

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 ones are bolded)

Marie Irwin - (Pastor Brenda's mother) - Admitted to the hospital and struggling with double viral pneumonia and influenza. She is neither eating nor responding well to treatment.

Donnie Mow - (Evelyn Lowrance's grandson) - Diagnosed with Bell's palsy and experiencing facial paralysis.

Cousins of Dana Keeton - Safely evacuated, but they lost their home last week to the Kentucky floods.

Cathie Radlein - UPDATE: Currently in in-patient rehab after a fall.

Ransom and Sharon Ebersole - They are both slowly mending after a difficult few weeks with respiratory flu. Sharon also has pneumonia, but she is improving.

Ronin - (Mariah Barton's nephew) - UPDATE: Ronin (age 4) has recovered from his illness. Praise God!

Roxanne Human - (Janet Pease's sister) UPDATE: Recent scans show that Roxanne is cancer free! Praise God!

Linda Bergan - (Terry Minix's sister) - Hip surgery was successful; still navigating pain. She is currently in in-patient rehab; recovery has been slow.

Lea Williams - (Dave Williams' mother) - Admitted to the hospital on 2/9 for heart failure.

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.

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

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.

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. Please place your Connection Cards/Prayer Cards in the Connection boxes or access the Connect Card using the QR code on the front of the bulletin.



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

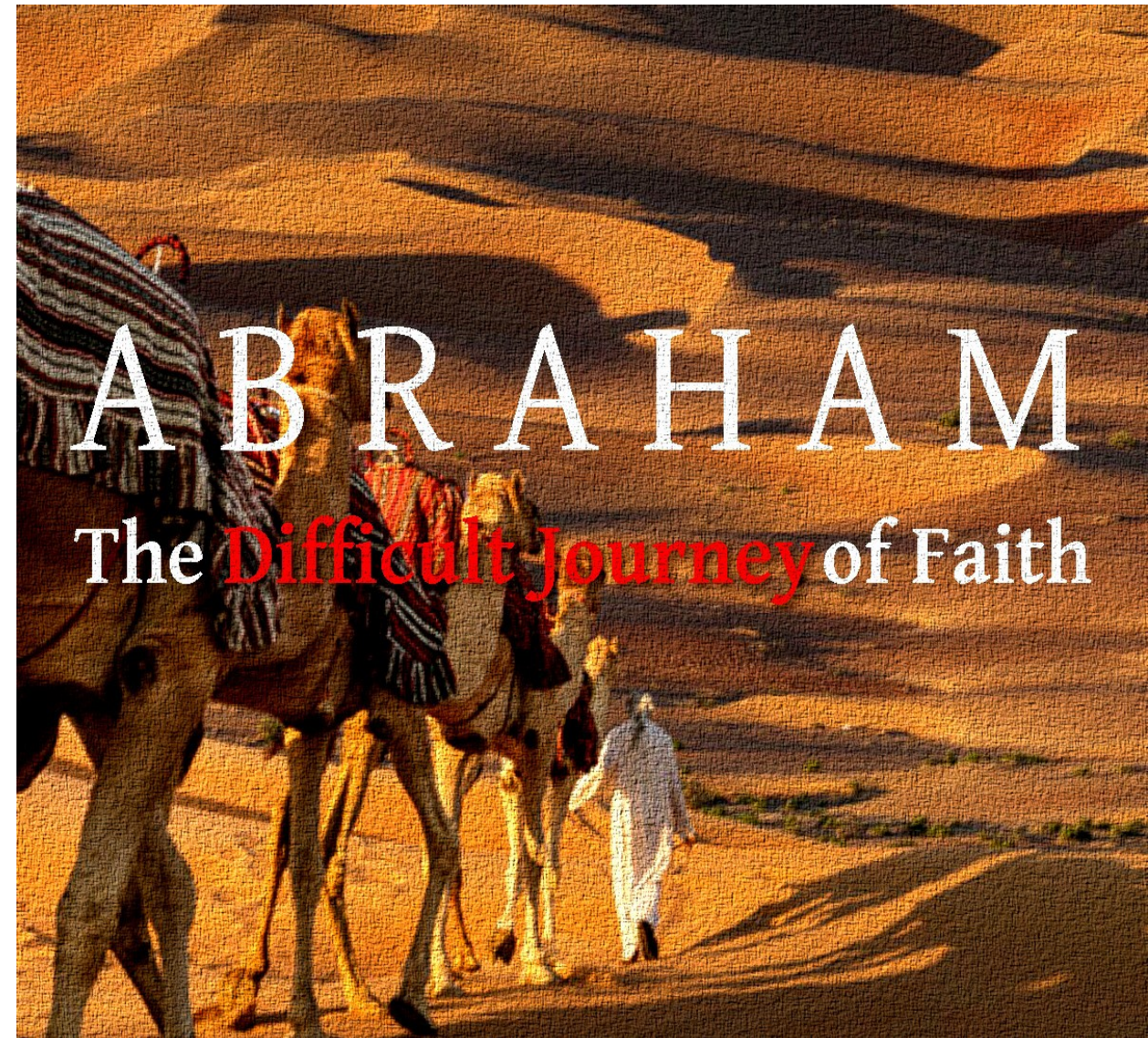
- 26 - "The Truth Project" (6pm)
 - Children Wed. Activities (6pm)
 - Youth WIRED (6pm)

MARCH

- 1 - District Celebrate Life
- 2 - Annual Leadership Election
- 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 - IMPACT Community Outreach Training
- 8 - Parents' Night Out
- 23 - KMBC Chorale @ SBFN

APRIL

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



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WELCOME!

