

WELCOME!
January 21, 2024

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.*

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TODAY'S WORSHIP GATHERING

God so Loved

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS/OFFERING

*No Turning Back
My Reward*

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

MESSAGE FROM GOD'S WORD

"Then and Now: Transformational Encounters with God, Skeptic to Evangelist"

Pastor Rebekah Gilbert

LAST WEEK'S STATISTICS

<i>Sunday a.m. Discipleship</i>	80
<i>Sunday a.m. Worship</i>	97
<i>Midweek Activities</i>	43
<i>On-Line Views</i>	16

SBFN MINISTRY TEAM

*Lead Pastor - Andy Lauer
Children's Pastor - Brenda El-Talabani
Worship Pastor - Rebekah Gilbert
NYI President - Megan Williamson
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. Worship Team Rehearsal
9:00 a.m. S.S./Discipleship: Children, Youth, & Adult
10:15 a.m. Morning Worship Gathering

Wednesday

All Day Prayer and Fasting
6:00 p.m. WIRED Youth Group
Beyond the Church Walls - Missionaries David & Erika Campos
6:30 p.m. Worship Team Rehearsal

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Thank you for your faithful & generous giving!

Tithes & Offering

<i>Received week of</i>	<i>(1/14/24)</i>	<i>\$7,139.26</i>
<i>Needed Weekly</i>		<i>\$6,473.33</i>
<i>Average Giving YTD</i>		<i>\$6,679.30</i>

December Missional Giving

<i>World Evangelism Fund</i>	<i>\$1,500.70</i>
<i>Child Sponsorship</i>	<i>\$30.00</i>

Church Building & Facilities

<i>Mortgage Balance</i>	<i>\$594,031.85</i>
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Chili Cookoff

<i>Raised for ARO Mission Trip</i>	<i>~\$950</i>
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UPCOMING EVENTS & INFORMATION

CURRENT SERMON SERIES

Join us the next several weeks for a sermon series titled, "Then and Now: Transformational Encounters with God." We will be looking at examples in the Bible of how God revolutionized the lives of lost and broken and sometimes prideful people and set them on a rich and rewarding life with Him. We will study to see what we can learn and apply to our lives as we seek to live for and honor God, experiencing all that He wants for us.

MISSIONARIES DAVID & ERIKA CAMPOS—NEW INFO

David and Erika Campos are missionaries serving in Guyana, the Caribbean Field in the Mesoamerica Region. They will be sharing their experiences at SBFN on Wednesday, January 24th. **There will be a potluck dinner during the meeting in the Youth Room. A turkey is provided, but we need folks to sign up to bring vegetables and casseroles to share. The youth are doing desserts. Please stop by and sign up at the sign up sheet in the lobby or speak directly with Dixie Galbraith.**

SBFNaz KIDZ QUIZZING - Wednesday, January 24th

SBFNaz Kidz Bible Quizzing will begin again on Wednesday, January 24th. This is for children in 1st - 5th grade. We will start the evening out with some gym time at 5:30 p.m., dismissing at 6:30 p.m. Please remember to pick up a calendar at the Children's Welcome Desk. If you have questions see Pastor Brenda El-Talabani.

MENS' BREAKFAST - Saturday, January 27th

Men, plan now to join us on Saturday morning, January 27th at 9 a.m. at Copper Creek Café in Granger for our men's breakfast. **If you plan to join us please stop by the table in the foyer and sign up so we can get an idea of how many to expect.** This will be a great time of food and fellowship and also an opportunity for us to discuss a future men's Bible study on Wednesday evenings as well as other future events. We hope to see you there!

DISTRICT CELEBRATE LIFE - March 2nd

Students in grades 7th - 12th are encouraged to attend the District Celebrate Life on March 2nd at Valparaiso Nazarene CotN. The District Celebrate Life event allows students to showcase a specific talent that they have, and/or they can participate in an athletic event of their choosing with other students from our District. Registration is now open and is completely online. To register go to: nwinny.org/celebratelife and register now. See Megan Williamson if you have any questions.

THE PRAYER CHAIN NEEDS YOUR HELP!

