



2024

FALL CONNECTION GUIDE

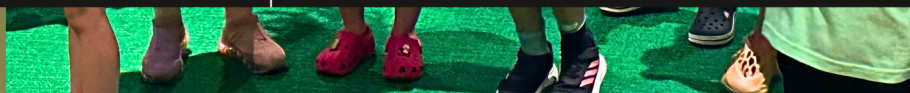


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WELCOME TO BEREAN

We are a community of Christ followers enjoying God together, growing in grace and truth, and taking life in Christ to the heart of Ohio and beyond.

NEW HERE?

We would love to meet you, learn your name, and hear your story. Stop by the Connection Center on Sunday in the lobby or fill out our online contact card with the QR code below.



TAKE A STEP

This is a call to action for everyone who calls Berean home to move closer to Jesus in their faith journey. This fall, we invite you to take a step towards a deeper relationship with Christ.

Take a step and **serve** alongside us, making a tangible difference in the lives of others.

Take a step and **join** a group or growth class, fostering fellowship and spiritual growth.

Take a step and **give** financially to support the incredible work God is doing at Berean.



Need Prayer?

Join us every Wednesday at 6pm in Pastor Dan's office where one of our Pastors or Elders will be available to pray for you.

That time doesn't work? Email us at prayer@bereanfamily.com

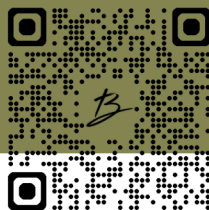
Looking to connect with
someone on staff?
Scan the QR code below!



GET CONNECTED



HERE ARE FEW WAYS YOU
CAN TAKE A STEP WITH US!



CONNECTION LUNCH

Are you newer to Berean and want to meet some of the pastors and staff? Bring the family and join us for lunch on **Sunday, September 22** at 12:30pm in the Student Center!

NEXT STEPS CLASS

Want to find out what we are all about? Want to know what your next steps are with Christ or Berean? Join us for our Next Steps Class beginning **Sunday, September 29** at 9:15am in room 213.

JOIN A GROUP OR GROWTH CLASS


We believe every person, no matter their stage of life or growth, needs to be a part of a community. We have groups and classes for all ages and seasons of life.

SERVE

You can use the gifts God has given you to work with kids or students, greet people on Sundays, help in the cafe, serve on the worship or tech team, deliver meals or many other areas.

FALL HIGHLIGHTS


Here are a few
events that you
won't want to miss!



Wednesdays At Berean

KICK-OFF NIGHT!
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11
6:30PM

Kids Ministry • Student Ministry • Adult Ministry



Wednesdays at Berean

There's something for everyone in the family! Don't miss this fantastic opportunity to connect, learn and take a step together!



Quarterly
**BUSINESS
MEETING**

Sunday, September 15
6:30pm
Sanctuary



Business Meeting

Join us to hear all the exciting things happening at Berean, including voting on our revised constitution! All members are encouraged to attend.

Connection Lunch

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Real Men's Breakfast

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BEREAN MEN'S EVENT



Saturday,
October 12

REAL

8:30AM

Men's Breakfast



SAVE THE DATE!

Ladies Event

WORTHY



Thursday, November 7



Worthy

Ladies, join us for an evening of encouragement with a light dinner, local handcraft vendors, shopping, giveaways and fellowship as we explore how every woman's worth is found in Christ alone.



Full event details here

BEREAN KIDS

Birth-5th Grade

Sundays at 9:15 & 11am

Wednesdays at 6:30pm



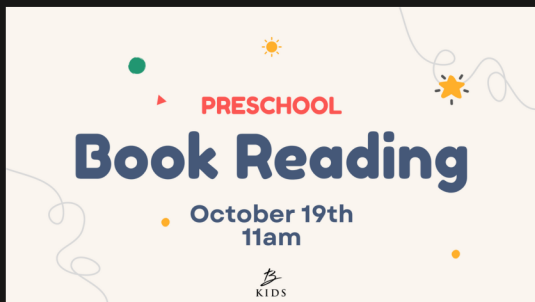
Berean Kids exists to partner with your family in discipling the next generation of Jesus-followers. We gather for kids to enjoy God together, grow in grace and truth, and to tell others about life in Christ.



