





# Cookie Reception Saturday, August 9<sup>th</sup>, we will be hosting a cookie reception as part of our Anniversary celebration from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm. We are asking anyone who would be willing, to please bring homemade cookies or brownies or sweet treats. There is a sign-up sheet in the main foyer. We are so excited to welcome back our friends from the past and welcome our friends from the present! Thank you so much!

# 25th Anniversary Celebration of Believers Southern Baptist Church

August 9<sup>th</sup> August. 10<sup>th</sup>
Go to go2believers.com for our schedule of events

Join us to celebrate what God has done! Renew old friendships! Enjoy amazing fellowship!

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# Sunday, July 27

Sunday School	9:15 AM	
Morning Worship Service	10:30 AM	
Deacons Meeting	4:00 PM	
Family Gathering	6:00 PM	
Senior "Sundae" immediately following!		

# Wednesday, July 30

Youth Activities	6:30 PM
Adult Bible Study	7:00 PM

Sunday morning services can be viewed **LIVE** by going to the church website: go2believers.com and clicking on the **media tab** 

# From the Pastor's Desk

When we last looked at 2 Peter 2, we saw Peter's warning to the church regarding false teachers. Peter wanted to be certain his brothers and sisters in Christ recognized the danger presented by those who were wolves in sheep's clothing. This morning, I want us to conclude our examination of chapter 2 by considering Peter's clear descriptions regarding false teachers: who they are, what they do, how they can be recognized, and what their final outcome will be.

False teachers are repugnant to God! No matter how smooth or charismatic, no matter how great of an orator they may be, no matter how creative or keen of mind, no matter how greatly they may be loved by masses of people -- if their proclamation does not align with the Holy Word of God . . . they are false teachers! As we examine these verses, Peter explains how . . .

...The character of Christ's enemies is revealed (2:9-12). They are focused on self-gratification as they "indulge the flesh" by their corrupt lifestyles. They "despise authority" which means they will question the authority of God's Word and will undermine the truth of the gospel. Over time, such behavior will lead to twisted and arrogant behavior. Peter says they will ultimately become "like unreasoning animals" – driven only by their lusts and most base desires. That's what they are doing to themselves, but how will you know them? Next,

...The conduct of Christ's enemies is unveiled (2:13-16). Peter confirms what Paul wrote in Romans 6:23, that "the wages of sin is death," when he says these individuals will/are "suffering wrong as the wages of doing wrong" (13). They have given themselves over to sin, "having eyes full of adultery, they never cease from sin" (14). They will eventually lose all control over their lives! Peter says, "forsaking the right way, they have gone astray" (15). False teachers sow their destruction by turning from the Lord, and then they lead others to follow their path of destruction. Peter concluded this chapter by outlining . . .

... The damage described, and the future foretold for them (2:17 -22). Not only do these individuals live in a manner that endangers themselves, but by their teaching and example they lead others astray as well. They make all they are doing seem attractive – it sounds good and looks good – but there is nothing that is lasting and real in it! Petr says all they offer is "springs without water and mists driven by a storm" and the outcome for those who follow them, is that "black darkness has been reserved" for them (17). In vs. 20-21, Peter warns that to know the truth and fall into error again, "the last state has become worse for them than the first. For it would be better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than having known it, to turn away from" it. Can you imagine eternity in hell, knowing it could have been different? Knowing you created your own situation through ego and ignorance?

I pray we will recall what Jesus said, "you will know the truth and the truth will set you free" (John 8:32). It is the truth of the gospel that leads people to Jesus and eternal life. It is false teaching that leads people away from the truth and into an eternal hell. Choose wisely what you will listen to and whom you will follow. Hear Gods' Word, follow Jesus, and you will . . . Be Blessed!

Under His wing,

Pastor Tim

# Believers 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

**Anniversary Celebration Choir Schedule** This choir is open to anyone 7<sup>th</sup> grade and older.

Sunday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> **Lunch & Rehearsal immediately** after the morning service We will practice no later than 1 PM

Sunday, August 10<sup>th</sup> Choir sound check at 9:00 AM **Anniversary Celebration Choir sings** in the morning service at 10:30 AM

There are many examples in the Bible about how a church should function. Many people would choose Acts 2:42-47 and it is often referred to and it is a great source. One of my favorites passages about the church is the scripture below.

<sup>8</sup> And above all things have fervent love for one another, for "love will cover a multitude of sins." Be hospitable to one another without grumbling. <sup>10</sup> As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. 1 Peter 4:8-10

Thank you church family for accepting the Waters clan with our Arkansas roots and accent. We have been blessed in our 6.5 years of serving with you at Believer during your 25 years together ministering for the Glory of God. We look forward to many more years of serving Him together for His Kingdom.

Serving Him,

John

# 2025 Weekly Budget Requirement: \$16,596.15

### **2025 World Mission Offering YTD:** \$17,158.05

### Attendance for July 20, 2025

Sunday School	180
Morning Worship	242
<b>Evening Worship</b>	94

### Attendance for July 23, 2025

Adult Bible Study	26
Youth Ministries	23

### Receipts for July 20, 2025

Budget Offerings	\$18,510.00
World Mission Offerings	\$460.00
Building Fund	\$230.00
Believers Saints	\$30.00
Library	\$8.92
Memorial-Leon Clevenger	\$100.00
Memorial-Bill Nickel	\$500.00
Piecemakers Quilting	\$50.00
Women on Mission	\$50.00

### **Mulvane Old Settlers Days Parade**

August 23 Tract distribution only

**Kansas State Fair** September 5-14

**Greater Andover Days** September 27

**General Pleasanton Days** October 4

**Goddard Fall Festival** October 11

**BSBC Trunk or Treat** October 31

**College Hill Tract distribution** October 31

Wichita Veterans' Day Parade

November 8 Tract distribution only.

### **Derby Christmas Parade**—

-December 6 Tract distribution only.

## Please Pray For Family of Liz Johnson

Mary McLaughlin Ezra Dixie LaBrue Texas Flooding Mary Barker

Don Dodds Joyce Powell

Carol Winegarner

Stacy Otto

Elaine

Jail & Prison Ministry Law Enforcement

**Our Countries Leaders** Revival

# The Nation of Israel Long Term Illness

Audra Arnold Grea Benge Dale Bernhardt Virginia Bigelow Carolyn Catlin Mike Edwards

**Dennis Ensley** Kaysen Galindo

Ray Hodge **David Hopkins** 

Louis Johnson

Aaron Keehn Mel Kirk

Aaron Kondo

Lee League Nita Lewark

Robert McMillan

Devin & Kristi Parry

Don Pedigo

**Bob Powell** Jeanette Roberts

Kari Rogers

Phillip Smith

**Greta Speer** Bernell Stafford

Deanna Tennison

**Evelyn Williams**