



BIBLE CENTER CHURCH

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Dear Friends,

Welcome to church! May today's service help us all take another step in our walk with Jesus.

What would happen if you told God how you really feel? Have you ever wished you could truly open up and pray what you think? The Psalms teach us that you can.

No other part of the Bible exposes our inner struggles more than the Psalms. Each one reaches beyond the world of sight and sound to reveal what our senses long to see and hear—our authentic self and the heart of God.

Today we launch another *Summer in the Psalms* series to learn how to pray. Each Psalm teaches us that God is big enough to handle all our pain, rage, fear, desire for control, prejudice, greed, doubt, unfulfilled longings... or any other feeling inside us. Let's make this summer count!

With you in the school of prayer,

Matt Friend, Senior Pastor

Praying with Jesus in Mind

Psalm 2

Above all else, Psalms is our prayer book.

If Psalms is a garden of prayer, Psalms 1 and 2 are the gate:

- Psalm 1: Pray with God's Word in mind. (*John 15:7*)
- Psalm 2: Pray with Jesus in mind. (*2 Samuel 7; John 4:25-26; Acts 13:26-33; Philippians 2:5-11; Hebrews 1:1-5; 5:5; Revelation 1:5; 2:26-27; 12:5*)

When we pray with Jesus in mind, we...

1. Pray calmly. (vv. 1-6; cf. *Psalm 121; Matthew 6:9-13; Colossians 3:15-17*)
2. Pray courageously. (vv. 7-9; cf. *Acts 4:23-37; Revelation 6; 19:11-16*)
3. Pray compassionately. (vv. 10-12; cf. *Psalm 67; Matthew 9:38; 20:18-20; Acts 1:8*)

Recommended Reading: Download our free, prayer e-books from the *Summer in the Psalms* page on the church website.

Today's message is 1st in an 8-part series titled *Summer in the Psalms*. View past sermons on the app or at BibleCenterChurch.com/sermons.

CHURCH LIFE

Baptism in June If you'd like to be baptized, choose any service in June! An outdoor baptism will be held June 23 at 2:30 PM instead of morning services. Contact Jane (jjackson@BibleCenterChurch.com).

Books for Sale Stop by the Group Wall to check out the books and study guides available.

Member Meeting (Annual Meeting) June 9 • 6 PM • Make plans to join us as our Senior Pastor and Elder Board share their hearts and clarify our vision for the decades ahead. We'll install new Deacons and Elders, present next year's budget for approval, and celebrate Pastor Richard's 20-year staff anniversary with cake and ice cream! Regular attenders interested in membership are also invited. Next year's budget is available at the Info Desk.

Kari Jobe & Cody Carnes in Concert Sunday, June 30 • 7 PM • Kari Jobe & Cody Carnes are coming to Bible Center for their *Summer Worship Nights* Tour! General admission tickets can be purchased at the Info Desk for \$25 or you may purchase tickets at PremierProductions.com.

Our Sympathies To:

• Dwaine Osborne, whose grandmother, Alice Griffith, passed away.

SERVE

BibleCenterChurch.com/serve

Vacation Bible School Serve in a fun environment by helping with registration, crafts, or in a classroom. Middle schoolers to adults are welcome. Email Pastor Steve (sneill@BibleCenterChurch.com) for questions. Sign up today!

STUDENTS & KIDS

BibleCenterChurch.com/families

Beach Camp Meeting June 9 • 12:15 PM • Middle School Room (#2104) • For parents of all students attending Beach Camp.

Child Dedication June 16 • Register today or text Jess Backus (304-941-2836) or email her (jbackus@BibleCenterChurch.com) if you have questions.

Cribs (6th-12th Grades) Wednesdays in June & July • 6-7:30 PM • Stay connected and hang out with friends weekly in different host homes. Info online.

Power Up! Vacation Bible School (3 years old-5th Grade) July 14-18 • 6-8 PM • Invite your friends fun, music, activities, and snacks! Register now.

*Gluten-free communion wafers available on the bookcase at the back of the auditorium

CONNECT

Welcome! We'd love to meet you! Look for Jane at the Connect Table beside the fireplace.

Need Prayer? Men and women are available after services for anyone wanting prayer or counsel. Please go to the back right of the auditorium.



WAYS TO GIVE

- Text BCCWV to 77977
- Use the **BCC app**
- Go **online**
- Drop it in a secure **Response Box** (beside the fireplace)
- Place it in an **offering basket**
- **Mail** it to the address on the front