SBFN has a prayer chain that is used for urgent prayer requests from our church family, extended family members, and friends. We've designed it so that we can immediately begin praying together for urgent requests that can't wait for the next day. The Prayer Chain is comprised of both men and women here at SBFN who are committed to lifting up the needs of others in prayer when they get the call/text. If you ever have an urgent need that arises, and you'd like the prayer chain activated, call or text Carolyne Wallace at [574-850-3555](tel:574-850-3555). **We are also actively looking for SBFN volunteers who may be interested in participating in the prayer chain, lifting up these needs to the Lord.** It doesn't take up a lot of your time. You just need to agree to receive a call/text from Carolyne and pray for that request. Then afterward, make calls/texts to a few (4-5) people on your list, and pass on the request, so they are able to pray as well. Please pray and ask God if He might lead you into this vital ministry. If you feel led to join, contact the church office or Carolyne Wallace directly. Carolyne will get you set up. Thank you for your willingness to pray!

WELCOME TEAM - SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

At SBFN, we believe strongly in the importance of welcoming the guests God sends our way. We have some great opportunities for you to help with that each week from being a greeter at the door, helping at the Welcome Center., or keeping attendance. It doesn't take much time but could make an eternity's difference. If you would say "Yes! I want to welcome others in Jesus' name!" please fill out a yellow connection card, write **Welcome** on it, and turn it in today, or contact Sandy Williams at 574-532-2438.

MEDIA TEAM - SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

The worship team is a vital part of ministry to the body of believers here at SBFN. We are seeking individuals to serve on our media team (sound, video, and media). Training is included and the time commitment is about once per month. **We especially need help with the sound board.** Help us lead our Christian family in worship of the Lord! See Pastor Rebekah for more info.

CHILI COOK-OFF

The NMI team wants to thank everyone who participated in the chili cook off fundraising event last Sunday. We raised approximately \$950 to be used toward the Work and Witness trip in July to Appalachia Reach Out. **It's not too late to sign up to participate in this trip to Martin County, Kentucky, (dates).** See Sue Harris for details.

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.

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)

- ***Dick Hesser** - (Darleen Minix's father) diagnosed with fast growing liver cancer.
- ***Charles** - (Nancy Mills's brother) Praise that he indicated that he has accepted Christ as his Savior. Prayer for his health which continues to deteriorate.
- Maxine* - (Jim Gilbert's sister) has been admitted to the hospital with multiple health concerns. She is currently intubated and unconscious.
- ***Melanie Conn** - Please pray for her husband Stephen that God to reach out to him and bring him to a point of wanting a relationship with Him. Pray he would want to start coming to church with Melanie and the kids. Pray also for peace of mind for all the concerns and questions Melanie is having with her own faith as well.
- ***Marla** - (Adelaide Blume's sister) - prayer for her sister that is dealing with a broken neck.
- ***Tracy** - (Bill Paulus's daughter-in-law) she has been having issues with a fast heart rate and anxiety, and has been in the hospital the past couple days. She is home now, but the doctors were unable to determine what was wrong and why she has the fast heart rate and anxiety.
- ***Cathie Radlein** - **UPDATE** - Praise, she did not have a heart attack. Please pray for healing as she recovers from heart concerns.
- ***Reggie Nicholson** - request prayer because people at his place of employment are not being accepting of him changing his life around and he doesn't want for people to hate him for his changed life.
- ***Joe Wisniewski** - (customer of Darlyne Tingle's at the ND bookstore) he's requested a few prayer request. Joe's son in law, Mike is waiting on a kidney transplant. Then 2 of his granddaughters, Collin who is 6 has been diagnosed with Type 1 diabetes, and Hailey who's 9 has been diagnosed with epilepsy. Prayers are appreciated.
- ***Darlyne & Carolyne's Family** - their cousin Ruth & husband David's 36 yr old son passed way unexpectedly . The autopsy results will be back in about 2 weeks. Please pray for the family as they wait for answer and learn to cope with this unexpected loss.

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.



