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# Reflections

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August 15, 2019

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### The Friendship Group

Tuesday, August 20, 11:00 am

Speaker: Mable Clark,

Soapstone Baptist Church

Menu: BBQ, Baked Beans, Cole Slaw

Cost: \$6

Reservations required before 4:00 on

Thursday, August 15. 246-1921



Sunday, August 25, 5pm to 7pm

This free Fun Fest is for our church and community and will feature rides, games and food! It's all happening in front of the Crosswalk and will kick off our Fall Ministries. Invite your friends and neighbors!

### Sunday School Promotion

Birth through Grade 12

Sunday, August 25



**CHILDREN'S  
WORSHIP  
AT THE DOCK**

Begins August 25, 10:15 am

Ages 4 years—Grade 5

All Sunday School Teachers

**SAVE THE DATE**

Saturday, September 21

Teacher Appreciation/Training Banquet

5:30 in the Senior Adult Building

**THIS SUNDAY**  
at Berea First Baptist Church

9:00 am - Bible Study Groups

10:15 am - Morning Worship Service  
Message by Dr. Chad Rickenbaker  
Ordinance of Baptism  
Special time of prayer for students and teachers

6:00 pm - Evening Worship Service

### NEW Wednesday Night Bible Study Classes

**Beginning August 21 at 6:30**

Chad will be utilizing the 2020 January Bible study on the book of Jeremiah. Study guides are not required for the series but if you would like one, the cost is \$9.

A sign-up sheet for the study guides is in the Welcome Center.

Michael will be leading "Discipleship Explored." This 8-session journey through Paul's letter to the Philippians will help believers young and old to discover the greatest love anyone could ever know, and how to live as disciples of Christ Jesus today. Books are \$5. A sign-up sheet for the handbook is in the Welcome Center.

Amanda Hodge will be facilitating a new ladies Bible study called "Malachi - A Love that Never Gives Up" by Lisa Harper.

**Beginning September 4 at 6:30**

Paul Pappy will be teaching a new men's Bible study called "33 Series:

A Man and His Design." Workbooks are \$15 and a sign-up sheet is in the Welcome Center.

### Connections/New Members Class

On Sunday, August 25, we will have a Connections Class. This class is simply an opportunity for visitors and new members to learn more about BFBC and how to get connected. The class will also include a presentation of the various ministries of the church. Please join me on August 25 at 9:00 a.m. in the Senior Adult Building. If you are unsure of the location there will be someone in the Welcome Center ready to assist you. If you know of someone who has been visiting our church and would like to learn more, please invite them to this class.

Dear Church Family,

Thanks to your generous donations of school supplies, your volunteer hours and your love of community, we packed 311 backpacks, had 50+ volunteers and, as of this week, made it possible for 184 children to have needed supplies for a successful school year.

In the first two weeks of August we have ministered to 105 families through food, clothes, household items, school supplies and prayer support. The remaining back packs will be distributed to guidance counselors at Armstrong Elementary and other community schools.

To God be the Glory!  
The Reaching Center  
Matthew 25:40

### Financial Report Sunday, August 11

Total Annual Budget.....\$1,429,626.76  
Budgeted Gifts Rec'd 8-11.....\$21,007.14  
Legacy Gifts.....\$215.00  
Designated/Reimbursement.....\$402.00  
Total Deposit.....\$21,624.14  
Sunday Morning Attendance.....492

### Progressive Dinner for Grades 1-5

Sunday, Aug. 18, 4:30-7:30 pm  
Travel on church buses  
Drop off & pick up at the gym  
Call Julie for last minute  
reservations, 420-1494.

### Back Pack Ministry

One of the ways we support Armstrong Elementary School each year is by providing food and snacks for children in need to help carry them through each weekend of the school year. We need your help 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](mailto:Mparker@berefbc.org).

### Wednesday Night Supper Reservations

In addition to our regular home cooked meals, we offer a second choice:  
Chick-fil-a Sandwich or 8 Nuggets with chips, drink and ice cream.

Home Cooked Adult Meal: \$5  
Home Cooked Kids Meal: \$4  
Chick-fil-a (8 nuggets or sandwich): \$5

The deadline for reservations is **11:00 am on Mondays**.  
No additions or changes can be made after 11:00 and if you fail to cancel your meal before 11:00 you will still be required to pay.

#### Regular Menu for August 21

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

### August Mission Project School Supplies for

#### Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

It won't be long until it's time to pack our shoeboxes. Use the month of August to stock up on school supplies that can be included in the boxes:

crayons, pencils, erasers, markers, scissors, small writing tablets, rulers, glue sticks, post it notes, watercolor paint sets, chalk, highlighters.

### Help us Restock our Reaching Center Shelves

Items needed this week:  
fruit, peanut butter, diced tomatoes, mixed vegetables, soup, dried beans, instant potatoes, grits, oatmeal

### The Very Newest

*Congratulations to:*

Chris and Callie Mills on the birth of a daughter, Margaret Ellen, born July 15. She is granddaughter of Doug and Laurie Mills.

Andrew and Brooke Bruton on the birth of a daughter, Harper Elise, born Aug. 3. She is the granddaughter of Rodney and Carla Bruton.

Ashton and Mark Culpepper on the birth of a son, Miller Anthony, born August 10. He is the grandson of Gary and Julie Brock and the great grandson of Jack and Betty Brock.

## Wednesday Night Activities Begin August 21

#### TIME & EVENT

##### 5:15-6:30 pm

Supper (by reservation only)

#### MEETING PLACE

Senior Adult Building

##### 6:00-6:45 pm

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

Big Room - CDC Building  
Choir Room

##### 6:30-7:30 pm

Bible Study (Chad Rickenbaker)  
Bible Study (Michael Hodge)  
Ladies Bible Study (Amanda Hodge)  
Men's Bible Study (Paul Pappy-Sept 4)  
Student Worship

Chapel  
Conference Room  
Senior Adult Building Room  
Crosswalk

##### 6:45-7:30 pm

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

##### 7:30-9:00 pm

Adult Choir

Choir Room