

# WELCOME!

## January 19, 2025

**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.

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### TODAY'S WORSHIP GATHERING

*Our God Saves*

### WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS/OFFERING

*Holy Is The Lord  
Graves Into Gardens  
From The Rising Of The Sun*

### MESSAGE FROM GOD'S WORD

"The Difficult Journey of Faith:  
Abraham Intercedes"  
Genesis 13; 18:16-33; 19:1-29  
Lead Pastor, Andy Lauer

### LAST WEEK'S STATISTICS

Sunday A.M. Discipleship	91
Sunday A.M. Worship	130
Midweek Activities	30
On-Line Views	14

### SBFN MINISTRY TEAM

Lead Pastor - Andy Lauer  
Children's Pastor - Brenda El-Talabani  
Worship Pastor - Rebekah Gilbert  
Outreach Pastor - Dee Neal  
Missions Director - Sue Harris

### THIS WEEK AT SBFN

Today	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 & Adults
	10:15 a.m.	Morning Worship Gathering
	11:30 a.m.	Annual Chili Cook - Off
Wednesday	6:00 p.m.	Youth WIRED Come to the Water - Leader Carolyn Wallace Worship Team Rehearsal
Thursday	6:30 p.m.	Quilting
	7:00 p.m.	Men's Basketball
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**Thank you for your faithful & generous giving!**

#### **Tithes & Offering**

Received week of	(1/12/25)	\$5,112.02
Needed Weekly		\$6,765.85
Average Giving YTD		\$7,549.62

#### **December Missional Giving**

World Evangelism Fund	\$1,926.99
Child Sponsorship	\$30.00

#### **Church Building & Facilities**

Mortgage Balance	\$524,630.45
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## UPCOMING EVENTS & INFORMATION

### SBFN NMI ANNUAL CHILI COOK-OFF TODAY

**TODAY IS THE DAY!** Following the morning worship gathering today we will be having our Annual NMI Chili Cook-off. All the proceeds collected will support the Nazarene World Missions Broadcast. We have several cooks that have put their families favorite chili recipes together and are vying for the top 3 **"Taster's Choice"** awards. **If you pre - ordered you meals remember you have access through the Express Lane today.** If you haven't pre-paid that is okay as well...just come get a menu, put your family's order on the one menu, get in line, and pay. The lines will go quickly and everyone will be eating before you know it. Please note we do have special items on the menus for your kids that don't care for chili. We hope you remembered that extra cash so you can vote on your favorite CHILI as well. Because when we are done eating, we will be seeing who won the trophy for **BEST CHILI** this year.



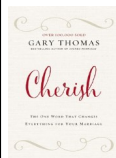
### "FORGOTTEN GOD" WITH FRANCIS CHAN

The HALO ABF class is beginning a new study by Francis Chan called "Forgotten God" during The 9 a.m. Sunday School hour. **Anyone is welcome to come and join the study beginning at 9 a.m. in room FC101.** This series seeks to reverse our neglect of the Holy Spirit by exposing the enormous gap between what Scripture says about the Spirit and how most believers and churches operate today. Through solid scriptural support and compelling narrative, Chan reveals the Holy Spirit as the Bible describes Him. His goal isn't merely to educate readers - it's to infuse reader's lives with the presence of the Holy Spirit in profound ways.



### "CHERISH" WITH GARY THOMAS

The Crusaders for Truth Sunday School class will be studying a new series on marriage and invites anyone who would like to join them at 9 a.m. in room FC107. Most marriages survive by gritting teeth and holding on. But what if surviving marriage wasn't the goal? What if we aimed to thrive instead? In *Cherish*, Thomas teaches us that cherishing your spouse will elevate your marriage relationally, emotionally, spiritually, and even physically. You will set different goals for your relationship, and you'll see your marriage with fresh eyes. Through the biblical act of cherishing, we can empower our spouses to become who they are called by God to be, and in the process to become more of who we are called to be, creating a



marriage that feels more precious, more connected, and more satisfying. If you're ready to revolutionize your relationship, it's time to learn how to truly Cherish it.

### 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, September 22nd 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 is set up every 4th Sunday of each month.** We hope to see you there!



