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Wednesday Night Bible Studies

Beginning August 30, 6:30-7:30 pm

Called and Accountable

Though every believer's assignment is unique, discover the one aspect of God's call that is universal to every believer. Meet in the Sanctuary. Led by Chad Rickenbaker

Unchained

Discover what it means to experience true freedom in Christ. Set free to love, live free, and say yes to Jesus. Meet in the Chapel. Led by Michael Hodge

Ladies Bible Study

Breathe by Priscilla Shirer

One of the greatest challenges facing women in our culture is taking time to cease from all the activities and just breathe. If you are weary, worn out, and exhausted, then the concept of Sabbath will change your life.

Woman of all ages are encouraged to come and experience this wonderful study.

Sign up in the Welcome Center or call the office.

This Sunday at Berea First Baptist Church

Encounter Service Returns, 8:15 am

Sunday School Promotion, 9:30 am
Doughnuts will be served in Sunday School areas

Cornerstone Service, 10:30 am

Evening Worship Service, 6:00 pm

Men and Boys Weekend 2017

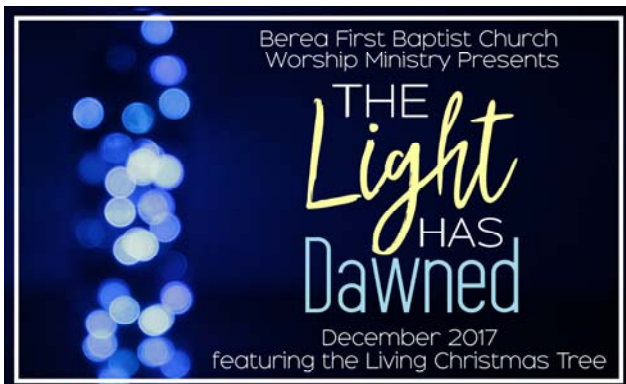
September 22-24

Camp Forest, Cheraw, SC

Skeet Shooting, Archery, etc.

For all men and boys 2nd grade and up. Cost \$50

Register in the Welcome Center



The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light. On those living in the land of the shadow of death, the light has dawned! – from Isaiah 9:2

The people of God had long-awaited the promised Messiah. Through 400 years of oppression, numerous political changes, and silence from the Lord, the nation of Israel was anticipating with hope the coming of the promised King. But when the fullness of time had come, God sent His son, born of a woman. This true light, Jesus Christ, has come into the world and we have seen His glory, full of grace and truth!

Join us this Christmas as we present "The Light Has Dawned"! This presentation will be a worshipful celebration of the coming of the newborn King, Jesus Christ.

There will be several ways to participate in this year's Christmas Ministry, and we would love to have you and your family be a part of it! One of the first ways to participate is in the **Worship Choir**. We need as many voices in the choir as possible, so please consider joining us. **The choir will have a Christmas kick-off party on Wednesday, September 6th at 7:35pm.** We'll meet in the choir room as we unveil the music before we eat and celebrate the start of the season. **We will also be providing childcare every Wednesday night during choir rehearsal.**

Let us join together as we prayerfully prepare for the 2017 Christmas season at Berea First Baptist Church, trusting God for what He has in store for our church and our community.

"The Light Has Dawned"

Friday, December 15 at 7:00 pm; Saturday, December 16 at 4:00 pm; Sunday, December 17 at 10:30 am and 4:00 pm

Welcome New Members



Jean Clarke
9 Phillips Trail
Greenville, SC 29609



Michael and Janice Foster
106 Sunshine Ave.
Greenville, SC 29609

Financial Report Sunday, August 20, 2017

Total Annual Budget.....\$1,353,255.76
Budgeted Gifts Rec'd 8-20.....\$20,690.96
Legacy Gifts.....\$502.00
Designated/Reimbursement.....\$1,774.38
Total Deposit.....\$22,967.34

Attendance
Sunday Morning Services.....465



Children's Worship begins this Sunday, August 27 and will meet during both worship services. Ages 4 years through Grade 5 are invited to attend. We will meet in The Dock.

Opportunities

SUNDAY

8:15 am Encounter Service
9:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Cornerstone Service
6:00 pm Evening Service

WEDNESDAY

6:30pm Bible Study
7:30pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY

7:00am Men's Prayer Group

Sympathy

Sympathy is extended to:

The family of Paul Justice.

Jadon Keller in the death of his grandfather, Don Keller.

Memorial Gifts

Gifts have been given in memory of:

Paul Justice
Betty Rushton
John and Leah Hamilton
Randy and Janet Blair
Ernest and Betty Reece
Martha Woodruff by:
Jean Elliott
John Lezan by:
Jean Elliott
Lois Barton by:
Jean Elliott
Carolyn Aiken by:
Jean Elliott

Wednesday Night Activities Begin August 30

TIME & EVENT

MEETING PLACE

5:15-6:30pm

Supper (by reservation only)

Senior Adult Building

6:00-6:45pm

Preschool Choir (3-5 year olds)
1st-5th Grade Choir

Big Room - CDC Building
Choir Room

6:30-7:30pm

Wednesday Bible Studies
Youth Worship

Sanctuary, Chapel, or Conference Room
Crosswalk

6:45-7:30pm

3 Year Mission Friends
4 Year Mission Friends
5 Year Mission Friends
1st - 5th Grade G.A.'s
1st - 5th Grade R.A.'s

Room 108 - CDC Building
Room 107 - CDC Building
Room 106 - CDC Building
Children's Hall - Downstairs
Team Room - Gym

7:35-9:00pm

Adult Choir

Choir Room

Baby Dedication

Sunday, September 10, 10:30 am
If you would like to participate in this service, call the church office or email temory@berefbc.org

Back Pack Ministry

Again this year we will support Armstrong Elementary School by providing food and snacks for children in need to help carry them over each weekend of the school year. You can be part of this in the following ways:

1. **Financially sponsor a child** by giving a one time gift of \$360 for the year or pledging to give \$40 a month for nine months.

2. **Volunteer to pack bags** and deliver to the school each week. This will be done on a revolving schedule so that you should only work once every month. How many children we can help depends on you! Without these needed funds and help we cannot continue this ministry at Armstrong this year. Please sign up now in the Welcome Center or email Mike Parker, Mparker@berefbc.org.

Wednesday Night Supper Reservations

The deadline for reservations is **11:00am on Mondays**.

No additions can be made after 11:00 and if you fail to cancel your meal before 11:00 you will still be required to pay.

Adult Plate: \$5 - Children's Plate \$4 - PBJ Sandwich Plate \$2

Menu for August 27:

Fried Chicken, Macaroni and Cheese, New Potatoes, Green Beans

Call the church office or sign up in the Welcome Center Sunday.