

WELCOME!

February 2, 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

Take You at Your Word

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS/OFFERING

*At Your Name
Great I Am*

Yet Not I but Through Christ in Me

MESSAGE FROM GOD'S WORD

"The Difficult Journey of Faith: Abraham Tested"
Genesis 22:1-19
Lead Pastor, Andy Lauer

LAST WEEK'S STATISTICS

Sunday A.M. Discipleship	92
Sunday A.M. Worship	150
Midweek Activities	30
On-Line Views	24

SBFN MINISTRY TEAM

*Lead Pastor - Andy Lauer
Children's Pastor - Brenda El-Talabani
Worship & Admin 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.	Discipleship for all ages
10:15 a.m.	Morning Worship Gathering
Wednesday	
6:00 p.m.	Youth WIRED Worship Team Rehearsal The Truth Project
Thursday	
6:30 p.m.	Quilting
7:00 p.m.	Men's Basketball
Saturday	
12:00pm	Dinner of Remembrance (Mary Nafrady)
Next Sunday	
8 - 11:15 a.m.	Prayer Room is Open
8:00 a.m.	Worship Team Rehearsal
9:00 a.m.	Discipleship for all ages
10:15 a.m.	Morning Worship Gathering Reception for Carole following services

Thank you for your faithful & generous giving!

Tithes & Offering

<i>Received week of</i>	<i>(1/26/25)</i>	<i>\$4580.00</i>
<i>Needed Weekly</i>		<i>\$6765.85</i>
<i>Average Giving YTD</i>		<i>\$7469.74</i>

Church Building & Facilities

<i>Mortgage Balance</i>	<i>\$523,892.45</i>
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UPCOMING EVENTS & INFORMATION

NEW OFFICE HOURS

Our church office has new hours and a few new email addresses.

Hours: Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri - 8:30am - 12:30pm
Office Email (Pastor Rebekah): admin@sbfnaz.org
Outreach (Pastor Dee): outreach@sbfnaz.org
We look forward to connecting with you!

RECEPTION FOR CAROLE SNYDER

Please join us after church next Sunday, Feb 9, as we celebrate Carole Snyder and her 18 years of faithful service here at SBFN! Let's shower her with cards and love!

"THE TRUTH PROJECT" STARTING THIS WEEK!

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 throughout the spring,** you're invited to be a part of "The Truth Project," a groundbreaking small group curriculum on 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 been through this series have asked to do it again. Make your plans now to join us in the HALO Room (gym classroom) on Wednesday evenings!



DINNER OF REMEMBRANCE: MARY NAFRADY

Our dear sister in Christ, Mary Nafrady, went home to be with the Lord last week. Although we know her absence here leaves an empty space in our lives, we are celebrating that she is whole and in the presence of Jesus now. In lieu of a funeral service, please join us for a DINNER OF REMEMBRANCE ON SAT, FEB 8, AT NOON. You may contact the church office with questions.

PARENTS' NIGHT OUT - Saturday, February 8th

Saturday, February 8th from 4:30 - 7:30pm here at SBFN is the next Parents' Night Out. This is for families with children between the ages infant - 5th grade. Each participating parent must fill out some necessary paperwork before attending for the first time. Please see Karen Greer for the necessary paperwork. Please contact Karen Greer with your questions (419-604-0031).



SERVICE OPPORTUNITY: CHILDREN'S DEPT.

Our children's classes continue to expand, which means our team continues to expand! We would love to have you help us care for our little ones. We currently need volunteers to serve in the Nursery once per month in our 9:00 and 10:15 services, loving on our new babies. We also need help during the 10:15 hour for the Toddlers and Preschoolers. Commitment is hard, and life happens - but no worries! We are flexible, and volunteers can switch weeks with others if you are not able to serve during your scheduled week. Contact Pastor Brenda (904-625-2121) or Sara Erdahl (517-391-6931) if you would like to chat about helping out.



"FORGOTTEN GOD" WITH FRANCIS CHAN

The HALO ABF class is currently studying a new book by Francis Chan, "Forgotten God," during the 9am Sunday School hour in Room FC 101. 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 invite readers to allow the Holy Spirit to infuse their lives in profound ways.



"CHERISH" WITH GARY THOMAS

The Crusaders for Truth Sunday School class is enjoying a series on marriage and invites all interested couples to join them at 9am 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.

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)

- ***Mary Nafrady** - Mary passed last week. Please keep her family in prayer.
- ***Pastor Steve Grooms** - Pastor Grooms has passed away. Please remember his family and his church in prayer.
- ***Konstence**—(Courtney Hoover's niece) - **UPDATE:** Recovering from mono; still experiencing pain and undergoing more testing.
- ***Hugh Tipton** - (Sharon Ebersole's brother) - **UPDATE:** Hugh has been transferred to an in-patient care facility for cardiac rehab.
- ***Ray** - (Charlotte Staubs' younger brother) - In critical condition at the hospital in Charlotte, NC with heart & kidney issues. Prayers are appreciated at this time.
- ***Bud Williams** - **UPDATE** - (David Williams' Dad) Hospice care will continue at home at Bud's wishes. Continued prayers appreciated for all.
- ***George Scarberry** - **UPDATE** - (member of SBFN) Please remember George's family with his recent passing.
- ***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 in much pain. She had surgery on 1/31 to remove the cancerous kidney and immuno-therapy to follow.
- ***Skip Galbraith** - (Bob Galbraith's brother) - Diagnosed with extremely aggressive lung cancer. Prayers the treatments will slow the progress, and for God's mercy whatever that may be. Also, especially pray for Skip's salvation as well.
- ***Cherie Thompson** - **UPDATE** - Still having some minor health concerns. Please pray for patience and understanding for Pete and Cherie.