ADVENTURE CLUB KICK-OFF

It's "Game On" as we kickoff Adventure Club for the 2024-2025 school year!

Kids from birth through 5th Grade will experience a night of fun and engaging activities and Bible study.



PRESCHOOL BOOK READING

Local author and Berean member, Kris Sparks joins us for a reading of her book *The Crocodile's Smile*. Preschoolers will enjoy story time, snacks, and activities specifically designed to engage their senses and convey the truth that God has made each person special, just the way He wanted!



COSTUMES & CANDY NIGHT

Lions, tigers, and...princesses? Oh, my! You never know what you'll see at our Costumes & Candy Night. Your kids can dress in their favorite costume and go home with a special treat bag. **No scary or inappropriate costumes, please!*



MOVIE NIGHT

Lights, camera, action! Get ready for a cinematic adventure. Kids will gather with their age and grade-level groups to watch a movie, complete with tasty movie snacks! Check your tickets and silence your phones; it's going to be a great night!



FULL BEREAN KIDS DETAILS HERE

JOIN OUR VOLUNTEER TEAM!

Join us in making a difference with Berean Kids!

As a volunteer, you'll have the incredible opportunity to witness children coming to know Jesus or growing closer to Him.

Help us impact the next generation of the Church by serving in the nursery, with preschoolers, or elementary-aged kids.

Whether you choose to be a teacher or a helper, your contribution is invaluable. You can serve on Wednesdays or Sundays, making a lasting impact on young hearts and minds.

BEREAN STUDENTS

6th-12th Grade

Sundays at 9:15

Wednesdays at 6:30pm



We GATHER to enjoy God together, we GROW in grace and truth through the study of the Word and small group time, and GO into the world to be a light in the heart of Ohio and beyond.

Pre-Register for Berean Students

It's that time again! Pre-register your students so that they are ready to go for Wednesday Student Gathering on September 11th!



6th Grade Welcome Lunch

Incoming 6th graders and your parents (siblings welcome as well), join us for a welcome lunch so that you can hear all you need to know about Berean Students. We can't wait to welcome you and bring you into our Student Ministry!
RSVP by September 5th.



FULL BEREAN STUDENTS DETAILS HERE



Wednesday Kick-Off

Join us every Wednesday for our mid-week Student Gathering. Our gatherings offer fellowship, fun games, worship, Bible teaching, and small group time for 6th-12th grade.



JH Fall Retreat

Junior Highers! Don't miss Fall Retreat in November at Otyokwah—a weekend of fun, growth in Christ, and small group community. Early Bird price is \$99 until October 16th, then \$120.



High School Winter Retreat

We're heading back to the Castle! Register your 9-12th graders for our 2025 Winter Retreat, January 17-19 in Franklin, PA. Don't miss this amazing time with friends seeking Jesus! Early Bird price is \$125 until December 18th, then \$150.

ADULT MINISTRY

Groups & Growth Classes

WEDNESDAY EVENING GROWTH CLASSES

Beginning Wednesday,
September 11, 6:30pm



BIBLICAL FINANCES

BEGINNING
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11
6:30PM

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Join Drew Shaarda and dive into biblical principles for managing finances wisely in our practical study on financial stewardship.



HEBREWS

BEGINNING
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11
6:30PM

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Join Mike Weaver and explore the teachings of Hebrews as he uncovers timeless truths about faith, perseverance, and the supremacy of Christ.



**LOVE
LOVE
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LIKE YOU
MEAN IT!
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LOVE**

**THE HEART OF A
MARRIAGE THAT
HONORS GOD**

**BEGINNING
SEPTEMBER 11
6:30PM**

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Join Zack & Kelly Canfield as they look at true love in marriage by walking through 1 Corinthians 13:4-8.

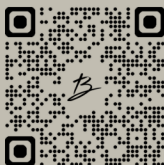


DIVORCE *Care*

Beginning Wednesday, September 11
6:30pm

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DivorceCare is a divorce recovery support group where you can find help and healing for the hurt of separation and divorce.



