

NOVEMBER 2019

BELLA VISTA BAPTIST CHURCH



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Dear Church Family,
Thank you for the warm reception Cindy and I received when I was presented as the candidate for your next Senior Pastor. It was truly an amazing weekend. We enjoyed meeting you and worshipping with you. We were humbled and honored by your unanimous vote. And we are thrilled to call Bella Vista Baptist Church our church home.

But our call to Bella Vista Baptist Church was not so much about us. It was about Godly lay leadership who served the church faithfully over the past year. Among them was the Pastor Search Committee. They were a great blessing to Cindy and me every step of the journey. We will always be thankful for Bennie Horton, Beverly Shepherd, David Brown, Gloria Peterson, Jay Allman, Jonah Bauer, Katie Weaver, Shaneace Gard, and Trish Sitton.

It was about a patient prayerful church. It's easy for a church to get antsy and question why it seems to take so long to call a pastor. But

you waited and you prayed. And while you didn't know it at the time, you were praying for Cindy and me. Thank you for those prayers. And please keep praying.

It was about a faithful church staff. Pastor Robert, and then Pastor Daniel when he arrived, faithfully served the church, going above and beyond their own ministry responsibilities. In every area of ministry, Bella Vista Baptist Church is blessed with a top-notch staff who continue to diligently serve the church day in and day out. I am blessed to be numbered among them.

It was about the right leadership at the right time. And Scott Price was the right leader at the right time. Both the church and I owe Scott and Sonya a tremendous debt of gratitude. Scott was used by God to prepare Bella Vista Baptist Church for this moment. I invite you to join us Sunday, November 3, as we celebrate all God has done over this past year with Scott and Sonya. Scott will preach the morning services and we'll gather for a church wide fellowship at 5pm to

honor and thank this dear couple for their service to the church.

But above all, it was and is about Jesus. Bella Vista Baptist Church is Jesus' church. He has and continues to sustain His church. And all the glory is His. We thank and honor the people who lead the church and influence our lives for Christ. But we glory in Christ alone.

Cindy and I are excited about serving Jesus together with you. And we look forward to getting to know you better throughout the upcoming holiday season. But we already love you and are grateful for your love shown toward us.

For His glory,
Brent Summerhill



Brent & Cindy Summerhill

by: Ashley Abernathy, Director of Preschool Ministries

Sunday School

It's time to bow our heads, fold our hands and TALK TO GOD!

In this series, Lil'K and Kai lead us in PRAYER, and prayer is talking to God ("Hellooooo GOD"). We'll learn that we can talk to God anytime, anywhere, for anything and that God likes it when we pray. Hear the story of Jonah, who talked to God from the belly of a big fish. Sing and march along on the new "TALK TO GOD" song during SONG TIME. Put on your THINKING CAP and learn God's word and join PROFESSOR SOCK in discovering exactly what we should DO with our DOODAD. It's time to talk to God and have fun learning along with Lil'K all about prayer.



November 3rd - I can talk to God like a friend -
David the shepherd
1 Samuel 17:34-37

November 10th - I can talk to God anywhere -
Jonah in the big fish
Jonah 1-2

November 17th - I can talk to God anytime -
Daniel prays three times a day
Daniel 6:1-10

November 24th - I can say "thank you" to God - Hannah prays for a baby
1 Samuel 1:1-20



November 6th—God Made the Moon

November 13th—God Made the Fish and Birds

November 20th—God Made the Animals

November 27th—God Made the Farm Animals



Thank you
to everyone who
came and had fun
with us at the Right
Choices Corn Maze.



November Dates to Remember:

- 11/1 – AWANA – T&T Grand Prix 5:30 – 9:00pm
- 11/13 – AWANA – Patriot Night (wear Red, White & Blue)
- 11/17 – Music Makers Preview at 11:00am Service
- 11/27 – Thanksgiving Break (no activities)



What are we learning?

1st—4th Grade:

- November 6 - Elijah at Mount Carmel*
- November 13 - Elisha*
- November 20 - Naaman*
- November 27 - Josiah*

5th—6th Grade:

In November pre-teens will study humility.

