



By the Cross We Care
One Person at a Time

Barcelona Banner

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**INTERNATIONAL
DAY
DECEMBER 3**

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NOVEMBER MEMORY VERSE

"Grace to you and peace
from God our Father and
the Lord Jesus Christ."

1 Corinthians 1:3,
NKJV

**CHURCH OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED FOR
THANKSGIVING NOVEMBER 22-24.**

HAVE A BLESSED HOLIDAY!

From my heart to yours:

2024 Church Budget



The congregation will be called into brief business session at the conclusion of Morning Worship on November 5 to vote on the 2024 Operating Budget. The proposed budget is \$572,861 and represents a slight increase over the current 2023 budget. Thank you for your faithful giving to the programs and ministries of the church.

The Importance of Giving Thanks

A story is told about a monastery where all of the brothers took a disciplined vow of total silence. In their journey of complete obedience, they were not allowed to speak a single word. There was, however, one exception. Once every five years, they were permitted to speak two words to the Abbot who headed the order.

A new monk arrived at the monastery to begin his service. After five years, he went to the Abbot's office to speak his first two words. His words were, "Food bad!" He then got up from his chair and left. Five years later, he returned to speak again. This time, his words were, "Bed hard!" After another five year period, he returned for a third time. Now his two words were, "Want out!"

"Well, I'm certainly not surprised," said the Abbot. "All you've ever done since you've been here is to complain." As we look around our world, there are lots of things we can complain about. But there is also much to be thankful for!

Benjamin Franklin recalled an experience from his boyhood. He told about the old salt barrel that stood in the corner of the kitchen. Meat was taken from the barrel daily to provide for the family's needs. Franklin's father prayed at every meal: "Thank thee, Father, for the meat thou hast laid before us." One day young Ben managed enough courage to suggest: "Father, why don't we say thanks for the

whole barrel at one time and be done with it?" Commenting on this experience years later, Franklin said he would never forget the stern rebuke of his father for such presumptuous ingratitude!

We observe Thanksgiving Day once each year. We dump the blessings of 364 days into one Thanksgiving Day and piously express our gratitude to God. It would be much more appropriate to set aside one day each year for grumbling and complaining and reserve the remaining 364 days for thanksgiving. We need to be thankful not just now but throughout the year.

Moses in Deuteronomy shared an appropriate word. "When you have eaten and are satisfied, praise the Lord your God for the good land he has given you. Be careful that you do not forget the Lord your God, failing to observe his commands, his laws and his decrees that I am giving you this day. Otherwise, when you eat and are satisfied, when you build fine houses and settle down, and when your herds and flocks grow large and your silver and gold increase and all you have is multiplied, then your heart will become proud and you will forget the Lord your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery" (Deuteronomy 8:10-14, NIV).

Like the Israelites, we need to remember to thank God from whom all blessings flow!

Your Pastor,

Jon M. Stubblefield

Attendance & Finances

	SS	Sun AM	Wed.
9/03/23	99	127	80
9/10/23	115	139	64
9/17/23	105	120	65
9/24/23	107	118	60

SEPT. BUDGET RECEIPTS: \$43,981.73



01—Bradley Alfonso
 01—Bill Bettis
 01—Ray Drake
 02—Laurrel Oliver
 03—Susan Felder
 03—Joshua Kazanovicz
 07—Carol Fincher
 09—Priscilla Gullion
 17—Mary Dillard
 21—Ed McCluer
 21—Ann Webb
 22—Rodney Nations
 23—Dean Estoll
 23—Ida McCluer
 27—Barbara Kral
 27—Glenn Tomlinson
 29—Mike Stefanski
 30—Linda Banks



01—Brian and Christie Rimmer
 02—Shelvie and Mary Scales
 06—Billy Ray and Kristy Woolsey
 18—Ron and Joanne Kunath
 20—Ken and Phyllis Shaddix

 The logo for Operation Christmas Child, featuring the words "OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD" in green and white text on a green background. A small circular logo with a shoebox and a star is also visible.

**OPERATION
CHRISTMAS
CHILD**



Please consider giving to the Shoebox Ministry. DEADLINE IS NOVEMBER 12.
 Because the team buys in bulk, \$21 will fill and ship one box. Make checks payable to Barcelona Road Baptist Church with a note that it goes to "Shoeboxes" or "Operation Christmas Child".



