

By the Cross We Care

One Person at a Time







DECEMBER 8 See page 4 for details.

MEMORY VERSE

"O give thanks unto the Lord for he is good; because his mercy endureth forever." ~Psalm 118:1



THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED NOVEMBER 28-29.

No Prayer Service on Wednesday, November 27.

From my heart to yours:

Remembering Felix Manz

Sometimes we need to pause and express gratitude for those who sacrificed to give us the religious freedoms we enjoy, particularly those who are part of our Baptist background. One such person is Felix Manz.



Felix was born in Zurich, Switzerland around 1498 and died in 1527. As a young man, he acquired a thorough knowledge of Hebrew, Greek, and Latin. At first, he joined a group of Reformers led by Huldrych Zwingli. But over a period of time as he studied the Scriptures, he began to question Zwingli's positions on the mass, the intertwined church and state connections, and infant baptism.

Felix became convinced that infant baptism was inadequate and the focus should be on believer's baptism, that is on the basis of a person's profession of faith in Christ as Savior and Lord. Felix and other followers became known as Anabaptists (those who baptize again).

On March 7, 1526, the Zurich religious council sponsored by the state passed an edict that made adult rebaptism punishable by drowning. Anabaptists were also commanded to have their children baptized in short order. Later, on January 5, 1527, Felix Manz at less than thirty years of age became the first person put to death as a result of the edict. He was the first Swiss Anabaptist to be martyred at the hands of other Protestants.

At 3 pm as he was led from prison as he praised God and preached to his supporters. Manz's mother and brother encouraged him to be strong as he prepared to suffer for Jesus' sake. Taken into a boat onto the River Lamat at Lake Zurich, his hands were bound and pulled behind his knees and a pole placed between them. There he was drowned. The last words of condemnation were, "So you want to be baptized, we will baptize you." His last words were, "Into thy hands, O God, I commend my spirit."

A hymn written by Felix Manz has been preserved. The seven lines of the first stanza are: "With gladness will I now sing. My heart delights in God, who showed me such forbearance, that I from death was saved, which never hath an end. I praise Thee Christ in heaven, who all my sorrow changed."

As we prepare to celebrate Thanksgiving, let us express our gratitude for Felix Manz and others who gave their lives for the religious freedoms we experience.

Budget Adoption

On Sunday morning, November 3, we will vote on the 2025 church budget. You have received a copy of the budget and it was discussed in Business Meeting on October 23. Thank you for your commitment and generosity in supporting the ministries and mission programs of the church.

In the words of William Carey, "Expect great things from God; attempt great things for God."

Your Pastor,

Jon Stubblefield

P	Attenda	nce & Finances	5	_
	SS	Sun AM	Wed.	
09/01/24	102	122	49	
09/08/24	108	129	44	
09/15/24	89	114	62	
09/22/24	105	136	52	
09/29/24	103	133	57	

SEPTEMBER BUDGET RECEIPTS: \$55,568.74



01—Ray Drake 21—Ann Webb

01—Bill Bettis 21—Ed McCluer

01—Bradley Alfonso 22—Rodney Nations

02—Laurrel Oliver 23—Ida McCluer

03—Joshua Kazanovicz 23—Dean Estoll

07—Carol Fincher 27—Barbara Kral

09—Priscilla Gullion 30—Linda Banks

17—Mary Dillard 30—Julie Maricle



01—Brian and Christie Rimmer

02—Shelvie and Mary Scales

06—Billy Ray and Kristy Woolsey

20—Ken and Phyllis Shaddix



NOVEMBER 19—8:00 A.M. YOUTH FELLOWSHIP HALL





SHOE BOX DEDICATION DAY— SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17

Thanks to you, we are sending over 360 shoeboxes this year. We will be tracking 100 of them, which will give us a better picture of how our gifts impact children's lives.



TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5—6:00 P.M.



DUE TO THE THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY, THERE WILL BE NO POTLUCK DINNER THIS MONTH



INTERNATIONAL MISSION DAY

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2024

FOR THE

LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING FOR INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS

OUR CHURCH GOAL: \$14,000

Morning Worship 10:30 AM featuring Adam and Millie Johnson, guest speakers.

Adam Johnson is a global digital engagement strategist serving churches and missionary teams in some of the least reached countries of the world by helping them with a comprehensive strategy to win the lost, disciple believers, and starting churches. Adam and his wife, together with their children served in Asia, living in China for 10 years and Vietnam for 12. They returned to the U.S. in 2023 for Adam to transition to his current global role.

They are based in Little Rock, AR.

ALL-CHURCH DINNER WILL FOLLOW THE WORSHIP SERVICE.

DINNER IS FREE, BUT RESERVATIONS REQUIRED - CALL CHURCH OFFICE

MENU: TURKEY AND DRESSING AND ALL THE TRIMMINGS/DESSERT

A ONE-DAY OPPORTUNITY TO REACH OUR \$14,000 GOAL

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, 2024

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.





