

WELCOME!

August 18, 2024

**We're so glad you worshiped with us today!
Our prayer is that you would know and embrace
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

Who You Say I Am

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS/ OFFERING

Goodness Of God
Build My Life
My Jesus I Love Thee

MESSAGE FROM GOD'S WORD
Letters for Tough Times: 1 & 2 Peter
1 Peter 1:1-12
Lead Pastor, Andy Lauer

LAST WEEK'S STATISTICS

Sunday A.M. Discipleship	103
Sunday A.M. Worship	151
Midweek Activities	45
On-Line Views	17

SBFN MINISTRY TEAM

Lead Pastor - Andy Lauer
Children's Pastor - Brenda El-Talabani
Worship Pastor - Rebekah Gilbert
Missions Director - Sue Harris
Office Administrator - Carole Snyder
(Office Hours: Monday & Wednesday: 8:30-4:30, Friday: 8:30-Noon)

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
11:00 a.m. Ladies' Crafts
6:00 p.m. Worship Practice

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Youth, & Adult
10:15 a.m. Morning Worship Gathering
11:30 a.m. Connection Center Available

Thank you for your faithful & generous giving!

Tithes & Offering

Received week of	(8/11/24)	\$6,464.43
Needed Weekly		\$6,765.85
Average Giving YTD		\$7,560.64

July Missional Giving

World Evangelism Fund	\$1,746.61
Child Sponsorship	\$30.00

Church Building & Facilities

Mortgage Balance	\$548,761.66
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UPCOMING EVENTS & INFORMATION

VISIT THE CONNECTION CENTER NEXT SUNDAY

In order to better connect with those who are relatively new here at SBFN, we're inviting anyone who has started worshipping with us recently to visit our Connection Center in the lobby next Sunday, August 25th after the Sunday morning worship gathering so you can meet and get to know the pastoral staff better. There will also 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.** We hope to see you there!

ALL WEDNESDAY ACTIVITIES WILL RESUME ON 9/11 ATTENTION TO ALL SBFN FAMILIES...

Beginning Wednesday, September 11th, at 6:00 p.m. all the Wednesday evening activities will begin again and they will run through Wednesday, November 20th. Here are the list of Activities that will begin on September 11th so far. Children's Bible Time for ages 3 years - kindergarten, Students grades 1st - 5th you will be Jr. Assistants - you will be learning how to serve here at the church, and the Toddler's will have care provided for them during this time as well, but there will be NO nursery care provided at all during this time. Our Youth will have WIRED - Youth Group, and our older Adults will begin "Come to the Waters" meetings again. We don't have anything scheduled right now for any Men's or Women's Study Groups yet. If you have any questions please contact the church office 574-272-6466 we will try and answer your questions.



SBFN MINISTRIES FAIR - Sunday, September 8th

If you lead a ministry at SBFN, this is a reminder about the annual Ministries Fair coming up on Sunday, September 8th. Take your photos, encourage volunteers - begin planning now how you will advertise your ministry at the Ministry Fair so that others can learn about it and join you!



BACK TO CHURCH SUNDAY - Sunday, Sept., 8th

On Sunday, September 8th we have a special Sunday planned here at SBFN. Plan to invite your friends and family to join you in worship, or reach out to those you haven't seen for a while and invite them "Back to Church!" There are several things planned for this day. First we will all enjoy some coffee and donuts, then we will hear a special sermon prepared by Lead Pastor Andy Lauer, and then a personal testimony will be shared by one of our SBFN family members. After the worship gathering everyone can enjoy a fun walk around the foyer to see all the exciting ministries available here at SBFN as we enjoy

our annual SBFN Ministries Fair. So start inviting your friends and family, and be ready to bring them "BACK TO CHURCH!"

ALABASTER'S 75th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

This year's Alabaster Celebration will be on Sunday, September 29th during the Morning Worship hour. We plan to have everyone bring their alabaster boxes to church and we will do our Annual Alabaster March to put our loose change in the Large Alabaster Box at the front of the sanctuary. Our hope is that you have already started filling these alabaster boxes with your loose change. If not start now and be ready to march with your children. If you have a full box and need another one just see one of the NMI team members; they will be glad to get that for you. What is Alabaster Offering, you ask? Alabaster Offerings are monetary donations that go directly to the construction of ministry facilities across the globe - such as hospitals, schools, orphanages, and churches. **The existing missions structure allows for 100% to be used in the projects that are started by missionaries and by local church congregations.**



PARENTS' DAY OUT - Saturday, September 23rd

Parents' Day Out is Saturday, September 23rd from 4 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. This is for families that have infants - 5th graders. The hope is that this will allow you a few hours of time to spend together or maybe getting some needed errands done kid(s)-free. We do ask families that participate in this kids day out to also schedule to help with a kids day out childcare time as well. The schedule is on a rotating basis with all participating families. Additionally, to participate, parents need to fill out some paperwork prior to your first time participating. Any questions see Karen Greer.



