



South
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First
Nazarene



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WELCOME!

February 5, 2023

ALABASTER AWARENESS MONTH

Our prayer is that you would discover and experience the love of God through Jesus Christ today!

We're so glad you worshiped with us today!

A staffed nursery is available during this morning's worship gathering.

Aid for the hearing impaired is available. Please see an usher for assistance.

Need Internet?

*SBFN Guest Password: **SBFNet10!***

THIS WEEK AT SBFN

Sunday

8-11:15 a.m.

8:00 a.m.

9:00 a.m.

10:15 a.m.

12:30 p.m.

Prayer Room is Open

Band & Singers Practice

S.S./Discipleship: Children, Youth, Adults

Morning Worship Gathering

Youth Quiz Practice

Tuesday

10:30 a.m.

Mommy & Me begins

Wednesday

All Day

12:00 p.m.

5:30 p.m.

6:00 p.m.

6:00 p.m.

Prayer & Fasting

Women's Sewing

Children's Bible Quizzing

Youth Group

Worship Team Rehearsal

Thursday

6:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

Women's Quilting

Men's Basketball

Saturday

Youth District Quiz Meet here

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Thank you for your faithful & generous giving!

Tithes & Offering

Received week of (1/29/23) \$6,243.21

Needed Weekly \$6,824.55

Average Giving YTD \$6,330.21

January Missional Giving

WEF \$1,677.07

Child Sponsorship \$30.00

World Mission Broadcast \$896.28

Church Building & Facilities

Mortgage Balance \$659,216.34

TODAY'S WORSHIP GATHERING

I Am Free

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENT/OFFERING

My Reward

Your Mercy

Fairest Lord Jesus

MORNING SERMON

"Get Wisdom: Though It Cost All You Have"

Proverbs: Chapter 1-4

Pastors Andy Lauer

LAST WEEK'S STATISTICS

Sunday a.m. Discipleship 98

Sunday a.m. Worship 132

Midweek Activities 60

On-Line Views 18

SBFN MINISTRY TEAM

Lead Pastor - Andy Lauer

Children's Pastor - Brenda El-Talabani

Youth Pastor - Christina Fischer

Worship Pastor - Rebekah Gilbert

Missions Director - Sue Harris

Office Administrator - Carole Snyder

****SBFN OFFICE HOURS****

Monday & Thursday: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS & INFORMATION

"GET WISDOM" - NEW SERMON SERIES

The Bible proclaims that we should get wisdom, though it cost us all we have (Prov. 4:7). However, wisdom is a commodity in short supply in our world today. Join us the next few weeks as we discover biblical wisdom with regards to important issues in our lives - relationships, speech, emotions, money, work, faith, and more. Bring a friend!

SBFN BULLETIN IS NOW ONLINE

As of today we have begun to print 1/2 the number of bulletins in order to help save money on ink and paper. For those who still wish to have a paper copy, there will be some available as you come in the church doors. We would like to encourage everyone that can to access a digital copy of the bulletin from our website: www.sbf naz.org. The link for the weekly bulletin is located under the "Sermons" tab where you find the videos for the sermon and the music. From your phone, you'll have to click "Open Menu" first in order to find the "Sermons" tab.



PICK UP YOUR ALABASTER BOX TODAY

Every year, the Church of the Nazarene receives a special offering called the Alabaster Offering. It's based on Luke 7:36-50 and speaks to offering something of precious value to the Lord. 100% of Alabaster offerings received go directly toward building churches, hospitals, orphanages, parsonages and other missional buildings around the world. You can participate in the Alabaster offering by collecting your change in the box provided or simply giving what God lays on your heart. These will be collected at a date later in the year.



ALL DAY PRAYER & FASTING EVERY WED.

Every Wednesday is now our "All Day Prayer & Fasting". This will take the place of our 24 Hour Prayer & Fasting on the 3rd Wednesday of each month. SBFN is dedicating **Wednesday's** as an "All Day Prayer & Fasting" day. So Pray & Fast as God directs you each Wednesday. Any special requests will be sent through email or put on the bulletin board by the door to the Patio.

MOMMY & ME BEGINS THIS TUESDAY

Our Mommy & Me Bible Study is a great time of studying the Bible together and building community and fellowship for moms of infants and school aged children. The Bible Study will run for 7 weeks and **begins this Tuesday, February 7th, at 10:30 a.m.**, and continue every Tuesday after that until Tuesday, March 21st. Contact Sarah Fischer at 574-549-0727 with questions.



LADIES EVENING OUT - This Thursday, Feb. 9th

This Thursday, February 9th the SBFN Ladies will meet at Heritage Meeting House located at 711 W. McKinley Ave., in Mishawaka from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. for a time of fellowship. The Heritage Meeting House is a unique meeting house. There's a café that serves local and fair trade coffees, as well as a shop featuring local artisan goods. If you have any questions or need directions please contact Darleen Minix (574-304-7014), or Barbie Lauer at (574-222-0640).



YOUTH DISTRICT QUIZ MEET THIS SATURDAY

This Saturday, February 11th the Youth will be having their first District Bible Quiz Meet right here at South Bend First. Parents, check with Pastor Christina about start times and when you need to be here so that your teen can be here on time. If you would like to volunteer in some way call the church office or see Pastor Christina Fischer.

MID - WEEK SERVICE - "COME TO THE WATER"

Our Mid - Week Services "**Come to the Water,**" will begin next Wednesday, February 15th. We will meet every Wednesday from 6 p.m. - 7 p.m. Rev. Louis Staubs will be doing the first weeks devotional. This is a great opportunity to invite a friend or family member who doesn't attend regularly.

