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# Reflections

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## New Service Schedule

In our recent sermon series from the Book of Ephesians we learned how Jesus died so as to create one new man from the two. The two being referenced were the Jewish Christians and Gentile Christians. In Christ, these two once distant groups of people, became one. In Christ we are one. Jesus established the unity of His body, the church, through the cross (Ephesians 2:14-22). Now we are called upon to promote and maintain the unity He has established. We do so by walking in lowliness, gentleness, patience, and bearing with one another in love (Eph. 4:1-6).

Moving to a new one-service schedule will allow us to better demonstrate our unity in Christ. We will practice loving and preferring one another. It will give a positive witness and testimony to our community of the transforming power of the Gospel. I pray that our commitment to Christ and our mission of helping people connect with Him will lead us to be faithful in worship and Bible Study.

Let's covenant together to pray for a powerful work of the Holy Spirit in our hearts as we join together in one service! Let's further commit to inviting someone new to join us in Bible Study and Worship each week!

**The new schedule begins December 2nd.**

**Bible Study 9:00 am**

**Worship Service 10:15 am**

## Church Family Thanksgiving Dinner and Service

Sunday, November 18, 5:30 pm

In the Crosswalk

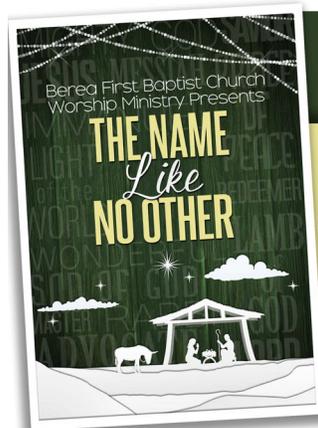
Cost: \$7 per person (\$35 max per immediate family)

Space is Limited!

**Sign up by this Sunday (11/11)** in the Welcome Center or call the church office.

Childcare provided for birth-5th grade after dinner (must have reservation).

Everyone is asked to bring canned goods for the Reaching Center.



## CHRISTMAS 2018 THE NAME LIKE NO OTHER

Beginning Nov. 4th  
Tickets can be  
**RESERVED**  
in the Welcome  
Center or by  
calling  
the Church  
Office

**Friday, Dec. 14 at 7pm**  
**Saturday, Dec. 15 at 4pm**  
**Sunday, Dec. 16 - 10:15am**  
(Sunday Morning Service - No Ticket Required)  
**Sunday, Dec. 16 - 4pm**

Featuring the Living Christmas Tree

## Christmas Construction and Decorating

**November 18th**

We need your help with set construction and decorating for this Christmas season and our Christmas musical, "The Name Like No Other."

**Work will begin on Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup> at 1pm. We will also continue to work on Monday & Tuesday evenings (19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>) if there is more work to complete.** Just show up to work and we'll get you plugged in! We need as many hands as we can to make this happen. All are welcome! If you have any questions, please contact Trevor Coleman at the church office, or at

[TColeman@bereafbc.org](mailto:TColeman@bereafbc.org).

## Deacon Nominations - Sunday, November 11

Please give prayerful consideration to the 10 men you would like to nominate to serve as a deacon.

Ballots will be given out this Sunday and may be turned in through Sunday, November 18.

**Do not nominate these who are presently serving:** Devon Belcher, Randy Blair, Gary Brock, Steve Burgess, Jim Cagle, Robert Coleman, Bob Dobbins, Charles Ducker, Emmett Farr, Marshall Ferguson, Dick Fuzia, Von Hallman, John Hamilton, Alvin Henson, Wayne Horton, Scott Humphreys, Drake Jordan, Don Kauffman, Alan Kay, Tony Kay, Andrew Lewis, Joe Malone, Steve Marlow, Bill Mathis, Mike Nix, Darrell Reese, Steve Shead, Mark Smith, Kevin Styles, Mac Styles, Shep Tallon, Clyde Thompson, Kent Vinson, Tim Williams, Jay Willis.

## Welcome New Member



**Josh Yale (Jessica)**

14 Bluff Ridge Ct.  
Greenville, SC 29617

## Financial Report

**Sunday, November 4, 2018**

Total Annual Budget.....\$1,356,287.67  
Budgeted Gifts Rec'd 11-4.....\$26,817.50  
Legacy Gifts.....\$580.00  
Designated/Reimbursement.....\$1,321.23  
Total Deposit.....\$28,718.73

### Attendance

Sunday Morning Services.....525

## Sympathy

*Sympathy is extended to*

The family of Evelyn Linder.