### "THE TRUTH PROJECT" STARTING IN FEBRUARY

One of the best ways to strengthen your faith against the deception of the Enemy is to have a clear understanding of what you believe and why. **Beginning Wednesday, February 5th and each Wednesday through Spring**, you're invited to be a part of "The Truth Project". "The Truth Project" is a ground - breaking small group curriculum on the biblical worldview; it will help you look at all of life from a truly biblical perspective. You absolutely will want to be a part of this event. Many other churches who have begun through this series have asked to do it again. Make your plans now to join us Wednesdays starting in February!



### "COME TO THE WATER": MID - WEEK WORSHIP

"Come to the Water" Mid - Week Worship services have begun meeting again on Wednesdays for the month of January, and will begin at 6 p.m. Then beginning in February the "Come to the Water" group will join with "The Truth Project" small group for the remainder of the winter and spring time! If this group has any question please see Sue Harris.

### PARENTS' NIGHT OUT - Saturday, February 8th

On Saturday, February 8th from 4 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. here at SBFN is the next Parents' Night Out. This is for families with children between the ages of infant - 5th grade. We need each participating parent to fill out some necessary paperwork before attending the first Parents' Night Out. Please see Karen Greer for all the necessary paperwork. Reminder that paperwork MUST be filled out PRIOR to your children first time coming. Karen has started a Facebook Events page for parents to visit and mark whether your children will be attending that month's Parents' Night Out. You must sign up your child for Parents' Night Out. Any questions contact Karen Greer at 419-604-0031.





## 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)

- \***Bud Williams - UPDATE** - (David Williams' Dad) Hospice care will continue at home at Bud's wishes. Hospital bed being delivered to his home to aid in his care as he is bedridden at this point. He is weak and not eating or drinking much but is still quite sharp-minded. We have been told he has begun his decline and a matter of just keeping him comfortable at this time. Continued prayers appreciated for all.
- \***Ray** - (Charlotte Staubs' younger brother) - in critical condition at the hospital in Charlotte, N.C. with heart & kidney issues. Prayers are appreciated at this time.
- \***Louis Staubs - UPDATE** - Prayers as he recovers from recent medial issues.

\***George Scarberry - UPDATE** - (member of SBFN) he is not doing well. His liver cancer is no longer responding to treatments. Hospice has been called in. The family has requested prayer!

\***Jeanette - UPDATE** - (Liz Radabaugh sister) had cancer, passed away on 10/22/24. Thank you for all your support and prayers, they were greatly appreciated.

\***Pastor Frank Watson** - former Pastor at SBFN passed away on 1/8/25 in GA. where he was staying with his son. Prayers for the family during this time. If you would like contact info. please call the church office.

\***Pastor Steve Grooms** - battling cancer (thyroid & hip) he has three girls, one who is still in high school. His wife's mother just passed away the week before Christmas. He's was rushed to Christ hospital on 1/8/25 for coughing up blood and passing out at home. He's stable but is on a ventilator now. Prayers for God to simply heal him fully and allow him to remain with us.

\***Barbara Brock** - (member of New Beginnings church) has incurable cancer, stage 4, please pray for God's timing and peace and healing.

\***Roxanne Human** - (Janet Pease's sister) Has cancer. Please pray for her as she fell out of bed and broke her arm in 3 places and is having a lot of pain with it. She is having surgery on 1/31 to remove the cancerous kidney. Then she will begin immuno-therapy after that.

\***Janet Griman - UPDATE** - Pray for her recent move to Colorado that she'll settle in quickly and smoothly.

## 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 title 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](http://www.sbfnaz.org), choose About SBFN, Online Giving from the scroll down box, then proceed from there.



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### 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](http://www.sbfnaz.org).

