## 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 shared 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 and other world areas. \*Pray for U.S. Soldiers, Police, First Responders, and families. \*Pray for those who have lost loved ones.

#### SPECIFIC PRAYER CONCERNS: (New is in bold)

\*Monica Rowdon's Grandma - has been placed in Hospice care (11/1). Monica will be staying with her overnights for the next few days. They expect that she will be passing soon. Pray for peace, comfort and an easy passing.

\*Kaylynn Davis - (Dan & Judie Ruffner's granddaughter) having a heart procedure done this week (11/7). They will be checking the electric impulses of the heart. The atrioventricular chamber that is supposed to slow down the heart is not doing its job. Her resting heart rate has been staying at around 160 which the cardiologist says is not good. After this surgery is complete she will then be scheduled to have heart surgery in Chicago by a heart specialist due to her age. Please pray for this procedure to have no issues, and the other surgery to get schedule as soon as possible.

\*Cheryl Milligan - has been diagnosed with Pulmonary Fibrosis and going on oxygen 24/7 for the rest of her life. She would like prayer for the miracle of healing and for her to be a good witness during this. \*Becky - (Ruth Little's friend) has been experiencing severe back pain from arthritis - bone on bone. She has a handicapped daughter, Jeanette, that she also raises who is now 45. Jeanette has seizures (she can't talk or walk and has a feeding tube). Jeanette's currently in 11 - Youth District Bible Quiz @ Kokomo the hospital again after two very bad seizures on 10/29. The Doctor's are unable to do anything to help her. Please pray for both Becky and | 12 - Video Operator's Class (12:15 p.m.) Jeanette.

\*Durand - UPDATE/PRAISE - (Monica Rowdon's uncle) lost feeling to his lower extremities due to a motor vehicle accident last month. The feeling have now returned, and he is now getting therapy to return his mobility.

\*Pete Thompson - UPDATE/PRAISE - Continued prayers for pain control & for the healing process to continue are appreciated. \*Howard - (Sue Kelly's brother) has prostate cancer, has just been told the cancer has spread to his spine as well. Prayers for healing

\*Sue Tyler - (Jim Gilbert's sister) in the hospital with fluid around her heart and lungs.

## 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.

#### **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 and share it at www.sbfnaz.org.

#### **QUICK VIEW OF UPCOMING ACTIVITIES**

#### **NOVEMBER - HAPPY THANKSGIVING**

- 10 Youth Group Quiz Practice
- 11 All Church Workday OUTSIDE WORK (9:00 a.m.)
- 12 SBFN Members Class joining the Church
- 14 SBFN Board Meeting (6:30 p.m.)
- 19 Gratitude Sunday
- 22 No Youth Group Enjoy Thanksgiving; HELP your parents get ready!!
- 23 Thanksgiving Day Office Closed
- 24 Office Closed

#### **DECEMBER**

11/30 - 12/3 - Youth - St. Louis All Star Bible Quiz

- 1 NMI @ Hannah's House
- 9 Youth Quiz @ SBFN
- 9 Children's Christmas Program practice/Party (10-2)
- 10 Intergenerational Christmas Program





South Bend **First** 







Nazarene Find us on Facebook Tithes and Offerings Connection Card

secretary@southbendfirst.org www.sbfnaz.org

## WELCOME!

## November 5, 2023

We're so glad you worshiped with us today! Our prayer is that you would experience God's love and truth through Jesus Christ!

- 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: SBFNet!10

#### TODAY'S WORSHIP GATHERING

Take You At Your Word

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS/OFFERING

Firm Foundation Build My Life When I Survey The Wondrous Cross

#### MESSAGE FROM GOD'S WORD

"It's Not Over - Until It's Over" 1 Samuel 4:1 - 5:11 Guest Pastor Ransom Ebersole

#### LAST WEEK'S STATISTICS

Sunday a.m. Discipleship	100
Sunday a.m. Worship	136
Midweek Activities	61
On-Line Views	36

#### 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

Su	nd	а	у	

8-11:15 a.m.	Prayer Room is Open
8:00 a.m.	Worship Team Rehearsal
9:00 a.m.	S.S./Discipleship: Children,
	Youth, & Adult
10:15 a.m.	Morning Worship Gathering
12:00 p.m.	Membership Class in Room FC107

#### Tuesday

6:00 p.m. Men's Ensemble Practice

#### Wednesday

All Day 9:00 a.m.	Prayer and Fasting Women's Sewing
5:30 p.m.	Mommy & Me
6:00 n m	Children's Quizzing

"Come to the Water" - Barbie Lauer WIRED Youth Group

Worship Team Rehearsal

6:30 p.m.

