



Dear Friends,

Good morning, and welcome to Bible Center! We're glad you've joined us today. If you're new here, please make yourself at home. We hope you'll stop by the Living Room (room 2101) to receive a small gift of appreciation.



It was a joy to hear Pastor Spradling's sermon online last week. He enthusiastically kicked off our August series with the prayer of Jabez (1 Chronicles 4:9-10). If you missed it, let me invite you to check out the video online.

While resting on vacation, the Lord impressed me with this thought about Bible Center's future: "Dream no small dreams, for they stir not the hearts of men and women."

Every great accomplishment began as a dream. As Franklin Covey stated years ago, "All things are created twice. There's a mental (first) creation and a physical (second) creation." God invites us to

allow our minds to wander outside the boundaries of what is and to imagine what could be.

For the early church, dreaming big dreams and praying big prayers went hand in hand. Impossible odds drove them to request unimaginable things from God.

What burdens challenge you this morning? May this worship service inspire us all to dream bigger dreams and pray bigger prayers!

Pastor Matt

Matt Friend
SENIOR PASTOR

@PastorMattBCC

NEXT SUNDAY'S MESSAGE:

"Why Pray for Daily Bread?"
Matthew 6:11

Announcements

Support Bible Center School... It's as Easy as 1-2-3!

Please take a moment to review the postcard that was placed on or near your seat. Keep it or give it to a friend as a reminder of how easy it can be to assist BCS children all year long.



Aftercare Help Needed

Bible Center School is looking for individuals sixteen years old and over to work in the aftercare program. He/She will work alongside another more experienced employee on weekdays, 3:15-5:30 PM. Contact Josh Bacchus at (304) 941-1704 or jabacchus@BibleCenterChurch.com to apply.

AWANA Volunteers

Do you enjoy working with children and seeing a side of church that you don't often see? Then be an AWANA Volunteer! Duties vary and you can serve 1-4 times/month. You'll be blessed by helping the next generation grow in the Lord! A free background check is required. If you're interested, check the box on the Communication Tab.

Global Outreach Committee Meeting

Today • 2:00 PM • Room 2104

Girlfriends Serve 2gether

Volunteers are needed for the Fall Event. Could you serve by greeting, decorating, helping the WAR boutique or serving refreshments? Let us know by signing up at the Missions Wall today. Then join us at 3 PM this afternoon in Room 3105/06 for an All-Volunteer Meeting.

Baptismal Class

Tomorrow • 6:30 PM • Room 2104 • If you're interested in being baptized, we ask that you attend this special Baptismal class. Come with your salvation testimony written out and bring a photo or be prepared to have one taken. **The next baptism service, on September 11, will be an outdoor baptism!** Contact Pastor Thompson at rthompson@BibleCenterChurch.com or check the "Baptism" box on the Communication Tab.

Girlfriends Grow 2gether: An Epic Adventure

September 16-17 • The early bird price for both days is \$40 and includes a \$10 coupon for the WAR Boutique. **Rates go up after August 15**, so stop by the table in the Gathering Space today!

Drivers Wanted for Bible Center School

BCS is looking for mini-bus drivers on a rotating basis. A CDL is not required. If you're interested, contact Josh Bacchus at (304) 941-1704 or jabacchus@BibleCenterChurch.com.

AWANA Club (K-5th Grade)

Club starts August 17, and meets every Wednesday night at 6:30-8:00 PM. If you would like to enroll your child in AWANA, check the box on the Communication Tab or contact Pastor Thompson at rthompson@BibleCenterChurch.com.

Bible Center Bikers Ride 'n Dine

Saturday, August 20 • 10:30 AM pull out • Southridge Campus parking lot • Join us for a great ride and fellowship to Fayetteville, WV! All riders are welcome and we'll have lunch there. For more information call Kent or Carol Rymer at (304) 766-6492 or email Kent at kjrymer@gmail.com.

Food Items Needed For Crossroads

Sign up on BC Central or contact Sheri Skidmore (sskidmore@BibleCenterChurch.com) to donate items for the UM Crossroads Dinner & Gospel Service. The dinner will be prepared on Thursday, August 25 solely from the food collected here. Items must be received by August 24. Volunteers are also needed to prepare and to serve.

Night of Activity (3rd-5th Grades)

Friday, August 26 • 6:30-9:00 PM • \$15/child • Invite a friend and join us for a night of lazer tag, belly bumpers and sponge dodgeball! Food will also be served. To register, fill out a flyer available at North & South Check-In Stations or online.