Norma Jean Myers
 October 7, 2023

Lotte Willett
 October 7, 2023



**NOVEMBER 7
CONFERENCE ROOM
6:00 PM**

THIRD THURSDAY FELLOWSHIP AND GAME DAY

NOVEMBER 16, 2023, 10:00 AM—2:00 PM

BRING A SACK LUNCH AND MEET IN THE YOUTH
FELLOWSHIP HALL ACROSS FROM LIBRARY

For more information, call
Joanne Kunath, 501-226-5844



NOVEMBER 5

**2024 FLOWER CALENDAR**

The flower calendar for the year 2024 is on the Fellowship hall bulletin board. If you would like to donate flowers, you may sign up there or call the church office at 501-922-0692 or send an email to brbc3office@att.net.

Be sure to say who you would like to honor or remember, or if it's a special occasion such as birthday or anniversary.

NOVEMBER 2023



	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 1:15 Staff Meeting 3:30 Children/Youth 6:00 Prayer Service 7:00 Choir Practice	2	3 10:30 Grief Group	4
5 DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship Service	6 3:30 Handbell Choir	7 9:30 Ladies Bible Study 6:00 Deacons Meeting	8 1:15 Staff Meeting 3:30 Children/Youth 6:00 Prayer Service 7:00 Choir Practice	9	10 10:30 Grief Group	11 VETERANS DAY
12 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship Service/ Veteran's Emphasis	13 3:30 Handbell Choir	14 9:30 Ladies Bible Study	15 1:15 Staff Meeting 3:30 Children/Youth 6:00 Prayer Service 7:00 Choir Practice	16 10:00 Third Thurs- day Game Group	17 10:30 Grief Group	18
19 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship Service 2:00 Lotte Willett Memorial Service	20 3:30 Handbell Choir	21 9:30 Ladies Bible Study	22 NO SERVICE	23 THANKSGIVING	24	25
				OFFICES CLOSED		
26 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship Service	27 3:30 Handbell Choir	28 9:30 Ladies Bible Study	29 1:15 Staff Meeting 3:30 Children/Youth 4:45 Thanksgiving-Potluck 6:00 Prayer Service 6:50 Choir Practice	30		

Annual Church Picnic

On September 17 at Balboa Pavilion, a group of 67 members and friends enjoyed a beautiful day and fellowship together. The trio "Premier Sound" provided entertainment to the delight of those present. They closed with a rousing rendition of "God Bless the USA" (I'm Proud to Be an American).



INTERNATIONAL MISSION DAY

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2023

FOR THE

LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING FOR
INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS

OUR GOAL: \$13,000



Morning Worship 10:30 AM featuring Rev. Elton Gray, guest speaker.

Elton is a retired missionary who served in Okinawa for 25 years.

Elton served our church as Associate Pastor for 15 years, having retired in 2014.

ALL-CHURCH DINNER WILL FOLLOW THE WORSHIP SERVICE.

DINNER IS FREE, BUT RESERVATIONS REQUIRED - CALL CHURCH OFFICE

MENU: SMOKED CHICKEN AND ALL THE TRIMMINGS/DESSERT

A ONE-DAY OPPORTUNITY TO GIVE OUR GOAL (\$13,000)

EVERYONE WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO GIVE TO THE OFFERING
EITHER BY

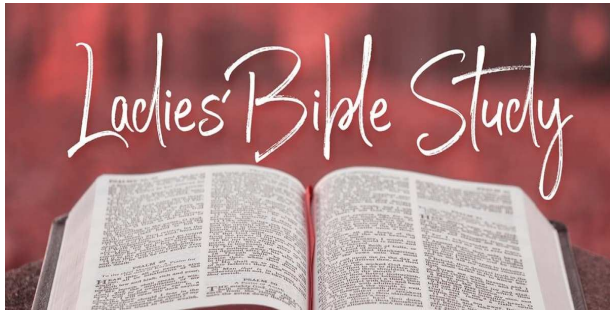
- AN ACTUAL FINANCIAL GIFT ON THIS DAY OR
 - REGISTER A COMMITMENT CARD INDICATING THE AMOUNT OF GIFT
- To be given by December 31, 2023*

THIS COMMITMENT CARD MAY BE CHANGED UP/DOWN OR DELETED BY
DECEMBER 31, SHOULD CIRCUMSTANCES WARRANT. FINANCIAL GIFTS AND
COMMITMENT CARDS WILL BE PUT IN A SEALED ENVELOPE AND WILL BE KEPT
CONFIDENTIAL.

