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 (<u>A.J. Braun</u>), 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)

*<u>Debbie Kish</u> - admitted again to the hospital for surgery on her ankle on 8/18. Doctors had to remove hardware in her ankle from an old injury she had from 2016. They believe that all her infections are coming from that hardware. She is recovering at St. Joseph Hospital. Prayers for complete healing are appreciated.

*Beth Nusbaum - has esophageal cancer. Her oncologist is referring her to Northwestern. There's a lot for Beth to figure out. She ask that we pray for her strength to continue to work as much as she can and to keep up with all the bills.

***Patty** - (David Kennel's sister) had surgery for a blood clot in her leg on 8/15. The surgery was successful in removing a great deal of the blockage. She should be released from the hospital later this week. She will be given blood thinners to take from her on out.

<u>*Mel Conard</u> - Has been transferred to Stevensville to begin rehab. on his hip. Please continue to prayer for a full recovery and quick healing.

*<u>Reggie Nicholson</u> - needing continued family, and relationships prayers.

*Julie Brown - continued prayers for her are appreciated as she is stil recovering from a major stroke. She is home but still rehabbing. *Ed Brown - serious heart concerns

*<u>Melanie Conn</u> - prayers for her, her marriage, her children, and prayers for her to be able to lay everything down at God's feet and trust that God can & will help her.

*<u>Tim</u> - (Evelyn Lowrance's great grandson) had surgery due to a recurring infection on his lower back. Please pray for a quick recovery and complete healing.

*<u>Toby Braun</u> - recovering from drug additions. Continued prayers are very much appreciated.

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,

SCAN ME and sign up there. Go to. www.sbfnaz.org, choose About SBFN, Online Giving from the scroll down box, then proceed from there.

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 <u>www.sbfnaz.org</u>. Check it out, and share it with family and friends.

UPCOMING CHURCH ACTIVITIES

AUGUST

Today: Youth Quiz Practices begins (noon - 3 p.m.) 23 - Youth Group begins (Wednesday's 6 - 8 p.m.) 26 - NWI Family Fun Day at Potato Creek State Park 27 - Youth Quiz Practices (noon - 3 p.m.)

SEPTEMBER

- 3 Youth Quiz Practices (noon 3 p.m.)
- 6 Mid-Week "Come to the Water" Bible Study Begins (7p.m.) Youth Group (6-8 p.m.)
- 9 Youth Quiz Meet @ Highland (time TBD)
- 10 SBFN Ministry Fair and Back to Church Day (9 a.m. noon 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.)
- Youth Group (6 p.m.)
- Mid-Week Bible Study (7 p.m.)
- 16 Team Safety Training Day here at SBFN (10 a.m. noon)
- **17** Youth Quiz Practices (noon 3 p.m.) **19** - Ladies Bible (6:30 p.m.)
- 20 All Wednesday Evening Activities
- 24 Alabaster Sunday











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WELCOME!

August 20, 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

We Praise You

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENT/OFFERING

At Your Name Cornerstone How Deep The Father's Love For Us

MORNING SERMON

"Stay Tuned: The Holy Spirit and the Word" 2 Kings 22:8-12; Psalm 1:1-3; John 16:13-14; 2 Timothy 3:16-17 Lead Pastor, Andy Lauer

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Sunday a.m. Discipleship Sunday a.m. Worship	
Midweek Activities On-Line Views	

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
12:00 p.m.	Youth Quiz Practice begins
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Wednesday All

12:00

All Day	Prayer and Fasting
2:00 p.m.	Women's Sewing
6:00 p.m.	Youth Group resumes
6:30 p.m.	Worship Team Rehearsal

Thursday

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

Saturday

10-11:00 a.m. NWI Family Fun Day at Potato Creek State Park

Next 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 Available 12:00 p.m. Youth Quiz Practice

****** Thank you for your faithful & generous giving!

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Received week of (8/13/23) Needed Weekly Average Giving YTD	\$5,618.31 \$6,473.33 \$6,746.17
July Missional Giving WEF Child Sponsorship	\$1,644.08 \$30.00

Church Building & Facilities

\$624.285.01 Mortgage Balance

UPCOMING EVENTS & INFORMATION

STAY TUNED: LISTENING FOR GOD'S VOICE

There are many voices vying for our attention in our lives, but the most important voice we can listen to is God's. Over the next two months we will discover how to tune out the voices that would distract us from hearing what God wants to say to us and instead how to tune in to God's voice of truth, guidance, strength, and hope. God still speaks to His followers todav!

CANDLE FOR A NEW LIVES!!

A Candle has been lit and placed on the communion table this morning to celebrate the 5 new lives that have been started with Jesus Christ as their personal Savior this past week.

YOUTH GROUP ACTIVITIES BEGIN TODAY

Beginning today and every Sunday thereafter our Youth will have quiz practice from 12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Remember to bring a sack lunch so you can eat before we



start practice. Then this coming Wednesday, August 23rd, the Youth Group will begin meeting again every Wednesday from 6 p.m.- 8 p.m. If you have questions about any of these activities please see Pastor Christina Fischer.

VISIT THE CONNECTION CENTER NEXT SUNDAY!

In order to better connect with those who are relatively new to SBFN, we're inviting anyone who has started worshiping with us recently to visit our new Connection Center next Sunday 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 next Sunday!

"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 MINISTRY 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 Gvm). The Study will begin promptly at 6:30 p.m. Save All ladies, regardless of your age, are the 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 6:00 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, September 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

guizzing, 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.

