

## Breakout 2018 Update

Our theme for 2018 is **Breakout**. One definition of breakout is a sudden advance to a new level. During the month of January, we saw advances in several areas. One area was prayer. During January we had Spirit-led and Scripture-fed prayer services each Wednesday night. In each service, we drew near to the Lord and experienced His presence in a fresh way. Our emphasis on prayer continued with our annual Prayer Conference. Mark Bearden did a great job helping us see what is truly possible when we pray.

As we sought the Lord in a more concerted way, we began to see His Spirit moving. Many new commitments were made in January which included 12 new members and 5 first time professions of faith. What a great start to our 2018 Breakout! Let's seek the Lord more and more so that His power and presence would be manifested in our lives and church!

While we celebrate these very important areas of advance, there was one area that needs to be strengthened. It's the area of stewardship. I'm thankful to say that our 2017 budget receipts exceeded our budget needs! That was our third consecutive year in which giving exceeded budget needs. Unfortunately, regarding stewardship, we didn't get off to a great start in 2018. Our budget receipts for January were well below what is required to meet budget. If you were not able to attend one or more services in January due to illness or inclement weather, please consider bringing your tithes and offerings this Sunday. I would love to see us make up the ground we lost and continue with the level of giving we have seen over the last few years.

One other area that we have seen evidence of this advance is with our new pictorial directory. We have had an amazing response to this new directory. We had to add several new days for everyone to have their portraits made. This is a wonderful indicator of God's activity in our church. The new directory represents our BFBC family. It's an additional way that we indicate our commitment to this local church. Allow your participation in this new directory to serve as your recommitment to faithful attendance and support of BFBC!

For Him,  
Chad

## This Sunday at Berea First Baptist Church

Message by Dr. Chad Rickenbaker

8:15 am

Encounter Service

10:30 am

Cornerstone Service

6:00 pm

Evening Service



### Student Ministry, Grades 6-12

DNOW is an awesome weekend full of high intensity worship sessions, powerful times in the Word and in small groups, crazy fun around town, and a few surprises along the way. Students will be staying in trusted church members' homes with small group leaders. We'll have worship sessions at the church, and there will be some epic activities going on all weekend long.

**Sign up by February 13 to get the Earlybird rate of \$65.**

Deadline to sign up is March 11.

Not only are we going to have a blast that weekend, but we also believe that God is going to do incredible things in the lives of teenagers during that time. That's why we definitely want your student to be a part of it!

### College Student Valentines Gifts due This Sunday

Show your love by making a financial contribution to help purchase gift certificates for our college students.

**ADDRESSES NEEDED:** If you have a child in college, please turn in their address to the office by Sunday.



### Friendship Group

#### Senior Adult Luncheon

Tuesday, February 20, 11:00am

Senior Adult Building

Menu: Beef Tips over Rice, Green Beans, Roll, Red Velvet Cake

Musical Program by Trevor Coleman, "Songs from the Heart"

Reservations required by 4pm on 2/15, 246-1921

### Mentor a Student

Armstrong Elementary School is looking for men to support students by building relationships with them.

Mentors are...listeners, encouragers, trusted friends.

Mentors are not...banks, tutors, social workers, mentors to the family.

Mentors commit to visiting...

1 child for 30 minutes

1 day each week at school, for

1 school year

If you're interested please contact Tracy in the church office or contact Amy Reese at Armstrong, 355-1104.

*Who took the time to be a positive influence in your life?*

*Do the same for a child in our community!*

### Financial Report

Sunday, February 5, 2017

Total Annual Budget.....\$1,356,287.67  
 Budgeted Gifts Rec'd 2-5.....\$21,841.05  
 Legacy Gifts.....\$310.00  
 Designated/Reimbursement.....\$3,715.11  
 Total Deposit.....\$25,866.16

#### Attendance

Sunday Morning Services.....397

### Memorial Gifts

*Gifts have been given in memory of:*

Charles Jones by:

Darrell and Amy Reese  
 Anne Linder and Evelyn Linder  
 John and Leah Hamilton  
 Charles and Brenda Hall  
 Rannon Owens  
 Gayle McDavid  
 Bo and Shelia Gantt  
 Jim and Sara Connor  
 Joe and Gwen Hicks  
 Walt and Christine Brashier  
 Vivian Day  
 Joyce Clayton  
 Jim and Diane Harrill  
 Von and Janice Hallman  
 Sam and Susan Childers

Paul Stegall by:

Joyce Clayton

Jim and Diane Harrill

Guynell Gardo by:

Walt and Christine Brashier

Dick Vickery by:

Sam and Susan Childers



### Basketball Banquet

Tuesday, March 6

6:00 pm in the Crosswalk

Cost is \$3.50 per person.

Sign up by Feb. 27.

### Opportunities

#### SUNDAY

8:15 am  
 9:30am  
 10:30am  
 4:45pm  
 6:00pm

Encounter Service  
 Sunday School  
 Cornerstone Service  
 Student Choir  
 Evening Service  
 Youth Bible Study  
 TeamKID

#### WEDNESDAY

5:15-6:30pm  
 6:00-6:45pm  
 6:30-7:30pm

Supper  
 Preschool Choir  
 1st-5th Grade Choir  
 Prayer Service  
 Equip Missions Discovery  
 Ladies Bible Study  
 Student Worship  
 Preschool Mission Friends  
 Grades 1-5 G.A.'s  
 Grades 1-5 R.A.'s  
 Worship Choir

6:45-7:30pm

7:35-9:00pm

#### THURSDAY

7:00am

Men's Prayer Group

### Wednesday Supper Menu

February 14

Eggs, Grits, Sausage, Bacon, Biscuits or Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwich, Chips  
*Reservations or cancellations must be made by 11am on Monday.*

### Help Our Reaching Center

Remember our Reaching Center as you do your grocery shopping this week. Items can be left in the church office or placed in the blue containers throughout the church on Sundays.

#### Items needed this week:

corn, diced tomatoes, fruit, oatmeal, cornflakes

### BFBC Book Club

Monday, February 12, 6:00 pm

Welcome Center

Book to be discussed:

"This Life I Live" by Rory Feek

### WMU Group Meetings

Nan Herring Group

Tuesday, February 13, 7:00 pm

Home of Jean Elliott

208 Redspire Dr.

Susan Tidwell Group

Tuesday, February 13, 7:00 pm

Senior Adult Building

JOY Group

Tuesday, February 20, 7:00 pm

Home of Sherry Southerland

16 Smith Tractor Road, TR

## SOFTBALL REGISTRATION

Tee-Ball, Coaches Pitch, 11-14 Co-Ed, Youth Co-Ed, Adult Co-Ed

**FEBRUARY 14-21**

Register in the Welcome Center on Sunday, in the Gym on Wednesday or any time in the office. Forms and additional information online. Plan to play with us this year and invite a friend! If you have any questions please contact Mike Parker at 246-1921

or [Mparker@bereafbc.org](mailto:Mparker@bereafbc.org)