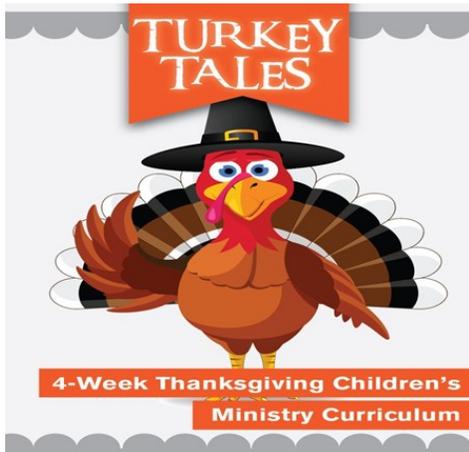
Birthdays

- Preston J..... 11/1
- Addison S..... 11/2



In Children’s Worship in November:

In Children’s Worship, we will start Turkey Tales. Children will learn to be thankful for what they have and to do everything without arguing or complaining by looking at the story of the Israelites grumbling in the desert.



Thank you AWANA Clubbers and Bella Vista Fire and Police for joining us for “Lifesaver Night!”

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Thank You to all the volunteers and everyone that donated candy! Ya’ll helped make Trunk or Treats a huge success!

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Children’s Spotlight

The Children’s 1st-4th grades Sunday School Classes studied “A Widow’s Gift” in July and were encouraged by their teachers, Randy and Glenda Moss, to donate money to the Guatemala Mission Trip. They stepped up and donated \$170. We are proud of them and look forward to see what else they will do when challenged.

BVBC STUDENT UPDATE

N O V E M B E R 2 0 1 9

Happy November Everybody!

Yes, I am the one responsible for the delicious smell of bacon, pancakes, and eggs wafting through the corridors of BVBC each Sunday Morning. I have no regrets. I have become a hero to the youth of Bella Vista through my selfless bacon charity!

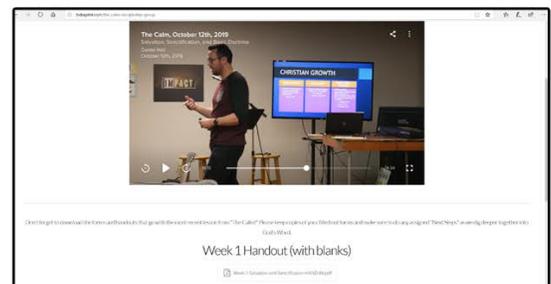
Serving breakfast each week has been a big hit! More importantly, we've been hungrily diving into God's Word together in Romans. I'm so excited about where we're headed next.

Please be in prayer for the upcoming New Year. We want to get a good calendar with some great events slated out as soon as possible. Pray that we'll find activities that our youth will enjoy and that God will continue to bless as we go deeper into His Word!



We've been so excited to begin our Saturday Evening Discipleship Group, "The Calm." We meet with teens who want to go deeper on the 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month. It's been exciting to walk with through topics like Systematic Theology, Manuscript Evidence, Sanctification, and Basic Doctrine.

But what if a teen can't attend on Saturday evening? What if they miss a week? What if you want to enjoy the class yourself? You can access everything online at bv baptist.com! All sessions are recorded and uploaded along with all of the handouts and outlines. Visit bv baptist.com and look under the "Life Groups" heading to navigate to "The Calm - Discipleship Group."



Watch each session from the convenience of your computer or mobile device!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Ashley Prathaftakis	(11/07)
Sydney Houghton	(11/26)
Gracie Weaver	(11/28)

YOUTH CAT SAYS

Happy BIRTHDAY



Music News*by Pastor Robert McGee*

One of the most difficult things to do in ministry is to strike a balance between what people like and what everyone needs. Everyone has an opinion about the way things should go based on our experience and preferences. These opinions are often different from the person sitting next to us in church. I guarantee that they are different from the person visiting our church for the first time. If that's the case, then who is right and who is wrong? Well no one is. We are all different. That is what makes a church work. Different gifts and opinions coming together to reach the most people with the gospel of Christ. Please don't get me wrong, there are Biblical truths that are definitely not open to opinion. There are also many things where we can just agree to disagree and move on for the Glory of God and His Kingdom. I like what Paul says in 1 Corinthians:

19 For though I am free from all, I have made myself a servant to all, that I might win more of them. 20 To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though not being myself under the law) that I might win those under the law. 21 To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (not being outside the law of God but under the law of Christ) that I might win those outside the law. 22 To the weak I became weak, that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that by all means I might save some. 23 I do it all for the sake of the gospel, that I may share with them in its blessings. 1 Corinthians 9:19-23

How can we be servants to all today?