SOUTH BEND CLASSIC QUIZ TOURNAMENT

The Annual South Bend Classic Bible Quiz is set to take place on **Saturday, February 18th**, and will be right here at SBFN. The tournament will cover Act 1-25. All awards will be presented at the end of the day. If you would like to help by donating dessert and salad items it would be greatly appreciated. Please see Sue Harris **TODAY** after the morning service. We would also love to have a SBFN cheering section, So make your plans to come and cheer us on!

Praise & Prayer

(If you would like a Praise or Prayer Request put on our list, or if you know in advance of a scheduled surgery or extended hospital stay, please let the church office know by filling out a blue Prayer Card and placing it in the offering plate. Please remember to keep us updated.)

ONGOING PRAYER CONCERNS:

- *Pray for the Gospel to continue to be spread throughout the world. Pray for the Lord's soon return.**
- *Pray for the Global Church to be faithful to God and His Word.**
- *Pray for Persecuted Christians, Missionaries, SBFN, our Church Staff, our Elected Leaders, our Courts, and our Country.**
- *Pray for Hannah's House, and other Crisis Pregnancy Centers that are helping mothers who keep their children from abortion.**
- *Pray for an end to legal abortion in the U.S.**
- *Pray for conflicts to end in Ukraine.**
- *Pray for U.S. Soldiers, Police, First Responders, and the families.**
- *Pray for those who have lost loved ones.**

SPECIFIC PRAYER CONCERNS: (New ones in bold)

***Bruce Thompson - UPDATE** - Surgery went well. Still recovering in the hospital. On 2/2 he had to have a blood transfusion due to low hemoglobin. Doctor says he may get to go home on Saturday (2/4). Please pray that he gets an all clear pathology report, and that he has a continued problem-free recovery.

***Cathie Radlein - UPDATE** - was scheduled for carpal tunnel surgery on 2/2. That had to be cancelled due to an ongoing infection that doctor's are controlling. The biopsy results from last week showed the diagnosis as Basal Cell Carcinoma. This is the least dangerous kind of skin cancer, so doctors are going to continue to watch it. Also, on her way to the doctor's appt. to get the results, she fell and hurt her shoulder. Please pray God's healing grace touches Cathie's body and also lifts her spirits.

***Staubs/Gilliam Family - UPDATE** - all had the flu. Jai'Lynn & Charlotte are much better. But Rev. Louis is still feeling quit weak. Prayers he feels better quickly.

***Daniel Little - UPDATE** - (Ruth Little's son) shoulder surgery on 1/1 was successful. Will start therapy soon.

***Ed Bateman - UPDATE** - the infection he had is gone, but he is still weak and completely bedridden. The bone pain is progressively getting worse. They say he is still watching the SBFN online services. Prayer's for God's mercy on Ed, and also that they can keep him comfortable. Please pray for Dawn as well, as she is Ed's caregiver & has health concern's of her own as well.

***Julie Brown** - had COVID recently, and is now experiencing some balance concerns. Which has caused her to fall a few times. She's also having an outpatient procedure done soon. She has asked for prayer that the outpatient procedure is successful, and that her balance issue is resolved soon.

***Jacob** - (Lisa Hite's nephew) will be having a heart ablation on 2/10. Pray everything goes well, and the ablation is successful.

***Hall Family** - (friends of the Correll's) passing of their cousin by suicide. Prayers for healing for the family.

***John** - (Christina Correll's Uncle) diagnosed with cancer. Prayers for his family, and for healing and strength.

SBFN INFORMATION

UPCOMING CHURCH ACTIVITIES

February

- 5 - New Sermon Series - "GET WISDOM"**
 - 7 - Mom & Me Group Begins (10:30am)**
 - 11 - Youth District Quiz Meet (@SBFN)**
 - 15 - Come to the Water Begins (6:00pm)**
 - 18 - Youth Classic Quiz @ SBFN**
 - 26 - SBFN Youth Worship Service**
- SBFN Church Board Elections**

March

- 4 - Celebrate Life & NYIcon @ Valpo. Nazarene**
- 10 & 11 - Youth Quiz Finals @ Lafayette Nazarene**
- 26 - Youth Family Roller Skate @ Galaxy Rink**

SBFN ONLINE GIVING IS AVAILABLE

You can give from anywhere using your desktop, laptop, or smart phone. You have options to make a one-time gift, or a recurring gift such as weekly, monthly, every two weeks, or twice a month. You can also link the online giving account to your bank account, or debit or credit card. From your smartphone camera, focus it on the QR Code provided on the front of this bulletin, and it will take you straight to the online giving website. From your laptop or desktop you can simply go to the online giving option on our church's webpage and sign up there. Go to: www.sbfnaz.org, choose About SBFN, Online Giving from the scroll down box, then proceed from there.



SCAN ME

SBFN WEBSITE

Have you visited the SBFN website since it has been redone? It's a great resource for you, your family, and your friends to discover more about our church, our beliefs, and what's going on weekly. You can find it at www.sbfnaz.org. Check it out, and share it with your family and friends.



Ed Bateman's Updated Address

Edwin Bateman
1301 Chestnut Hill Drive
Wylie, TX 75098

"Come to the Water"



"If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, "Give me a drink." You would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." John 4:10

**Mid-week worship sponsored by NMI &
Retired Ministers**
(Meet in Room WC102)

An opportunity to bask in God's Word,
Praise Him for his goodness, Commune in prayer,
and Fellowship.

Every Wednesday evening from 6pm – 7:15pm
Beginning February 15th – March 29th

3rd Wednesday is NMI Night

"Beyond the Church Walls"

A glimpse of what God is doing around the world.

And – Wednesday prayer and fasting!
Come and join us each Wednesday evening!