Jerry and Gloria Weaver in the death of their grandson, Andrew Weaver.

## Memorial Gifts

*Gifts have been given in memory of:*

Terry Holliday by: Cheryl Taylor  
Evelyn Linder by: Cheryl Taylor  
Andrew Weaver by: Cheryl Taylor  
Larry Abbott by: Joyce Clayton  
Bruce Turner by: Iris Lezan

## Deacons Meeting

Monday, November 19, 7pm  
In the Chapel

## Opportunities

### SUNDAY

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

### WEDNESDAY

5:15-6:30 pm Supper  
6:00-6:45 pm Preschool Choir  
6:30-7:30 pm 1st-5th Grade Choir  
Prayer Service  
Student Worship  
6:45-7:30 pm Preschool Mission Friends  
Grades 1-5 G.A.'s  
Grades 1-5 R.A.'s  
Worship Choir  
7:35-9:00 pm

### THURSDAY

7:00 am Men's Prayer Group

## Wednesday Night Supper Menus

**November 14:** Eggs, Grits, Bacon, Sausage, Biscuits with Gravy  
or Chick-fil-a Sandwich or 8 nuggets  
Remember that all reservations must be changed by 11:00 am on Mondays.  
**November 21:** No supper

## Reaching Center

### Items needed this week:

macaroni and cheese, green beans, fruit, peanut butter, corn



OCC Shoe Boxes

**DUE THIS SUNDAY, 11/11**

Drop off in the Welcome Center

*Honoring All Who Served in the  
Armed Forces of the United States*  
**Program and Reception  
Berea High School**

Friday, November 12, 2:30 pm  
All veterans, their families, and other members throughout the community are invited to attend.

## The Friendship Group Senior Adult Luncheon

Tuesday, November 20, 11:00 am  
Senior Adult Building  
Speaker: Trudy Heller

Menu: Turkey and Dressing, Sweet Potato Casserole, Green Bean Almondine, Pecan Pie

Reservations required by 4:00  
Thursday, November 15

## CHURCH CONFERENCE

On **November 25th** we will have a Church Conference. Among the items being presented in conference will be an amendment to the By-Laws. Currently the By-Laws stipulate that there shall be two deacons for every one hundred members of the church. The current term of office is four years. Our current deacon body recommends that the deacon number requirement be changed to no fewer than thirty deacons or as many as are necessary for the faithful fulfillment of the Deacon Family Ministry Plan. Further, the deacon body recommends that the term of office be changed from four years to three. Each year the church would nominate no fewer than ten new deacons.

## Christmas Eve Family Ministry

For over 30 years our church has been providing gifts and food to families in need for Christmas. These gifts and food are purchased and delivered to each family's home by volunteers from our church on Christmas Eve. Already this year our church has received numerous calls hoping for help. We plan to help as many families as possible, but we are limited to how many we can help by the donations we receive. The average family costs \$300 to supply a nice Christmas meal and presents for the children. Most of the gifts are made up of shoes, pants, winter coats and a few toys. We need donations and sponsors! If you would be willing to make a financial donation or even completely sponsor an entire family we need to know by **Sunday, December 2** so that we can make a clear commitment to the families we can help. We will need volunteers to shop and deliver as we move forward, but first we have to know our financial commitment. Please mark your gifts as Christmas Eve Ministry. For more info contact Mike Parker at 246-1921 or mparker@bereafbc.org.



## Lottie Moon Post Office

Want to send some Christmas cards to your Sunday School class members, fellow choir members, grandparents, parents or special BFBC friends? Plan to use the Lottie Moon Post Office this year and let the GA's and RA's be your mail carriers. The post office will be open in the Welcome Center beginning December 2 and then each Sunday in December. Plan to drop off your cards that you have labeled with a first and last name, pay the postage to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, and leave the rest to us. Our mail carriers will deliver the cards to Sunday School classes and the cards will be ready for you to pick up each Sunday beginning December 9. What a great way to spread some "Christmas Cheer" and help us reach our goal for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.