



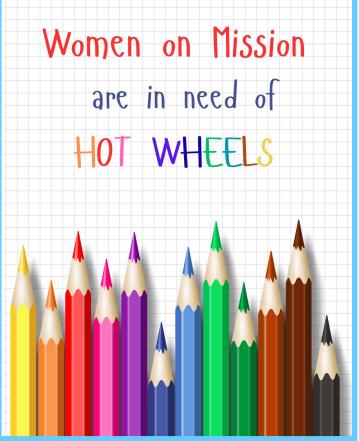
Saturday, August 9th, we will be hosting a cookie reception as part of our Anniversary celebration from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm.

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!







August 9th August 10th
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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August 3, 2025



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Sunday, August 3

Sunday School	9:15 AM
Morning Worship Service	10:30 AM
Evening Worship Service	6:00 PM

Monday, August 4

Piecemakers (Barrager Home) 9:30 AM

Wednesday, August 6

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

25th Anniversary August 9th & 10th Gee the Scheduled Events!

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 Pen

This week I've spent a lot of time wondering -- "Where did the time go?" On the first Sunday morning of August 2005, I stood nervously in the pulpit of Believers Southern Baptist Church filled with anxiety over what the future might hold and wondering how well (or how poorly!) the relationship between pastor and people would go. This morning marks the completion of twenty years in which I have been honored, blessed, and privileged to serve as the pastor of this great congregation! In these twenty years I have led or conducted 3,414 services of one sort or another and witnessed nearly 700 additions to our church family. We have seen people move in and move out, celebrated people being "born again" and celebrated the arrival of newborns. We have wept at the passing of saints into glory and rejoiced at the formation of new families. Many memories have gathered through these years.

Along the way I've learned that as we age the world looks, sounds, and seems different. One sign of growing older is hearing yourself say, "Where did the time go?" I've spoken those words about my children at various milestones in their lives and even find myself thinking those words about my grandkids though I try not to verbalize the thought! One thing that hasn't changed and won't until Jesus comes again is that many people doubt God's Word and the truth of the Gospel. As we examine 2 Peter 3, the apostle tells us . . .

... They will reject Jesus and the proofs of His identity. Peter reminded his readers that the words of the prophets about Messiah's arrival before Jesus came were available for all to see. The words of Jesus and the apostles all foretold that mankind would continue to ignore and neglect God. We see that this is still the case in our present day. Not only will they reject the promise of His coming, but . . .

... They will laugh at any who call for Godly morality. Peter simply says they will be ... "following after their own lusts" (3:3). How often do we hear people today proclaiming the death of biblical morality while proclaiming "their own truth?" They deny God – His existence and any accountability to Him. They call on society to approve their lifestyles and pet sins while demanding that legal codes be altered to embrace what they promote as normal human behavior. Tragically, it is somewhat normal because we all sin! As society slips further and further from God's ways, the church must continue to proclaim God's truth and not grow discouraged. It's not easy to continue faithfully on, because . . .

... They will disparage the promise of Jesus retuning (3:4). Many unbelievers are quick to mock those who believe Jesus is coming again; they are harsh, cruel, and at times even violent. BUT . . . let some disaster strike, some horrific, world-shaking event occur and see how quickly they appear at the doors of the church looking for someone to tell them if it's time! Those who believe the Bible know Jesus said He was coming again (John 14:1-3) and even described what it would be like (1 Thess. 4:13-18).

Can things change? Will they change? Yes and no. Many will believe, many more will not. If you are one of those filled with doubt, always scoffing at His promises - Hear me! Jesus is coming again. It could be any day; will you be ready? Be ready and you will ... Be Blessed!

Under His wing,

Pastor Tim

Jesus, Pizza, and Dodgeball

Most Christians want to grow in their relationship with God. We read about David being a man after God's own heart and we desire to have that same kind of intimacy with God. We watch as others cling to Jesus through some of the hardest things in life, never even wavering in their faith, and we long to feel that same devotion to Him. I think all of us desire these things, but we often are left wondering how to get there.

We know that reading the Bible, praying, going to church, serving others, and all these things are the right answer (and they definitely play a big role!), but we still feel like we're missing something. We feel like everyone else has it figured out and knows all the things we don't, and so at this point we're almost too embarrassed to ask. I'm going to let you in on a secret; No one has it all figured out. Even pastors and teachers still struggle at times with their intimacy with God.

But this is another reason why God gave us the church. It is suppose to be a place for us to find rest, comfort, and solace. But it is also meant to be a place of encouragement, growth, and even a place to struggle through our doubts and guestions. I really believe that the church was made to be so much more than we typically give it credit for. We tend to view it as a place we go or thing we do. God intended it to be a family and to act as one body. God intends for the church to help each other, to encourage each other, and to spur one another on to growth.

When we try to grow deep in our walk with God, we tend to get frustrated when we don't see a lot of growth in the first couple of months. If we want to see real and deep growth in our relationship with God it's going to take a lifetime commitment. It's going to take being committed when everyone around you isn't. It's going to take being willing to be labeled as "different" because we won't compromise on how God's Word commands us to live. So the question becomes, "Do you love Jesus enough to commit to knowing Him and following His commands every day for the rest of your life?" If you're willing to do that, you're going to start seeing growth. It may not come in a week, but it will come.

Andrew

2025 Weekly Budget Requirement: \$16,596.15

2025 World Mission Offering YTD: \$17,263.05

Attendance for July 27, 2025

Sunday School	156
Morning Worship	243
Evening Worship	49

Attendance for July 30, 2025

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Adult Bible Study	28
Youth Ministries	32

Receipts for July 27, 2025

Budget Offerings	\$10,324.00
World Mission Offerings	\$305.00
Building Fund	\$169.00
Horseshoe Ministry	\$530.00
Kids Camp	\$500.00
Piecemakers Quilting	\$500.00

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 Carol Swalley Mary McLaughlin Ezra Dixie LaBrue Mary Barker Don Dodds Jovce Powell Carol Winegarner Stacy Otto Elaine Jail & Prison Ministry Law Enforcement **Our Countries Leaders** Revival

Long Term Illness

The Nation of Israel Audra Arnold Greg 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

Jeanette Roberts Kari Rogers

Bob Powell

Phillip Smith **Greta Speer**

Bernell Stafford

Deanna Tennison

Evelyn Williams