

## No Other Name!

Sometimes you can really tell that parents put a lot of thought into their child's name. Other times the chosen name really just makes you wonder what they were thinking. For example, the following baby names were used in 2017: Andromeda, Dynasty, Oceana, Treble, Seven, and Zenith. Though the name Andromeda is born out of Greek mythology, it still makes me think of something on a microscope slide. When I hear the name Dynasty, I can't help but think of Phil Roberston and the Duck Dynasty T.V. show. The name, Oceana, seems to be connected with an organization interested in preserving our oceans. Still, the name makes me think of a ship that may have sunk in the ocean. As a fisherman when I hear the name, Treble, I think of a three pronged hook. I know Trevor probably thinks of music, but we aren't wired the same. I know the number Seven is the number of perfection, but when I hear the number, I can't help but think about a pesticide dust that kills fleas and ticks. Finally, when I hear Zenith, I think of a brand of televisions. I may be weird, ok I'm weird, but these are the things I think of when I hear these names.

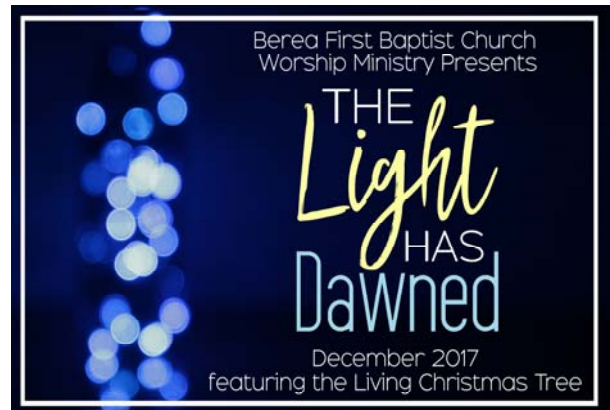
There is one name that is unlike any other name. It's the name, Jesus. When the angel announced to Joseph that Mary was going to have a baby, he was told to name the baby, Jesus. Jesus is the same as the Old Testament Joshua, which means God our Savior or the Lord is salvation.

Joseph was instructed to give this name because the child born to Mary would save His people from their sins. The word sin used in Matthew 1:21 means to miss the mark. It refers to a failure on our part to obey God's law. Because we fell short of God's standard He did the unimaginable; He sent Jesus to be our Savior.

The name Jesus is directly tied to our salvation. The connection between His name and our salvation is clearly seen in Peter's words to the Sanhedrin in Acts 4:12. Being filled with the Holy Spirit, Peter said, "Not is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."

When I hear the name Jesus, my first thought is Savior. What a wonderful name! Jesus is Savior, Lord, Messiah, Redeemer, Advocate, Judge, and King of Kings. When you hear His name what immediately comes to your mind? Take a few moments to worship Jesus. Praise God that we have been saved in His name.

For Him,  
Chad



## "The Light Has Dawned" begins next week!

**Tickets are still available!**

Friday, December 15 at 7:00 pm

Saturday, December 16 at 4:00 pm

Sunday, December 17 at 10:30 am ,  
(morning worship service—ticket not required)

Sunday, December 17 at 4:00 pm

## Christmas Greeters & Parking Assistants Needed

We need volunteers to help as Greeters & Parking Assistants for our Christmas Musical, "The Light Has Dawned".

The dates of the musical are Friday, December 15 at 7:00, Saturday, December 16 at 4:00, Sunday, December 17 at 10:30 and 4:00. We will schedule a rotation of volunteers for each night, based on your availability. If you're willing to help please call the church office as soon as possible, or send an email to [temory@bereafbc.org](mailto:temory@bereafbc.org).