Sign-up here!

GROWTH CLASSES

Check out additional
Growth Classes offered
throughout the week!



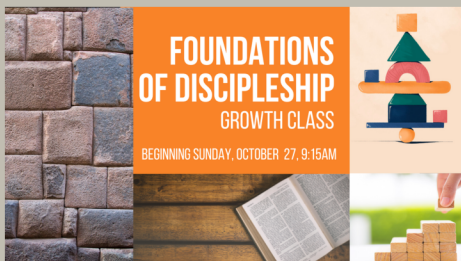
Ladies, join Carol Platner for a Bible study on the Names of God, with a special focus on how they are revealed in Jesus.

Can't make the morning class?

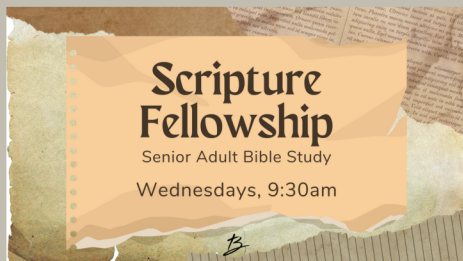
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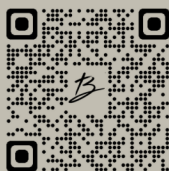
Newer to Berean and want to learn more? Discover your next steps with Christ, the church, and serving at our Next Steps Class!



Join Pastor Phil for this 8 week class and discover the shape of a disciple and how to be a better disciple maker.



Senior adults are welcome as we gather in the chapel for a time of fellowship, prayer, singing a hymn or two and studying God's Word together. Don't forget to bring your Bible!



Scan for more details

BEREAN GROUPS

Groups are offered both at Berean and in homes throughout the week. Below are a few options.



The season of motherhood can be exhausting, lonely, and overwhelming. But it can also be filled with joy, love, excitement, and so much more! We want to come alongside you through every phase of motherhood and grow, support, and fellowship together!

WYATT & MIRANDA CLEMENS GROUP

Sundays, 9:15am, room 215

Berean Kids available

Join us for a time of community, fellowship, and growth in grace and truth. Whether you're just starting out in your career, newly married, or navigating the joys of early family life, our group welcomes you. See you there!

WAYNE & VERA MULLET GROUP

Sundays Evening - Home-Based Group

We're thrilled to invite you to the launch of a brand new home-based Group, specifically for those 40 and over in Ashland and surrounding areas!

Join us for a time of fellowship, meaningful discussions, and prayer.

SONRISERS - BILL HEATON

Sundays, 8am, Room 212

Join us for a discussion of our daily Bible reading. This group is reading the Daily Chronological Bible which involves 15 minutes of daily reading to read through the Bible in a year. We'll discuss what we've read and encourage each other on what God has shown us.

PRAYER & PRAISE GROUP

Wednesdays 6:30pm, Room 212

Put your faith into practice by praying for the needs of Berean and its people. Join us for prayer, praise, hymn singing, and a study in 1st & 2nd Peter.



See the full list of Groups here

ADULT MINISTRY EVENTS



Real Men's Breakfast

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Worthy

Ladies, join us for an evening of encouragement with a light dinner, local handcraft vendors, shopping, giveaways, fellowship and an inspiring message as we explore how every woman's worth is found in Christ alone.



Senior Adult Bus Trip

October 16-17

Don't miss our senior adult overnight bus trip to Shipshewana—space is limited, so sign up soon!

Senior Game Days

November 7 & 21, 1-3pm

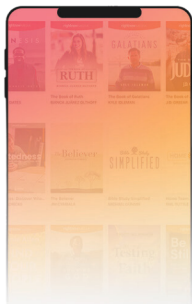
Join us for Senior Adult Game Day, where you'll enjoy games, tasty snacks, and great fellowship!

Here are other ways to take a step to grow closer to Jesus.



MOODY
Bible Institute™

Berean attenders and members can enjoy a 20% tuition discount for online classes at Moody Bible Institute. For more details, email info@bereanfamily.com.



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