

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, Elected Leaders, 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 ([A.J. Braun](#)), Police, First Responders, and the families.
- *Pray for those who have lost loved ones.
- *Please pray for our newly elected General Superintendents as well as the rest of the Board.

SPECIFIC PRAYER CONCERNS: (New is in bold)

- ***Patty - PRAISE/UPDATE** - (David Kennel's sister) blood clots have been removed, and she is now home from the hospital. She started on her blood thinners, and all is going good. Praise the Lord!!
- ***Beth Nusbaum - UPDATE** - has esophageal cancer. Saw a specialist at Northwestern on 8/21, and is now waiting for a surgery date. Please continue to pray for her strength so she can continue to work as much as she can, and to be able to keep up with all her bills as well.
- ***Barb Motuelle** - had x-rays done on her back on 8/23. Doctors called on 8/25 to advise her she has a compression fracture on her T12 vertebra in her back. She will have an MRI done on 8/29 to determine the doctors next steps for her. Please continue to pray for some pain relief for her.
- ***Evelyn Lowrance** - has had the flu for several days, thinks she's getting better but sounds like she's not doing well. Her grandson Tim also has the flu. Please pray for a quick recovery for both of them and God's protection from further complications.
- ***Carole Snyder** - goes to see the endocrinologist in Indy again on 8/29. Prayers for good news this time on how things are going with her diabetes. Maybe even a hope of stopping some of her shots.
- ***Rick Burger Family** - (Marsha Gorbitz husband's nephew) passed away unexpectedly, he was in his early 50's. She is expecting more details on 8/21 with what happened.
- ***Kris Behr** - (Marsha Gorbitz friend from Washington) evacuated from her home last weekend due to fires in Spokane. She has been able to return home and is doing fine. Thankful also that her home was guarded from the fires and looters that were all over during the fires. Praise the Lord for answered prayers!!
- ***Gerry Wood** - (Janet (Dodd) Candler mom) has pancreatic cancer. Gerry & Janet believes that God can heal her. Janet ask's that we pray for the same healing.

SBFN INFORMATION

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, scan QR Code provided, 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 CONNECTION BOXES

We want to hear from you. In order to better do that, we have Connection boxes throughout the building. Please place your Connection Cards/Prayer Cards in these boxes.



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. Check it out at www.sbfnaz.org. Check it out, and share it with family and friends.



UPCOMING CHURCH ACTIVITIES

SEPTEMBER

- 6 - Mid-Week "Come to the Water" Bible Study Begins (7p.m.)
- 10 - Back to Church Day (9 a.m. - noon)
- 10 - SBFN Ministry Fair (after the morning Worship)
- 10 - Worship Team Picnic (1p.m. - 6 p.m.)
- 12 - Ladies Bible Study Begins (6:30 p.m.)
Church Board Meeting (6:30 p.m.)
- 13 - CM Quizzing begins (5:30 - 6:45 p.m.)
Missionaries Jordan & Rachel Thompson from Papua New Guinea here (6 p.m.)
- 16 - Team Safety Training Day here at SBFN (10 a.m. - noon)
- 16 - Youth & Family Bonfire @ the Williamsons (7 p.m. - 10 p.m.)
- 24 - Alabaster Sunday - Collection during the morning Worship

OCTOBER

- 13-15 - Youth District Fall Retreat: see website for sign - up and cost information.
- 22 - Children's Christmas Program Practice's Begin
- 29 - Youth & Family Harvest Festival (5 p.m. - 8 p.m.)

NOVEMBER

- 19 - Gratitude Sunday



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WELCOME!

August 27, 2023

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?

UPDATED SBFN Guest Password: **SBFNet!10**

TODAY'S WORSHIP GATHERING

All The Earth Will Sing Your Praises

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENT/OFFERING

God My Rock
Thank You Jesus For The Blood
Jesus Paid It All

MORNING SERMON

"Stay Tuned: When God Says 'No'"
2 Sam. 12:16-20; Isa. 46:9-11; Acts 16:6-10;
Rom. 8:28; 2 Cor. 12:7
Lead Pastor Andy Lauer

LAST WEEK'S STATISTICS

Sunday a.m. Discipleship	122
Sunday a.m. Worship	149
Midweek Activities	19
On-Line Views	17

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

THIS WEEK AT SBFN

Sunday

8-11:15 a.m.	Prayer Room is Open
8:00 a.m.	Band & Singers Practice
9:00 a.m.	S.S./Discipleship: Children, Youth, Adult & Foundations
10:15 a.m.	Morning Worship Gathering
11:30 a.m.	Connection Center Open
12:00 p.m.	Youth Quiz Practice begins

Wednesday

All Day	Prayer and Fasting
12:00 p.m.	Women's Sewing
6:00 p.m.	Youth Group
6:30 p.m.	Worship Team Rehearsal

Thursday

6:00 p.m.	Women's Quilting
7:00 p.m.	Men's Basketball

Next Sunday

8-11:15 a.m.	Prayer Room is Open
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Thank you for your faithful & generous giving!