	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship Service	4 3:30 Handbell Choir	5 9:30 Ladies' Bible Study 6:00 Deacons Meeting	6 1:15 Staff Meeting 3:30 Children/Youth 6:00 Prayer Service 7:00 Choir Practice	7	8	9
10 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship Service REMEMBRANCE DAY	11 VETERANS DAY 3:30 Handbell Choir	12 9:30 Ladies' Bible Study	13 1:15 Staff Meeting 3:30 Children/Youth 6:00 Prayer Service 7:00 Choir Practice	14	15	16
17 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship Service SHOE BOX DEDICATION	18 3:30 Handbell Choir	19 8:00 Men's Bible Study 9:30 Ladies' Bible Study	20 1:15 Staff Meeting 3:30 Children/Youth 6:00 Prayer Service 7:00 Choir Practice	21	22	23
24 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship Service	25	26 9:30 Ladies' Bible Study	27 No Service	28 Office Closed	29 Office Closed	30

WELCOME NEW MEMBER Clip and insert into your directory



Sue Havenstrite 121 Cortez Road, Apt. 355 903-578-3845

Sue moved to Hot Springs Village from Mount Pleasant, TX, in March 2024. She learned about BRBC from her neighbor, JoAnne Fulton.

Sue's career included working as a secretary to District Attorney Henry Wade, and later for Federal Judge Joe Ester.

A proud grandmother, Sue has children and grandchildren in Hot Springs; Belize; New York; Florida; Spicewood, Texas; and Gig Harbor, Washington.

Sue's husband, Almon L. Havenstrite, who passed away at the beginning of the COVID epidemic, was a Federal Probation Officer.

Sue is a member of the New Horizons Sunday School class.

Welcome to the BRBC family, Sue!

Library News

Ordinary Angels by Sharon Stevens Evans – The amazing true story about the hairdresser who inspired a city to save a little girl's life, a first-hand account of the miracle that played out in front of millions worldwide. The lives of two little girls intertwine, each marked by tragedies, challenges, and breathtaking rescues. Both girls grow up to touch the world in ways they never imagined and would not wish upon anyone. In a script seemingly written by heavenly hands, two girls from two different generations one day end up rescuing each other—in an almost unbelievable way. Now a major motion picture starring Hilary Swank and Alan Ritchson.

Santa Cruise: A Holiday Mystery At Sea by Mary & Carol Higgins Clark — Alvirah Meehan, the lottery winner turned amateur sleuth; recently "hitched" private detective Regan Reilly; and their husbands Willy and Jack, are guests on the Royal Mermaid's maiden voyage, the Santa Cruise. The cruise is Commodore Randolph Weed's gift to a select group of people who made the world a better place in the last year. He doesn't know that his nephew, Eric, has smuggled two escaping criminals on board. As the Royal Mermaid sails through troubled waters, Alvirah and Regan uncover clues that lead them to the dangerous men who were not on the original guest list! Filled with suspense and humor, Santa Cruise is a holiday mystery you won't want to miss. Join the Clarks' as they bring this unpredictable voyage to a hair-raising and heartwarming conclusion and ring in the New Year.

Lastly, we switched out all the FREE BOOKS on the tables. So make sure to get all you want!



Christie Rimmer and Kay Dierks, Librarians 27 October 2024

Dr. Jon Stubblefield, Pastor Barcelona Road Baptist Church Hot Springs Village, Arkansas

Dear Jon,

It has been a privilege to call you friend for almost 40 years. Your friendship and counsel have been the most precious of earthly treasures.

The time has come for us to devote ourselves to the most important task before us — that of doting grandparents.

We want to be the grandparents in the bleachers screaming as loudly as we can for the home team, even when they are hopelessly behind. We want to be the grandparents who go to every dance and piano recital, smiling outwardly even if the performance is not quite ready for prime time.

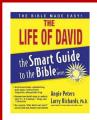
We'll be the grandparents who tell the kids that pizza and ice cream are perfectly good choices for breakfast.

And we will always treasure the friends we've made at Barcelona Road Baptist Church for the rest of our lives, so grateful to have shared our lives with all of you for a season.

Our final Sunday here will be December 15. On December 16 I can be found, reluctantly, behind the wheel of a U-Haul truck. But, given the route I'll take, I'll most likely stop at each of the 9 Dairy Queens between here and there.

Sincerely,

Benjie (and Connie)



LADIES BIBLE STUDY
TUESDAYS AT 9:30 A.M.,
LEARN MORE ABOUT ONE OF THE
GREAT HEROES OF THE BIBLE — DAVID!!



VETERANS RECOGNITION—NOVEMBER 10



Wear your red, white, and blue and come help celebrate, honor, and say thank you to our veterans, especially those from BRBC.

If you are a veteran or have one in your family, we would like to borrow a framed photo of the Armed Forces member in uniform to be displayed in the sanctuary. With this photo, we will prepare a card stating the veteran's name, rank, branch of service, and time served.

Please provide the photo and service information to Kaye Leeper or the church office NO LATER THAN NOVEMBER 3.

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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 <u>fifteenth</u> of each month.

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

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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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday through Thursday: 8:30 AM—2:30 PM Friday: 8:30 AM—11:30 AM