Robert

Young at Heart—Senior Adult News *by Pastor Robert McGee*

If you are in the habit of skipping the article above, please circle back and read it.

Schedule for Month of November:

Movie Night- No Movie Night in November or December.

Single Seniors Alphabet Lunch- November 12th, 11am at Yeyo's - 801 SE 8th St Suite 41, Bentonville, AR 72712

Please let me know if you need a ride. I will leave the church at 10:30 am.

God Bless,
Robert

Single Seniors

ABC Lunch

November 12th, 11:00am

Yeyo's - 801 SE 8th St Suite 41,
Bentonville, AR 72712

Dear Bella Vista Baptist Church Family

I can't say "Thank you" enough for the generous outpouring of cards, encouraging words, and most importantly your prayers and thoughtfulness during these past few months. Everything was and continues to be most appreciated. There is still a little healing to do, and I count it all joy to serve here alongside of you.

For His Kingdom, Renetta McGee

Let's Talk
Women's Ministry



Our Mission Statement: As women of Bella Vista Baptist Church we seek to glorify God through events and activities which are biblically based and which encourage growth in Christlikeness.

We desire to serve with compassion and the love of Christ in our church and the community and to fulfill the Great Commission.

“Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age”. Matthew 28:19-20 (NIV)

As we begin a new church year it's beneficial to review what we as a ministry are about. The above Mission Statement helps to clarify our purpose. Everything we do should line up with our purpose.

We look forward to how this ministry will fit into the overall direction of our church as we have the leadership of a new pastor! The “fields are white unto harvest”.

We invite you to become involved in BVBC Women's Ministry to reach out to all women of NWA.

***With Blessings and Appreciation,
Jerri Mason, 479.418.9084***

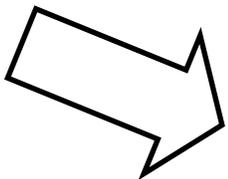


- M** ISSIONS “Women on Mission” meets Wed. November 6th, 9:00am. Contact Shirley Gilbert. “Threads of Love” meets 4th Wed. Contact Charlotte Miller for info.
- O** UTREACH to Women of Bella Vista. Invite an un-churched friend to “Food, Fun, Fellowship” - at “The Seay’s”. Mon. Nov. 11th, 6:30pm.
- S** OUL-SISTERS - Small group activities forming this fall. Contact Ashley Abernathy if you are interested in leading a group.
- A** NSWERS: Fall Bible Study of “James”. Sunday, 6:00 & Tues. 10:00. Precept: Colossians/Philemon. Begins Mon. 9:00 and 6:00 in the Conf. Room.
- I** NREACH—“Woman to Woman” - Prayer & crisis support—needs: Call Betty Burr - 479.640.5986. For Widow’s Ministry info contact Jerri.
- C** ONNECT EVENTS - **SAVE THE DATE:** “Extreme Makeover” Day Retreat February 29, 2020
Tablescapes coming Fall 20. TBA

MONDAY, NOV. 11th, 6:30

Food, Fun, Fellowship

The Seays!
38 Renfrew Dr.
BV, 72715



Bring finger food and an unchurched friend or neighbor!

(Carpooling at 6:15 from Highland Crossing which is behind the OZK Bank at the Highland Gate.)

Soul-Sisters

If you are interested in an art or music class, or book club, or playing games, or tennis or golf, etc., let Ashley Abernathy know or sign-up at the Welcome desk.



Wednesday, November 6th at 9:00am

Women on Mission special speaker will be Lisa Lovell, a NWA native and member of First Baptist, Fayetteville. Lisa has served on the International Mission Board since 2015. She has traveled extensively with the IMB visiting missionaries. She will share with us about how God is working all around the world.

