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Cultivating Community!

One of the most effective ways to cultivate community is through sharing a meal together. We see this modeled by Jesus himself. He often used meals to 'connect' with people and discuss spiritual truths. Throughout the Gospels, we read of Jesus eating meals in people's homes. In Luke's gospel alone there are ten accounts of Jesus dining with various people. The disciples apparently recognized the value of in-home fellowship because they continued the same practice in Acts 2. In Acts 2:46 we read, "So continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, they ate their food with gladness and simplicity of heart, praising God and having favor with all people."

When we study the example of Jesus, we learn that He shared meals with a wide variety of people. Let's follow His pattern and invite our close friends, those who may be new to our church, and those who may not know Jesus. Remember, you don't have to have a home out of Southern Homes and Gardens to host a fellowship.

With Jesus as our guide, let's further cultivate community by hosting an in-home fellowship. If you are looking to invite someone who is new to our church let me know and I'll gladly help you with contact information.

For Him,
Chad

Deacons Meeting

Rescheduled for Monday, September 9
7:00 pm In the Chapel

CHURCH CONFERENCE

Sunday, September 15, 6:00 pm
We will vote on new Sunday School teachers at the beginning of the service.



THIS SUNDAY

9:00 am - Bible Study Groups

10:15 am - Morning Worship Service
Message by Dr. Chad Rickenbaker

6:00 pm - Evening Worship Service



BEREA WORSHIP CHOIR

YOU ARE INVITED

CHRISTMAS KICK-OFF PARTY

Be a part of the Berea Worship Choir this Christmas as we share the Hope of Jesus with our community.

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 11TH, 7:30 PM
SENIOR ADULT BUILDING

WE WILL HAVE CAKE AND COFFEE WHILE WE LISTEN TO OUR NEW MUSIC FOR CHRISTMAS

Sunday School Teacher Appreciation Dinner

All Teachers are Invited

Saturday, September 21, 5:30 pm
Senior Adult Building

Food and Fellowship | Round Table Discussion
Challenges for the New Year | Door Prizes

Please call the church office to make a reservation by Thursday, Sept. 12

Welcome New Members



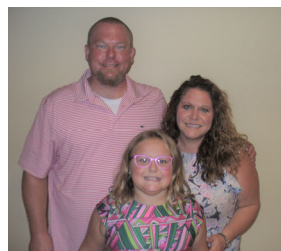
Ken and Cynthia Beck
8 Bradford North Way
Greenville, SC 29617



Justin, Michelle, & Madison McKinney
18 Bilbury Way
Travelers Rest, SC 29690



Lynn and Karen Duncan
7 Pueblo Dr.
Greenville, SC 29617



Sean, Erin & Gracie Hester
200 Wild Turkey Way
Greenville, SC 29617

TeamKID Begins September 8

Sundays, 6:00-7:00 pm
Grades 1-5 meet in the Dock
TeamKID is a fun ministry that encourages children to know Jesus and to grow in a relationship with Him. We have Bible stories, scripture memory, missions, and recreation. Make sure your child is here on Sunday nights!

Wedding Bells

Congratulations to Jessica Emory and Trent Gentry who were married Saturday, August 24.

Financial Report Sunday, August 25

Total Annual Budget.....\$1,429,626.76
Budgeted Gifts Rec'd 8-25.....\$25,637.22
Legacy Gifts.....\$372.00
Designated/Reimbursement.....\$11,702.00
Total Deposit.....\$37,711.22
Sunday Morning Attendance.....529

Memorials

Gifts have been given in memory of:
Brenda Smith by:
Harold and Kathleen Newton
Charles and Brenda Hall
Joyce Clayton

September Mission Action

BFBC Child Development Center
Items needed: batteries (D and AA), sticky notes, bandaids, colored copy paper, white copy paper, glue sticks, sharpies, white construction paper.

Need Prayer?

Email: prayerrequest@bereafbc.org
Voicemail: (864) 246-9182, Ext. 1

Opportunities

SUNDAY

9:00 am Bible Study
10:15 am Morning Worship
6:00 pm Evening Worship

WEDNESDAY

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

THURSDAY

7:00 am Men's Prayer Group

Wednesday Supper Menus

Sept. 4: Grits, Eggs, Bacon,
Sausage, Biscuits

Sept. 11: Hamburger Steak with Gravy,
Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Corn
or

Chick-fil-a Sandwich or nuggets
Reservations required by Monday, 11am

Help us Restock our Reaching Center Shelves

Items needed this week: grits, oatmeal,
beef stew, mixed vegetables

Janie Chapman Offering for State Mission, Missions Education,
and Kingdom ADVANCE in South Carolina

Our Goal: \$6,000



"The Lord himself goes before you and will be with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged." Deuteronomy 31:8

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 RESPOND BY THIS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

Sign up Sunday in the Welcome Center or email Mike Parker, mparker@bereafbc.org.