## A QUICK VIEW OF UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

### JANUARY

Sunday Morning (Nursery & Toddler classrooms) will be staffed during the 9 a.m. & 10:15 a.m. hour. \*\*\*No Wednesday Evening Activities.\*\*\*

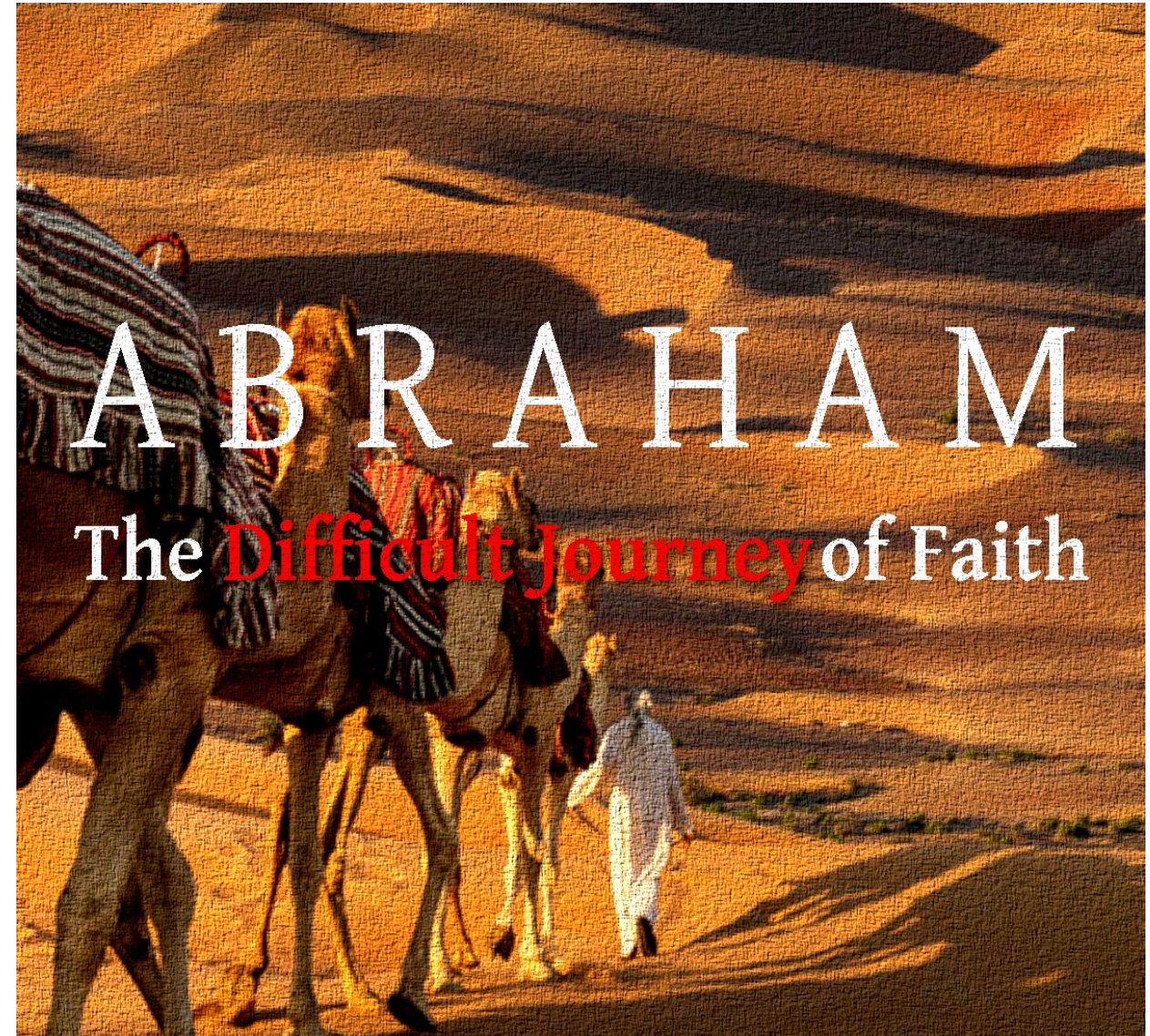
- 19 - NMI Chili Cook - Off (following morning worship gathering)
- 22,29 - Youth WIRED & Come to the Water
- 23,30 - Basketball & Quilting

### February

- 5, 12, 19, 26 - "The Truth Project" begins (6 p.m.)
  - Children Wed. Activities begin (6 p.m.)
  - Youth WIRED
- 8 - Parents' Night Out (4 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.)
- 11 - Church Board Meeting (6:30 p.m.)

### MARCH

- 15 - Faith Promise Weekend - Friday Evening Event begins at 5:30 p.m.
- 16 - Faith Promise Weekend - Sunday Morning Faith Promise Service (10:15 a.m.)



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