#### **Thursday**

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

#### **Friday**

6:00 p.m.	Youth Quiz Practice
Saturday	Youth Quiz @ Kokomo
9:00 a.m.	All Church "Fall Work Day"

#### **Next Sunday**

8-11:15 a.m.	Prayer Room is Open
8:00 a.m.	Worship Team Rehearsal
9:00 a.m.	S.S./Discipleship: Children,
	Youth, & Adult
10:15 a.m.	Morning Worship Gathering/
	New Members - Join SBFN

Thank you for your faithful & generous giving!

#### Tithes & Offering

Received week of Needed Weekly	(10/29/23)	\$6,398.31 \$6.473.33
Average Giving YTD		\$6,743.06

#### September Missional Giving

World Evangelism Fund	\$1,500.94
Child Sponsorship	\$30.00
Thompson Deputation	\$859.00
Alabaster Total	\$1,098.09

#### Church Building & Facilities

Mortgage Balance \$613.655.44

## <u>UPCOMING EVENTS &</u> INFORMATION

#### **CURRENT SERMON SERIES**

It doesn't take much for life to spiral out of control. A 2022 Gallup survey revealed that 1 in 3 people globally feel like their life is out of balance. A 2021 **Indeed.com** study found that 52% of Americans are experiencing burnout at work. Although ebbs and flows in life are normal, chaos is unnecessary: there is a way to experience balance and "peace that passes all understanding" (Phil. 4:7). Join us as we explore what God's word reveals about finding the balance God intends for us.

#### **DISCOVERING SBFN: MEMBERSHIP CLASS TODAY**

Membership is an exciting opportunity to become a part of all that God is doing through ministry here at SBFN. If you have ever thought about being a member here at SBFN now you have an opportunity to learn more during our "Discovering SBFN" membership class today after the morning worship gathering, from noon - 3:00 p.m., in room FC107 in the gym. If you've ever wanted to know more about the mission and ministry of SBFN.

this is your opportunity to do that and explore membership without having to make a commitment until vou're ready to do so. \*NO CHILDCARE PROVIDED\*

# MEMBERS CLASS

### **ALL CHURCH - FALL WORK DAY THIS SATURDAY**

Attention SBFN family there is a All Church - Fall Work Day planned for this Saturday, November 11th from 8:30 a.m. - noon. All projects will be outside. Our Building and Grounds Team is asking that if you have any outside vard tools such as rakes



and leaf blowers, please bring those along as well. As long as the weather permits we will be working outside so dress accordingly. Any questions you ATTENTION MIXED ENSEMBLE GROUP!! can contact Carole at the church or Mark Fowler at 574-612-4133.

#### CHURCH BOARD MEETING - Tuesday, Nov. 14th

On Tuesday, Nov. 14th is the next church board meeting at 6:30 p.m. Committee Leaders please have your reports in to the office by Monday, Nov. 13th at 2:30 p.m. If you have anything for the agenda, please turn that in to Pastor Andy by 10 a.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 14th. If you're unable to attend this meeting for ANY reason contact Pastor Andy PRIOR to this day.

#### **GRATITUDE SUNDAY - Sunday, November 19th**

On **Sunday, November 19th** during our morning worship gathering we will be taking a look back on the past year and offer thanks to our Heavenly Father. Psalm 9:1, says "I will give thanks to you. LORD, with all my heart; I will tell of all your



wonderful deeds." We encourage you to share your personal testimonies of God's goodness, and to give Him thanks. We will also have a special "Thanks Offering" as a way of blessing the Church and giving thanks to God.

#### ATTENTION SBFN FAMILY

Our Church Offices will be closed on Thanksgiving, Thursday, November 23rd, and Friday, November 24th for the Thanksgiving holiday. Please take this time to enjoy the holiday with your family and friends. Our Office will reopen on Monday, November 27th at 8:30 a.m. Happy Thanksgiving!!

#### I AM SECOND SUNDAY IS NEXT SUNDAY

We need your testimony to help change the lives of others for eternity! We can always use more people that are willing to share their testimony of salvation in Jesus. You can share live or pre-recorded. Please pray about this vital part of our ministry. If you feel led to share, please fill out a yellow connection card with your name, phone number, and please write "Second Sunday" on it. Or you can call the church office at 574-272-6466 and let Carole know and she will pass the message along to Pastor Andy. He will then reach

out to you to arrange a time that works best for you to share your testimony. Pastor Andy calls those interested to share in the order in which he receives the cards and messages. So don't get discouraged if you don't hear from him right away.



Attention member of the Mixed Ensemble Group. Practices will begin on Tuesday. November 7th at **6:00 p.m.** in the sanctuary. Practices will be an hour. If you have any questions see Pastor Christina Fischer.

#### WANT A CALL OR VISIT FROM A PASTOR?

If you'd like a call or to visit one of the pastors, fill out a yellow connection card with your information, and write which pastor you'd like to see. They will be happy to get in contact with you.