WELCOME! February 25, 2024 YOUTH SUNDAY

Sunday

8-11:15 a.m.

8:00 a.m.

9:00 a.m.

10:15 a.m.

11:30 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

All Day

5:30 p.m.

6:00 p.m.

6:30 p.m.

Wednesday

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:

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TODAY'S WORSHIP GATHERING

I Thank God

Office Administrator - Carole Snvder

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS/OFFERING Because Of Your Love Who You Say I Am		Thursday 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	6:00 p.m. Quilting Group	
Come Thou Fount MESSAGE FROM GOD'S WORD "Then and Now: Transformational Encounters with God: Lost & Found" Acts 10:1-43; Luke 23:39-43; Hebrews 11:31 Lead Pastor, Andy Lauer COMMUNION		Saturday Next Sunday 8-11:15 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:15 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	World Day of Prayer / Youth District Celebrate Life Prayer Room is Open Worship Team Rehearsal S.S./Discipleship: Children, Youth, & Adult Morning Worship Gathering Youth Quiz Practice for	
LAST WEEK'S STATISTICS Sunday a.m. Discipleship 94		Thank you for your faithful & generous giving!		
Sunday a.m. Discipleship Sunday a.m. Worship Midweek Activities On-Line Views	136 49 13	Tithes & Offering Received week of Needed Weekly Average Giving YTD	(2/18/24)	\$4,983.90 \$6,473.33 \$6,860.75
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		January Missional Giving World Evangelism Fund Child Sponsorship Church Building & Facilities Mortgage Balance		\$2,044.91 \$30.00 \$590,212.70

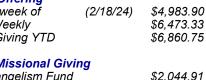
THIS WEEK AT SBFN **Global Week of Prayer** Annual Leadership Election Prayer Room is Open Worship Team Rehearsal S.S./Discipleship: Children, Youth, & Adult Morning Worship Gathering / Annual Leadership Elections Youth Quiz Practice

Prayer and Fasting Ladies Crafts Children's Quizzing WIRED Youth Group Come to the Water - Rev. Louis Staubs

Worship Team Rehearsal

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UPCOMING EVENTS & INFORMATION

DO YOU REALLY KNOW HIM? **NEW SERMON SERIES STARTS NEXT WEEK**

Beginning next Sunday, pastor Andy will be leading us through the Bible to help us answer the question, "Do you really know Him?" From March 3rd through Easter Sunday, we'll discover a fuller picture of just who Jesus Christ is and what that means for us and our world. Be sure to invite someone to come and hear the Good News!

ANNUAL LEADERSHIP ELECTION TODAY!

If you are a SBFN Member and are at least 15 years old we will be having our Annual Leadership Election today during our morning worship hour. We encourage all SBFN MEMBERS to vote on this year's upcoming delegates OTE for District Assembly and also for our new Church Board members.

GLOBAL WEEK OF PRAYER IS Feb. 26th - March 2nd Sunday, February 25th - March 2nd is our NMI Global Week of Prayer. Take a few moments that week to go to the NMI website (www.nazarene.org), click the bar marked "Areas of Impact" in the drop down menu, click "Prayer", scroll to the middle of that page, and you will see



the daily focus'. Please pray for those needs during that week. Then, Friday, March 2nd is our World Day of Praver. If you can't find any of this information call the church office (574-272-6466) and Carole will be able to help you.

FEBRUARY NMI REMINDER - ALABASTER BOXES

Our Alabaster offering happens once a year and supports the building of churches, orphanages, hospitals and more around the world. The offering takes place in the fall, and we encourage you to pick up a box at the Alabaster display in the lobby to use to collect your loose change until then. Thank you for supporting missionary 100 work through this special offering.

WOMEN'S TOPICAL STUDY - BEGINS MARCH 6th

Beginning on Wednesday evenings, March 6th, at 6 p.m. SBFN women will be holding a topical study led by a team of women which will be based on the Bible and each individual leader's area of expertise. If you are interested please fill out a yellow connection card and write Women's Study on it and turn it in today so we can begin planning for how many we'll have. We hope to see you there!

"COME TO THE WATER": MID - WEEK WORSHIP

This weeks "Come to the Water" Mid - Week Worship Services will begin at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, February 22nd. The Service will be lead by Bill Walsh.

THE FORGE - SBFN MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

On Wednesday, March 6th, a new men's Bible study will begin at 6 p.m. All men are invited to join us as we explore from a biblical perspective the issues men face. Over 20 men are signed up already. If you're interested, please see Curt Hunt or Rick El-Talabani or fill out a vellow Connection Card and write "The Forge" on it and turn it in. Cost for books is \$10 per person. "As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another" (Proverbs 27:10)

CHILDREN'S BIBLE GAMES & FUN ACTIVITIES

Children's Bible Games & Fun Activities is for ages 5th grade and younger. It will begin on Wednesday, March 6th - Wednesday, May 29th from 6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. This session's Bible study will be "Animals of the Bible". Please register your children at the children's welcome desk. This is so we can plan the group activities according to ages of children attending. Parent's we hope

that you will attend one of the Bible Studies that are being offered on Wednesday evenings while your children are making new friends, studying the Bible and enjoying fun activities. Contact Pastor Brenda (904-625-2121) if you have questions.