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, 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

The SBFN website is 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

February

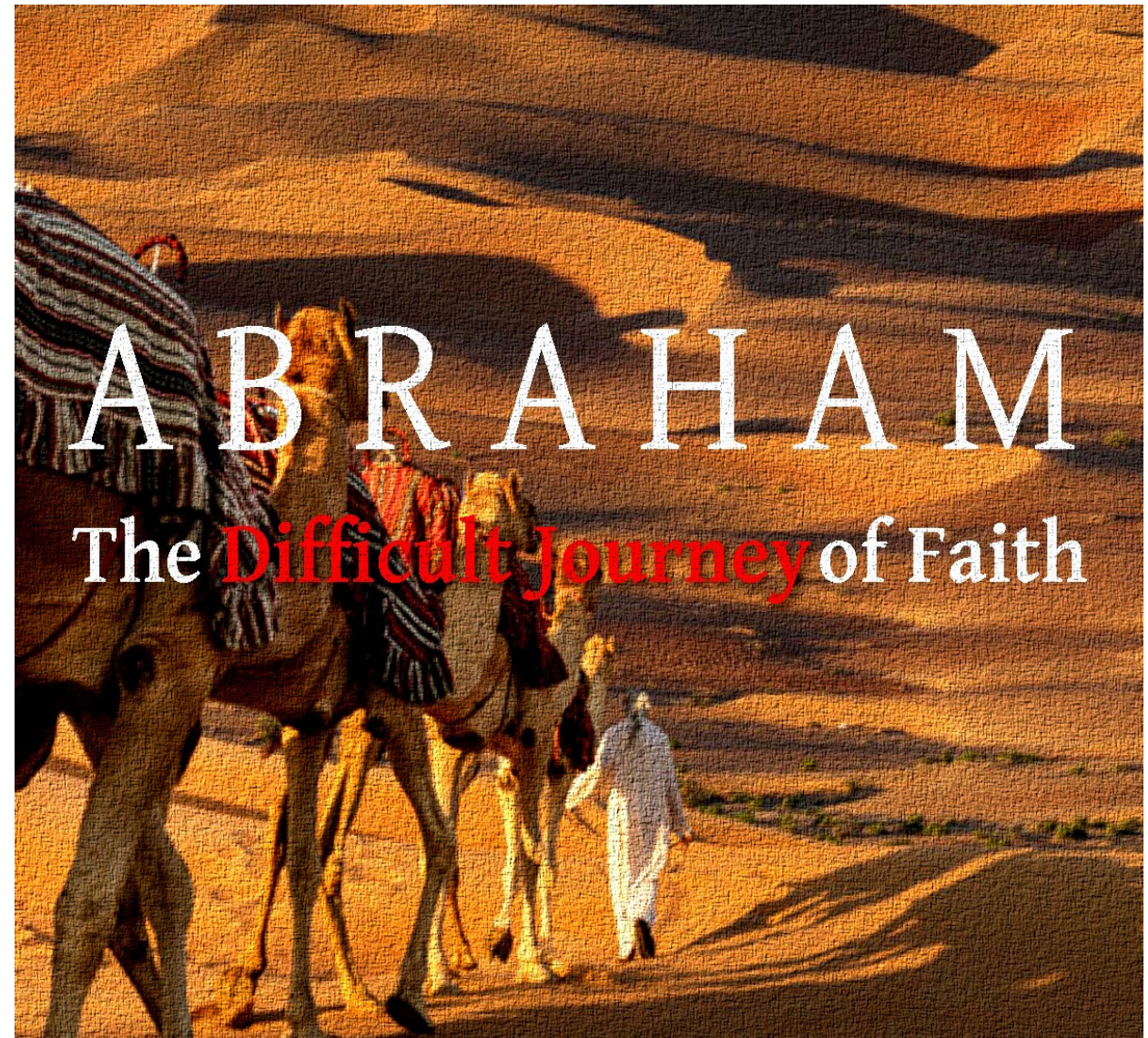
- 5, 12, 19, 26** - "The Truth Project" begins (6pm)
 - Children Wed. Activities begin (6pm)
 - Youth WIRED
- 8** - Parents' Night Out (4 p.m. - 7:30pm)
- 8** - Dinner of Remembrance for Mary Nafrady (12pm)
- 9** - Reception for Carole Snyder (following Sunday service)
- 11** - Church Board Meeting (6:30pm)

MARCH

- 1** - District Celebrate Life
- 23** - KMBC Chorale

APRIL

- 13** - Palm Sunday & Children's Egg Hunt
- 18** - Good Friday
- 20** - Resurrection Sunday
- 28-29** - District Assembly



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