## Next Sunday, December 17, 10:30 am

*"The Light Has Dawned"*

Ticket not required

No Encounter Service

No Sunday School

No Children's Worship

Nursery provided for birth-5 year olds only



### Christmas Eve Schedule

Sunday, December 24

Christmas Under the Tree

Sunday School at 9:30 am

Morning Worship at 10:30 am

Christmas Eve Service at 6:00 pm

Christmas Eve Service at 11:15 pm

### News Year's Eve Schedule

Sunday, December 31

Breakfast at 9:00 am

Sunday School at 9:30 am

Morning Worship at 10:30 am

### NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY

You're invited to be a part of our new picture directory. Our last directory was printed in 2014. We have new families, there have been weddings, and babies, and kids who are young adults now. We're changing, and a new directory will help us capture these changes.

**Sign-ups will begin  
next Sunday, December 17  
in the Welcome Center.**

**Photography dates are  
Jan. 30-Feb. 2, Feb. 6-10, Feb. 26-27.**

Every family photographed will receive a free 8 x 10 and a free directory. We want 100% participation and our directory won't be complete without YOU!

### December Wednesday Schedule

December 13: Regular Schedule

December 20: Prayer Service only, 6:30

December 27: No Services

January 3: Regular Schedule

### Sanctuary Decoration

#### Memorial Gifts

**Due by next Sunday, Dec. 17**

\$12 donation given in honor or  
in memory of a loved one

### Financial Report Sunday, December 3, 2017

Total Annual Budget.....\$1,353,255.76  
Budgeted Gifts Rec'd 12-3.....\$30,149.26  
Legacy Gifts.....\$498.00  
Designated/Reimbursement.....\$10,224.10  
Total Deposit.....\$40,871.36

#### Attendance

Sunday Morning Services.....491

### Sympathy

Sympathy is extended to the family  
Shirley Merritt.

### Memorial Gifts

*Gifts have been received in memory of:*

John Lezan by:

Iris Lezan

Adam and Mary Hellen Lezan

Scott Lezan

Morgan and Bailey Lezan

Dick Vickery by:

Cheryl Taylor

Bykota Sunday School Class

A gift has been given in honor of  
Catherine Brockman, Mary Lazar, and  
Barb Manire by the Esther Sunday School

### Student Ministry

Students are going to Heartland this Sunday, December 10. Meet at the Crosswalk at 9am. We will return in time for the 10:30 service.

**Wednesday, December 13,** we will have our **Student Christmas Throwdown** (Christmas Party) at the Crosswalk at 6:30. Students should wear their tackiest Christmas sweater and should bring a gag gift with them to exchange (they can buy one or find something around the house you/they want to get rid of!). Oh, and of course, they should bring a ton of friends! The more the merrier.

### Opportunities

#### SUNDAY

8:15 am

9:30am

10:30am

6:00pm

Encounter Service  
Sunday School  
Cornerstone Service  
Evening Service  
Small Groups  
Youth Bible Study  
TeamKID

#### WEDNESDAY

5:15-6:30pm

6:00-6:45pm

6:30-7:30pm

6:45-7:30pm

7:35-9:00pm

#### THURSDAY

7:00am

Supper  
Preschool Choir  
1st-5th Grade Choir  
Bible Study  
Christ Centered Parenting  
Student Worship  
Preschool Mission Friends  
Grades 1-5 G.A.'s  
Grades 1-5 R.A.'s  
Worship Choir

Men's Prayer Group

### Wednesday Supper Menu

**December 13**

Baked Chicken, Macaroni and Cheese,  
Yellow Rice, spinach  
or Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwich, Chips  
*Reservations or cancellations must be  
made by 11am on Monday.*

### Our Reaching Center Needs Your Help Each Week

Please consider donating canned goods every week during December. You can bring them to the church office during the week or leave in blue containers placed throughout the church on Sundays.

Watch the newsletter each week for our list of most needed items.

#### Items needed this week:

Soup  
Pasta Sauce  
Spaghetti  
Peanut Butter  
Fruit  
Jelly  
Macaroni and Cheese



Providing financial support to missionaries as  
they share the gospel overseas.

**Our Goal for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering: \$20,000**

**Received: \$3,120**