DINNER WILL NOT LAST LONG, BUT FILLED WTH LOTS OF FELLOWSHIP & FUN.



VETERANS DAY
NOVEMBER 11



Join us as we study the book of
ACTS

**Tuesdays, 9:30-11:30 —Fellowship
Hall**

Led by Ruth Manweiler

Coffee and cookies are provided. Join old friends and new as you learn more about the Acts of the Apostles. Contact the church office for more information.

MUSIC MINISTRY



WANTED! Ringers and Singers! Ringing on Mondays at 3:30 and Singing on Wednesdays at 7:00.

Low pay. Excellent benefits of shared friendship and ministry. No experience required.

We are forming a *Right to Life Team* whose responsibility will be to keep the congregation updated and informed regarding abortion issues and to, yearly, put up and take down the white cross display that is placed on the church lawn. If you are interested in serving on this team, call the church office or see/call/text 501-837-3636 for Willard Zeiser.



Right to Life



The **Crosses for Life Memorial** is a traveling display of approximately 4,000 small white crosses to represent the deaths of unborn children killed by legal abortion every day in America and to bring awareness to this tragic loss of human life. Barcelona Road Baptist Church is happy to play a small part in this worthy cause again this year.



Library News

"I give thanks to you, O Lord my God, with my whole heart, and I will glorify your name forever." - Psalm 86:12

We are thankful for new books and DVDs!

From Janette Oke:

When Comes the Spring - Elizabeth, a cultured young schoolteacher from the East, has braved the western frontier and spent a year teaching in a one-room schoolhouse. She and Wynn are planning their wedding and their new life together at his outpost in the far north. While Wynn is accustomed to life in the north, Elizabeth is not. Can their love for each other sustain them through a harsh winter, loneliness, and rigors of life without any of the conveniences they're used to?

When Tomorrow Comes - Christine is recovering from a broken heart and finds solace in helping her adored brother Henry settle into married life. The "call of the North" tugs at her, making one young man's interest in her doubly attractive--but also filling her with uncertainty. Is Christine willing to give up her dreams of living in the North and let God help her choose a lifelong love?

My Heart Remembers by Kim Vogel Sawyer— At a tender age, Maelle, Mattie, and Molly Gallagher's parents are killed in an apartment fire. The three orphans are put on a westbound train to be adopted out. Their only ties to home are the family Bible, a photo, and a stack of letters exchanged by their parents. When the three siblings are separated, will they ever be able to find each other again?

DVD:

A Family Thanksgiving (Daphne Zuniga, Faye Dunaway) - Claudia is a workaholic who wants more than anything to make partner at her law firm. To accomplish her goal, she has put everyone and everything else on the backburner. But when a mysterious woman uses a bit of magic to help Claudia realize what she's been missing, she gets a serious dose of reality. Transported into a life unlike her own—complete with a husband, kids and a minivan—she must cope with her new responsibilities. At first, Claudia tries to implement the strategies that served her well in the corporate world. But when she realizes that this new life requires a little more heart and a little less heavy-handedness, she begins to see that her old ways weren't so great after all.



Kay Dierks, Librarian

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The Barcelona Banner is published monthly to keep members informed about programs of the church and to report news about its members.

**Deadline for articles is the
fifteenth of each month.**

You may e-mail your articles to
brbc3office@att.net or bring to the
church office.

If you are moving, have an email or phone number change, please contact the church office so your records can be changed.

Schedule of Services:

Sunday Services:

Sunday School - 9:30 AM
Sanctuary Worship Service - 10:30 AM

Wednesday Evening:

Children/Youth - 3:30 PM
(During school year)
Prayer Service - 6:00 PM
Choir Rehearsal - 7:00 PM

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