Don't miss this exciting and inspiring presentation!

Devotional: Ann Behnke;
Hostesses: Mary Jo Clark & Marsha McDaniel

Thank You Church

We would like to thank everyone for their prayers, hospital visits, donations of Bibles, cards and all the good food that was brought in during the time my husband was in the hospital and after his passing to be with the Lord. Your kindness was greatly appreciated!

Shirley Mincer and Family

A very, very belated thank you to all the members of BV Baptist Church. First I want to thank you for helping me and my family celebrate my 89th birthday. Next, having been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer, I was overwhelmed with prayer-grams, calls and such beautiful and meaningful encouraging notes and cards. Lastly, I want to thank you for the love and support you have shown me during this time of healing or whatever the Lord has in mind for me.

In Christ's Love Donna Swift

A PRAYER ROOM NOTE OF THANKS! This month we are celebrating Thanksgiving. A wonderful time to remember & give thanks daily to our blessed Father, Lord & Savior Jesus Christ & the Holy Spirit for their love, kindness, help, blessing & grace which are so abundant to their children & to the Church. 1 Thess. 5:16-18 "Rejoice always, pray without ceasing; in everything give thanks; for this is God's will". I would personally like to thank all those who serve with faithful dedication in the Prayer Room: (Secretaries, Day Captains & of course all our Prayer Warriors) who show the love of Christ. You are the Heart of this ministry!

Thank You also to the Pastors, office staff, teachers & leaders who serve & also lift up this ministry in prayer. We are blessed in you!

I recently read this quote by the Rev. Billy Graham: "Before prayer changes others; it changes us". Thank you Jesus -so keep praying!

May you & yours have a most joyous day of thanks!

Praising Jesus that we can share our blessings with others.

Prayerfully, Kris Melonis (Prayer Room Director)



Church Packing Sunday, November 10th, at 5 PM.
Dinner will follow. Items to fill shoeboxes can be brought to the church. Our goal is to pack 1,500 boxes.

National Collection Week for the OCC shoeboxes is Monday, November 18th to Monday, November 25th. BVBC is a drop off location for individuals and other Churches in Bella Vista and the surrounding areas.

Guatemala Mission Trip

By the time you are reading this we will be well into our mission trip to Guatemala. The plan is to visit a medical clinic in Palin' blessing them with about 300 to 400 lbs. of medical supplies. We will be showing the movie The Jesus Film while in Palin'. It will be the first movie many have ever seen. Our next stop will be San Miguel where we will present funds for the new roof on their church. We will visit the city dump in Chimaltenago and bless the workers there as well with lunch. These places are not close together so it requires us to do a lot of traveling but it is definitely worth it. We are thankful for your prayers and because God is watching over us.

Threads of Love

We will not meet in November or December, due to the Holiday season.

Stitch-N-Chat

Join us on Sunday, November 10th from 2pm-4:30pm, in Fellowship Hall. This is a drop-in event – come for all or part of the time. All ages are welcome!



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November Birthdays 18 & Older



If you are celebrating your 50th plus anniversary this month and were not on our list, please contact the office.

- 1—Heather Brown
- 3—Chuck Ruede
- 4—Kelly Fields
- 7—Rhonda Ross
- 8—Renee Saxon, Laurie Trigg
- 9—Hudson Wilson
- 10—Marykate Maddock
- 11—Ed Pinkston
- 12—Mary Hughes
- 13—Ken Clark
- 14—Bill Gilbert
- 16—Sara Wood
- 17—David Shepherd

- 20—Phil Ridout, Stephanie Thompson
- 21—Christiane Stephenson
- 26—Rick Tramposh
- 28—Kay Cartwright, Brad Gooding, Julie Hettel, Glen Sitton, Hilda Whalen
- 29—Angie Castor, Dorothy Foster
- 30—Katy Reid

**FOR THOSE SENDING CARDS,
BIRTHDAYS FROM
December 1ST—5TH**

- 1—Danny Garey
- 3—Steve Halman, Alice Mead
- 4—Tosha Sherman
- 5—Leann Houghton