Hymn Sing

Sunday, August 28 • 6 PM • Gathering Space • Come out for a night of worship as we sing some of our favorite hymns together!

Red Cross Blood Drive

Monday, August 29 • 9 AM-2 PM • the RIM • The Red Cross has notified us of an urgent need for blood donations. To donate, make an appointment at RedCrossBlood.org and enter "BCC" in the search field. Donors will also receive a free t-shirt.

Save the Date: Church on the Levee

Sunday, September 25 • 10:30 AM • Haddad Riverfront Park • This will be combined, single church service. More details to come.

Do You Know a College-Age Student?

The Care Ministry would love to send cards to students from Bible Center Church! If you are—or if you know of—someone attending college or other post-secondary institution, fill out the Communication Tab or email Wanda Casto (wandawv@frontier.com). Include the student's name, school and address, major, year in school, email, mobile number, and birthday.

I'm interested in...

<input type="checkbox"/> Becoming a follower of Jesus	<input type="checkbox"/> Volunteering	<input type="checkbox"/> Placing my child in the Children's Ministry and/or AWANA (Birth-5th Gr.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Participate the Prayer Anointing (8/21)
<input type="checkbox"/> Baptism	<input type="checkbox"/> Adult Bible Fellowships (Adult Sunday School)	<input type="checkbox"/> Placing my teen in the Student Ministry (6th-12th Gr.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Volunteering for AWANA
<input type="checkbox"/> Church Membership	<input type="checkbox"/> Community Groups	<input type="checkbox"/> Touring or enrolling my child at Bible Center School (Preschool • Elementary • Middle)	<input type="checkbox"/> Submitting a name of a student that would like a card. (List name and info below.)
<input type="checkbox"/> Speaking to a Pastor	<input type="checkbox"/> Joining the Worship Choir		

Our pastors would love to hear about ways you see God at work around you. Please share any comments and/or prayer requests:

PRAYING WITH JABEZ & JESUS

SUNDAY, AUGUST 14, 2016

SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE FELLOWSHIPS (ABF)

- 9:00 AM Victory, Rm. 3103
Family, Rm. 3105/06
- 10:45 AM Converge, Rm. 2104
Horizons, Rm. 3101/02
Life Journey, Rm. 3105/06
- 6:00 PM The Pursuers, Rm. 3101/02

 Bible Center

BibleCenterChurch.com • (304) 346-0431
100 Bible Center Dr., Charleston WV 25309

Service times: 9:00 AM & 10:45 AM

JESUS FEST

SATURDAY, AUGUST 27

Haddad Riverfront Park

5:00-9:00 PM • Free Concert

Bring your kids, friends, and lawn chairs for a summer evening of praise and worship by the River! JesusFest will feature the nationally recognized JJ Weeks Band, sponsored by 94.5 FM.

Our very own Pastor Matt Friend will be speaking (7:35PM), and the Bible Center Band will perform (6:35PM) at this event.

Other musical groups performing at JesusFest include the Martin Luther King, Jr. Male Chorus and Union Mission's Foundation Choir.

communication 

Please print clearly

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

Best Phone: _____

If you're the guest of a regular attendee, please list name(s): _____

Change in contact information

First Time Guest Regular Attender

Second Time Guest Member

Receive Email Updates Weekly!

Please go to our website, BibleCenterChurch.com, and enter your email address at the bottom of the page.

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Please place this in: the offering basket; the Response Box in the Gathering Space; the basket at the First Time Guest Gift Table; or join us in the Living Room following the service.

ABOUT WORKSHOPS

Workshops are short-term evening classes designed to educate followers in various aspects of life. Through classes on the Bible, theology and Christian living, we seek to fulfill our church's mission by producing more maturing followers of Jesus.

There are no prerequisites, and you can attend as many classes per week as you like.

All classes begin at 6:45 PM and end at 7:45 PM except where noted.

For detailed class descriptions, go to: BibleCenterChurch.com/workshops or call the church office at (304) 346-0431.