"I AM N" A VIRTUAL EVENT - Friday, March 8th

The NMI presents "I am n," a Virtual Event, on Friday, March 8th from Voice of the Martyrs, featuring worship led by Steven Curtis Chapman and testimonies of those imprisoned in Afghanistan and Sudan. Broadcast begins at 7:20 p.m. (in Sanctuary) hosted by Darilyne Tingle.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS MARCH 10th

Remember that very early Sunday morning, March 10th, Daylight Savings Time Begins. So before you go to bed on Saturday evening, MOVE YOUR CLOCKS AHEAD 1 HOUR. You will unfortunately lose an hour of sleep, but vou can look at the bright side and say it will now start staying lighter longer at night.

EASTER WEEK EVENTS

Mark your calendars now and plan to join us for Easter at SBFN. It begins with the new sermon series next week on the person and work of Jesus, titled "Do You Really Know Him?" Then, on Palm Sunday, March 24th, we will have the children's Palm Branch March and Easter Egg "Extravaganza." Our Good Friday service will be on March 29th. Then on Easter Sunday morning we will begin with our annual Easter Brunch at

9:30 a.m. followed by our Easter Celebration, with joyous praise music and an evangelistic message by pastor Andy. More information will be coming in the following weeks.



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 an end to conflict and wars around the world. *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)

*Marylou Marley - (Mark Marley's mom, Carole Snyder's brother-inlaw) - she was put on life support unexpectedly early Wednesday morning. All 4 of her children discussed it, knew her, and knew she was ready to go and be with the Lord if it was her time. So they removed her from the life support and she passed peacefully with her daughter beside her. They are thankful to know that Marilou was a believer and she is in heaven with the Lord today, along with her amazing husband Ralph, celebrating today.

*Bud Williams - UPDATE - (David Williams Father) a recent scan showed a mass on Bud's neck. He will have a biopsy tomorrow (2/26) at the ENT specialist in Madison, WI. At the VA hospital. Prayers are appreciated for Bud and the family to have peace and patience as they wait for results. Also, prayers for traveling mercy for David as he travels to be with his Dad.

*David Bullard - (Sandy & David Williams' neighbor) has brain cancer, and just entered Hospice. He knows the Lord. Please pray for the Lord's Mercy and Grace. Along with strength for his wife Julie as she walks this path of letting go.

*<u>Dana Keeton's Mom - UPDATE</u> - is in the hospital with Kidney failure & her lungs are filling up with fluid. <u>UPDATE</u> - Prayers are working. Although she's still pretty sick, she's getting up and doing a few exercises during the day and the fluid is starting to drain from her lungs. Please keep praving everyone. Thank you all!

*Cockrum Family - (Family from the Watkin's St. Joseph church) Kevin & Marissa's 10 year old daughter Lanie had surgery to remove some infection & fluid from on the bone of her skull. Surgery went well, and all the infection & fluid was removed and sent off for further testing. There appears to be no brain damage at this time. There is although a blood clot that they are trying to treat with blood thinners and rest. The family would appreciate all the prayers they can get for Lanie right now as they wait on results and healing.

<u>*Fischer Family</u> - Please pray they get settled in to their new church family, and for Shane to find a place to serve. Also, prayers for Sam to settle on his future plans, and for Ben's upcoming graduation.

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 tithe such as weekly, monthly, 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 the QR Code provided, and it will take you straight to the online giving website. From your

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SBFN CONNECTION BOXES

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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 <u>www.sbfnaz.org</u>.

A QUICK VIEW OF UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

FEBRUARY - Alabaster Emphasis

- **25** Church Elections (during morning worship) and Youth Sunday
- 26 3/2 Global Week of Prayer

MARCH - Crisis Care Kits Emphasis

- 2 Youth District Celebrate Life
- 6 Men's & Women's Bible Study (6 p.m.)
- CM Bible Games & Fun Activities (6p.m. 7:30 p.m., Infants - 5th grade are welcome)
- 8 & 9 Youth Quiz Final in Lafayette
- **10** Daylight Savings Time Begins
- 24 Children's Palm Branch March (10:15 a.m.) Easter Egg Scavenger Hunt (11:30 a.m.)
- **29** Tenebrae Service (7 p.m.)
- **31** Easter Brunch (9:30 a.m.) Easter Service (10:15 a.m.)



Transformational Encounters With God









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