SBFN REMINDER: OUR BULLETINS ARE ONLINE

This is just a reminder that we are only printing 1/2 the number of bulletins as we used to print in order to try and help save money on ink and paper costs. For those who still wish to have a paper copy, there will still be a small amount available as you come in the church doors Sunday morning. We do encourage everyone that is able to try and access the bulletin on their digital device to have a copy of the bulletin from our updated church website: www.sbfnaz.org. The link for the weekly bulletin is located under the "Sermons" tab. You'll find the videos for the sermon and the music there as well by the next day. The bulletin will be there before the service begins. From your phone, you'll have to click "Open Menu" first in order to find the "Sermons" tab. If you need help see one of the staff members or ask a friend someone will be able to show you how to access it on your digital device.

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 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)

***Sue Harris - UPDATE** - Home and doing well. She appreciates the prayers during this transition.

***Kevin Zigler - UPDATE** - started dialysis a few weeks ago during the night while he sleeps. Feels good about this process. Please continue to pray for him he appreciates it.

***Darilyne Tingle - UPDATE** - was admitted to St. Joe Hosp. on 7/26 with really bad vertigo, then released on 7/27. Dr. diagnosed her with Benign Positional Vertigo, and sent her home with exercises to help her, and she will be set up with PT to also help.

***Cherie Thompson - UPDATE** - tests confirm she did have a stroke sometime in early July. Dr. has put her on some medicine to try and prevent any more strokes. They have also requested more tests be done in hopes to be able to determine the a cause of her stroke. Continued prayers for Cherie, Pete, and the family are appreciated.

***Jim Gilbert - UPDATE** - Feeling much better and received promising reports from his cardiologist. Thank you for your prayers!

***Visal & Marie Cole - PRAISE/PRAYER** - a vehicle has been purchased & shipped to Nigeria, all costs were paid by our generous deputation offerings here in the U.S. PRAISE THE LORD!! Continued prayers that the final donations will arrive to pay the \$4250 in custom fees. Thank you for all your prayers and generosity!

***JoEllen Meuninck** - had her appendix removed 7/24, home and recovering now.

***Cathie Radlein** - unspoken prayer requests.

***Remington/Staub's Family** - continued prayers for the family as they remember their daughter.

***Tom Bucher - UPDATE** - (Scott Snyder's Uncle) passed away on 7/21. Prayers for the family are appreciated during this difficult time.

***Sue Kelly** - health concerns, prayers they will get better as they are keeping her from being able to come to church regularly.

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 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 and share it at www.sbfnaz.org.

A QUICK VIEW OF UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

AUGUST

- 19 - Monday Home School Group is back in session here at SBFN from 8/19/24 - 5/5/24.
- 22 - Thursday Home School Group is back in session here at SBFN from 8/19/24 - 5/1/24.
- 22 - Men's Basketball / Ladies Quilting (6:30 p.m.)
- 23 - Hannah's House BBQ (TBD-see a NMI Team member)
- 29 - Men's Basketball / Ladies Quilting (6:30 p.m.)

SEPTEMBER

- 2 - Labor Day - **Office Closed**
- 5 - Men's Basketball / Ladies Quilting (6:30 p.m.)
- 8 - Back-To-Church Sunday (10:15 a.m.)
Ministry Fair (after 10:15 a.m. Worship gathering)
- 10 - Church Board Meeting (6:30 p.m.)
- 11 - All Wednesday Evening Activities begin & run thru 11/20/24
- 12 - Men's Basketball / Ladies Quilting (6:30 p.m.)
- 28 - Parents' Night Out (4 p.m.)
- 29 - Alabaster's 75th Anniversary Celebration (10:15 a.m.)

October

- 5 - CM Touch - A - Truck (10 a.m.)



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