A QUICK VIEW OF UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

January

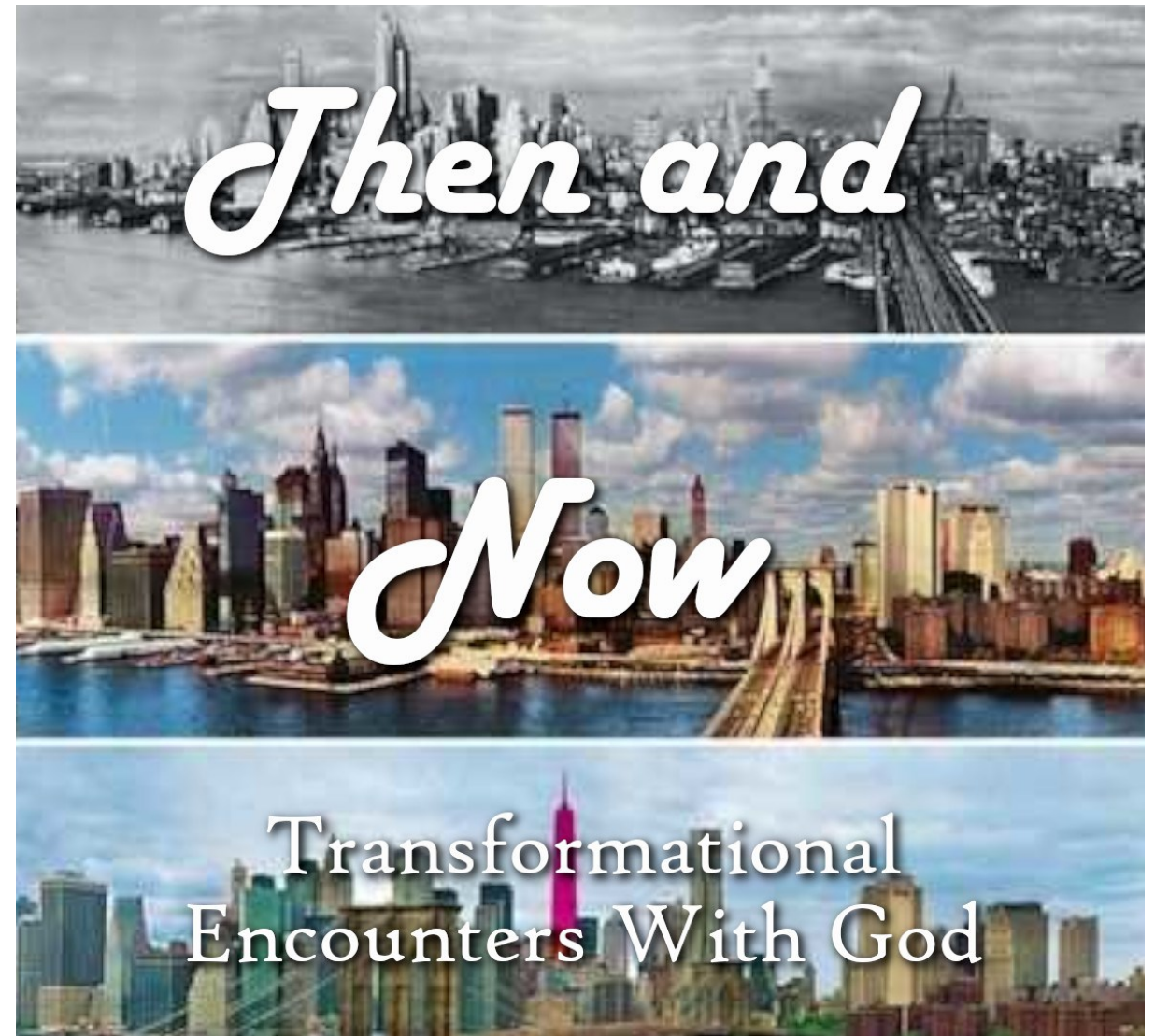
- 24 - Campos Missionaries coming (6p.m.)
- 24 - Children's Bible Quizzing will begin again (5:30p.m. - 6:30p.m.)
- 27 - Men's Breakfast (9:00 a.m.)

February - Election Month

- 13 - Church Board Meeting (6:30p.m.)
- 24 - Parents' Night Out (4p.m. - 7:30p.m.)
- 25 - Church Delegate and Board Elections

March

- 2 - District Celebrate Life for youth



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