* Leadership classes are for Community Group and other church group leaders. *Participants need only attend 1 of the 4 classes.*

** Ushers need only attend 1 of the 2 classes.

MONDAY

COACHING FOR USHERS**

Pastor Lee Walker
Sep 12 & Sep 19
6:30-7:30 PM
Room 3104

A CALL FOR KINDNESS

Pastor Lee Walker
Oct 3 - Oct 24
6:30-7:30 PM
Room 3103

PARENTING IS HEART WORK

Pastor Richard & Michelle Thompson
Oct 3 - Oct 24
Room 3105/06

"FOLLOW ME" A DAVID PLATT STUDY IN DISCIPLESHIP†

Jane Schultz
Oct 3 - Nov 14
Room 2104

TUESDAY

SONG OF SOLOMON—COMMITTED MARRIAGE A BIBLICAL LOVE STORY FOR ALL COUPLES

Pastor Bill Tanzey
Aug 30 - Sep 20
Living Room

THE GOSPEL OF MARK THE JESUS WE'RE ACHING FOR

Lisa Pack
Sep 20 - Nov 1
9:30-11:00 AM
Living Room

EXPECTING TO SEE JESUS: A WAKE-UP CALL FOR GOD'S

PEOPLE† (ANNE LOTZ)
Susan Beeler
Sep 20 - Nov 15
6:45-8:30 PM
Room 2104

MEN ARE FROM MARS... WOMEN FROM VENUS

Mitri Ghareeb
Oct 4 - Nov 15
Room 3103

WEDNESDAY

LEADERSHIP 1: HOW TO LEAD YOUR GROUP TOWARDS OUTREACH*

Pastor Matt Friend
Aug 24 - Sep 14
Room 3101/02

WHY DID JESUS COME?

Mike Kaufman
Aug 24 - Sep 14
Room 3103

WHAT IS THE CHURCH?, PT. 1

Josh Hanks
Aug 24 - Sep 28
Room 3104

FIGHT BACK WITH JOY† (MARGARET FEINBERG)

Carolyn McMillen
Aug 24 - Sep 28
Room 2104

LEADERSHIP 2: HOW TO LEAD YOUR GROUP TOWARDS CARE*

Pastor Chad Cowan
Sep 21 - Oct 19
Room 3101/02

DOCTRINE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Pastor Matt Friend
Sep 21 - Oct 12
Room 3103

WHY YOUR WORK MATTERS TO GOD

Brian Plants
Oct 5 - Nov 16
Room 3104

WHAT IS THE CHURCH?, PT. 2

Pastor Matt Friend
Oct 19 - Nov 16
Room 3105/06

LEADERSHIP 3: HOW TO LEAD YOUR GROUP TOWARDS DISCIPLESHIP*

Pastor Bill Tanzey
Oct 26 - Nov 16
Room 3101/02

THURSDAY

THE BIBLE & INTERPRETATION 1

Pastor Chad Cowan
Aug 25 - Sep 29
Room 3104

HOPE IN PERILOUS TIMES: A STUDY IN 2 PETER

Dan Anderson
Sep 8 - Sep 29
Room 2104

SPIRITUAL GROWTH: THE PROCESS

Mike Kaufman
Oct 6 - Nov 17
Room 2104

THE BIBLE & INTERPRETATION 2

Pastor Chad Cowan
Oct 27 - Nov 17
Room 3104

Summer

AT BIBLE CENTER

August

14	Su	Promotion Sunday
14	Su	Girlfriends Serve 2gether All-Volunteer Meeting - 3:00 PM
15	M	Baptismal Class - 6:30 PM
17	W	AWANA / Element / Fusion begin - 6:30 PM
17	W	Praying for our children and Children's Ministries - 6:45 PM
20	Sa	Bible Center Bikers Ride 'n Dine to Fayetteville (parking lot) - 10:30 AM
21	Su	OWLS Baked Steak Luncheon (Bible Center School, RIM) - 12:30 PM
24	W	Fall Workshops begin - 6:45 PM
27	Sa	Jesus Fest (Haddad Riverfront Park) - 5-9 PM
28	Su	Hymn Sing - 6 PM

September

5	M	Labor Day
11	Su	Outdoor Baptism Sunday
25	Su	Church on the Levee (Haddad Riverfront Park) -10:30 AM

Praying With Faith & Flexibility

Matthew 6:5-10

Pastor Matt Friend • August 14, 2016

1. Satan tempts us to think God ignores us. (vv. 5-8)
2. But God is a Father who listens and cares. (v. 9)
3. Jesus invites us to pray with faith and flexibility. (v. 10)

So, what's the encouragement for us this week?

Let's dream big dreams and pray big prayers.

What next step is the Lord inviting me to take?

For further study, you are invited to order Bruce Wilkinson's book, *Beyond Jabez: Expanding Your Borders*, from one of our Charleston area bookstores.