February 23, 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.*

**Need Internet? SBFN Guest Password:
SBFNet!10*

TODAY'S WORSHIP GATHERING

"Alive"

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS/OFFERING

"Great Are You Lord"
"10000 Reasons"
"How Great Is Our God"

MESSAGE FROM GOD'S WORD

"The Difficult Journey of Faith: Finishing Well"
Genesis 25:1-11; Hebrews 11:8-16
Lead Pastor Andy Lauer

LAST WEEK'S STATISTICS

Sunday A.M. Discipleship	73
Sunday A.M. Worship	122
Midweek Activities	13
On-Line Views	12

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 am	Prayer Room is open	
8:00 am	Worship Team Rehearsal	
9:00 am	Discipleship for all ages	
10:15 am	Morning Worship Gathering	
	Youth Sunday	
Wednesday		
12:00 pm	Women's Sewing & Crafts	
6:00 pm	Youth WIRED	
	Worship Team Rehearsal	
	The Truth Project	
Thursday		
6:30 pm.	Quilting	
7:00 pm	Men's Basketball	
Saturday		
	District Celebrate Life @	
	Valparaiso Nazarene Church	
Next Sunday		
8 - 11:15 am	Prayer Room is open	
8:00 am	Worship Team Rehearsal	
9:00 am	Discipleship for all ages	
10:15 am	Morning Worship Gathering	

Thank you for your faithful & generous giving!

Tithes & Offering

<i>Received week of</i>	<i>(2/16/25)</i>	<i>\$4,911.90</i>
<i>Needed Weekly</i>		<i>\$6,765.85</i>
<i>Average Giving YTD</i>		<i>\$7,546.16</i>

January Missional Giving

<i>World Evangelism Fund</i>	<i>\$1,412.12</i>
<i>Child Sponsorship.</i>	<i>\$30.00</i>

Church Building & Facilities

<i>Mortgage Balance</i>	<i>\$519,949.29</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
Wed: 11am-4pm

Office Email (Pastor Rebekah): admin@sbfnaz.org

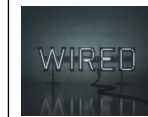
Outreach (Pastor Dee): outreach@sbfnaz.org

Children (Pastor Brenda): children@sbfnaz.org

Youth (Megan Williamson): youth@sbfnaz.org

We look forward to connecting with you!

YOUTH SUNDAY



Today our Youth will be leading our service and sharing their talents during the 10:15 am service. This is in preparation for the annual "Celebrate Life" event, where teens from the entire region gather to celebrate and demonstrate the gifts God has graciously given them. Thank you for all the love and support you give to our Youth!

FREE CHAIRS

Thanks to a generous and anonymous donor, we have new chairs to enjoy in our classrooms! Please help yourself to the chairs we no longer need. They are located in the gymnasium.

IMPACT COMMUNITY OUTREACH TRAINING

Learn how to impact others for Christ by building relationships, avoiding toxic charity, serving with sensitivity, and engaging in meaningful discipleship and cultural awareness. This training meets on Zoom and is open to everyone! Plan now to join Pastor Dee on Monday nights, March 3-31, 6-7:30pm!



"THE TRUTH PROJECT"



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. **Now meeting 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 will want to be a part of this event. Many other churches that 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!

ANNUAL LEADERSHIP ELECTION



Our **Annual Leadership Election** will be held **on March 2** during our morning worship hour. We encourage all **SBFN MEMBERS, age 15 and older**, to vote on this year's upcoming District Assembly Delegates and Church Board members.

WORK & WITNESS 2025 UPDATE

It's not too late to sign up to participate in the 2025 Work & Witness trip to beautiful Jackson, Kentucky, **August 2-8!** There are projects for every skill level. Our main project is to upgrade the boy's dorm and freshen up the dining hall and kitchen. Your \$400 covers travel, food, dorm, and project funds. A \$50 deposit is needed by the end of February to secure your spot on the team. After that, 10 bi-weekly payments of \$35 will fund your trip. Pick up your "GREEN KMBC" envelope at the Welcome Center to get started! Can't go? Consider sponsoring someone who is able. See Sue Harris with questions.



A TIME TO PLANT - COMING MARCH 2025!



Be watching for more information about SBFN's upcoming campaign, "A Time to Plant." Begin praying now that God would use this season of planting to prepare all of us for a future harvest of powerful spiritual and numerical growth in our church. "

A1S1: ATTEND 1, SERVE 1

SBFN has many opportunities to grow and be disciplined. We also have many opportunities to grow and serve. Our hope is that each person who calls this his or her church home would find one of both - attend one discipleship opportunity and serve during one. We believe it's part of fulfilling our calling. If you haven't plugged into one of each already, please prayerfully consider doing so soon.

FOURTH SUNDAY CONNECTIONS

Please join us in wearing **name tags** today at SBFN to help us all know one another better, especially those who are newer to SBFN. If you are new or visiting, please stop by the **Connections Table** to visit with the pastors and receive a gift. Let's continue to be the church God has called us to be by knowing and caring for one another!