Tithes & Offering

Received week of (8/20/23)	\$8,677.63
Needed Weekly	\$6,473.33
Average Giving YTD	\$6,823.43

July Missional Giving

WEF	\$1,644.08
Child Sponsorship	\$30.00

Church Building & Facilities

Mortgage Balance	\$624,285.01
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UPCOMING EVENTS & INFORMATION

VISIT THE CONNECTION CENTER TODAY!

In order to better connect with those who are relatively new to SBFN, we're inviting anyone who has started worshipping with us recently to visit our new Connection Center today after the morning Worship time in the lobby to meet and get to know the pastoral staff better. **There will be a few special gifts for you and an opportunity for you to choose a free discipleship resource. The Connection Center will be set up every 4th Sunday of each month.** Hope to meet you there after the service today!

"COME TO THE WATER": MID-WEEK WORSHIP

Need a mid-week spiritual recharge? Are you looking for more Christian fellowship? Do you enjoy singing, biblical teaching, prayer, and food? If so, mark your calendars now to join us for "Come to the Water" on Wednesday evenings beginning September 6th at 6 p.m. "Come to the Water" will meet each Wednesday through November 15th.



SBFN MINISTRY FAIR - Sunday, September 10th

Churches and their ministries are always changing and adapting, and sometimes it's hard to keep up with it all. Join us on Sunday, September 10th after the morning worship gathering to learn more about all the different ministries we have here at SBFN at our annual Ministries Fair. Discover the many different ways you, your family, and your friends can connect, grow, and serve here at SBFN. If you are a Leader, now is the time for you to start preparing your display boards for your ministry tables. If you have any questions please contact Pastor Andy here at the church at 574-272-6466.



LADIES SAVE THE DATES!!

Ladies, beginning Tuesday, September 12th through Tuesday, October 17th we will be meeting here at SBFN for a 6 - week Ladies' Bible Study. The study will be on Friendships of Women and we will meet in room FC106 (located right off the Gym). The Study will begin promptly at 6:30 p.m. All ladies, regardless of your age, are welcome. If you have any questions contact Barb Motuelle at 269-362-5567, or call the church office at 574-272-6466.



GIFT CARD SHOWER FOR MISSIONARIES

Jordan and Rachel Thompson, missionaries to Papua New Guinea, will be here on deputation and will be sharing with SBFN on Wednesday, September 13th at 6 p.m. In addition, the NMI Team would like to bless them

with a card shower to help with their traveling needs and expenses. If you would like to give, a box to collect the gift cards (food, gas, etc.) will be located in the lobby. Thank you for your generosity.

SBFNaz KIDZ QUIZZING - Wednesday, Sept. 13th

SBFNaz Kidz Bible Quizzing will begin on Wednesday, September 13th for children in 1st - 5th grad. We will start the evening out with some Gym time at 5:30 p.m. Followed by the Kick-Off our 2023 - 2024 Bible Quizzing year. Then beginning at 5:45 p.m. we will head upstairs and begin our first lesson for bible quizzing, we will then be dismissed at 6:45 p.m. due to it being a school night. Please remember if you haven't already pick up a calendar at the Children's Welcome Desk. If you have questions contact Pastor Brenda at 904-625-2121.



UPCOMING TEAM SAFETY TRAINING DAY

All church Teachers, Leaders, CERT, and Safety Team members, or anyone else who serves in any capacity here at SBFN! Please mark your calendars and plan to attend the "Team Safety Training Day" here on Saturday, September 16th from 10:00 a.m. - noon. The day will focus on several very important items. We will see how some of the new medical devices we have here at the church work, and we will also be focusing on the important aspects of church safety and security procedures. We need as many as possible to attend.

MANAGING MONEY WITH A BIBLICAL WORLDVIEW -

This 6-week class that begins September 17th, and will go through October 22nd, will help you understand **God's plan for personal money management.** It is designed with you in mind - whether your net worth is very low, very high, or somewhere in between. This class also will help you whether you're in the early stages of building a career or nearing retirement and beyond. Come and gain practical, biblical perspectives and advice, money - saving tips, and tax expertise with Janelle St. Clair, a certified Kingdom Advisor and financial planner with many years of experience. The class will begin at 9 a.m. in Room FC 101.



ATTENTION SBFN FAMILY: NEW OFFICE HOURS

To better accommodate the Church Staff, our Office Administrator, Carole Snyder, has changed her office hours. She will now be in the church office on the following days: **Monday: 8:30am - 4:30pm, Wednesday: 8:30am - 4:30pm, and Friday's: 8:30am - 12:30pm.** If you have any questions or need anything on the days Carole is not in the office call the church and leave a message and she will return your call the next day. If your message is urgent and can not wait for a return call please contact one of the pastors on their cell phone. If they don't answer please leave a message and when they are available they will return your call.