

Dear Believer's Baptist Church Family,

Thank you for everything you did to honor me as I retired. The ice cream fellowship was great, the cake was cute and all the food tasted good, the cards were uplifting, and especially your kind words were affirming. It is amazing to me that the Lord has allowed me to worship Him from the piano for so many years. I know He is not finished using me and has new ministry opportunities for me.

God bless and thank you again,

Connie Benge

BSBC
children's ministry

TRUNK OR TREAT



CANDY NEEDED

MUST BE INDIVIDUALLY WRAPPED

Aloha

Hula on over to celebrate
Believers Saints
Luau

Thursday, September 18, at 6 pm
Large Fellowship Hall
Signup in Front Foyer
\$5 per person

Save the Date

Women's Ministry

MOVIE MATINEE

FREE POPCORN, CANDY AND DRINKS

18 OCT | 3 PM

Please invite your friends!



Feature Movie - The Last Sin Eater
based on the Francine Rivers book

Believers

YOU THEREFORE, BELOVED, KNOWING THIS BEFOREHAND,
BE ON YOUR GUARD SO THAT YOU ARE NOT CARRIED AWAY BY THE
ERROR OF UNPRINCIPLED MEN AND FALL FROM YOUR OWN STEADFASTNESS.

2 PETER 3:17

STEADFAST
WORKING FOR A GREATER GOOD

September 14, 2025

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Sunday, September 14

Sunday School 9:15 AM

Morning Worship Service 10:30 AM

Celebration Rehearsal Choir 4:00 PM

Children's Missions 5:00 PM

Bible Studies 5:00 PM

Family Gathering 6:00 PM

Monday, September 15

Piecemakers (Barrager Home) 9:30 AM

Tuesday, September 16

Ladies Bible Studies 9:30 AM

Wednesday, September 17

Children's Activities 6:30 PM

Youth Activities 6:30 PM

Adult Bible Study 7:00 PM

Thursday, September 18

Believers Saints Event 6:00 PM

From the Pastor's Desk

As we draw to the conclusion of Peter's second letter, let's take a few moments and see if we might be able to summarize what we have learned. Some high points we might emphasize would be that it's a book of promises (1:1-4), it's a book of protection (2:9); and it's a book of prophecy (3:1-13). In this last chapter we've been challenged to live holy and godly lives (11) as we look forward to the revealing of the new heavens and a new earth (13).

In light of Christ's coming, our lives should be distinctly different than the lives of those who are outside the faith. This thought flows through Peter's final words as he calls his readers to consistency in Christian living. This is a call for growth in our lives; it's a difficult call - so how do we fulfill this calling on our lives? As Christ-followers **we must . . .**

...Live in the light of prophetic awareness! (3:14) The prophetic information Peter gives has a purpose beyond raising questions, selling books, or inspiring series of sermons! It was Peter's intention to inspire change in the lives of believers so that they would always live in a state of preparation to meet the Master! Too many have begun to doubt the fact of His return BUT He is coming again! Have you ever wondered what it will be like to stand before the Lord? I've often asked, **"If Jesus had come back this morning would I have been ashamed?"** In verse 14, Peter calls us **"to be ... in peace, spotless, and blameless."** All of this is important, but **we must also remember. . .**

...God's love for sinners when the enemy attacks! (3:15-17) God loves sinners (that's good news for me!). This is revealed in verse 15 as Peter instructs us to **"regard the patience of our Lord as salvation..."** (recalling the words of 3:9!). Then Peter recalled the ministry of his old friend Paul, who constantly taught and wrote about salvation. He gave a stern warning to **"be on your guard so that you are not carried away by the error of unprincipled men and fall from your own steadfastness"** (17). This is a call to stand fast in our faith, which will allow us to . . .

...Grow for as long as we live! (3:18) This is our lifelong purpose, to **"Grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ."** Peter had sounded this call before, in 1 Peter 2:1-3 where he wrote, **"putting aside all malice and all deceit and hypocrisy and envy and all slander, like newborn babies, long for the pure milk of the word, so that by it you may grow in respect to salvation, if you have tasted the kindness of the Lord."** Brothers and sisters, If we want others to see Jesus in our lives, they must be able to see our relationship with Jesus growing deeper and stronger with the passing of time! This faithfulness to growing and deepening discipleship will allow us to more easily impact the world in which we live.

Peter's last call as it is stated here for his readers is still the Lord's call for us today. How will we respond to this life-changing call to watch, witness, and grow in Christ? My prayer is all would profess their faith in Jesus Christ, confess Him as Lord and faithfully follow in His ways. Make that decision, live it out daily, and you will . . . Be Blessed!

Under His wing,

Pastor Tim

JESUS, PIZZA, AND DODGEBALL

There are so many different things and people that we follow today. We follow the latest viral TikTok dancers, the comedian on YouTube, our best friends, the athletes we watch on tv, and so many other things. In themselves, these things are not necessarily bad, but when we start adjusting our behaviors and thoughts because of them - then they can become a problem.

Teenagers are even more likely to lean into a person or platform that they see over and over again (online or in person). We have to make sure that they are still hearing our voice as much as the influencer they are listening to.

But how do they know who you follow? It's not just what you say, but also what you do that will determine their answer. Hopefully they would all say that we follow God more than anything else. But it's also possible that they would say our priority is work, sports, making sure they succeed, or any number of things. While their answer may not be true to what we believe, it does show what our words and actions point to.

This week, maybe you should ask your children individually without any context, "What do you think is my greatest priority?" and see what they say. Maybe this week we can all become a little more like Jesus.

Andrew

Upcoming Outreach Opportunities Horseshoe Ministry & Parade Events

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.

2025 Weekly Budget Requirement:

\$16,596.15

2025 World Mission Offering YTD:

\$19,263.05

Attendance for Sep 7, 2025

Sunday School 131

Morning Worship 203

Fellowship 77

Attendance for Sep 10, 2025

Children's Activities 49

Youth Activities 16

Adult Bible Study 20

Receipts for Sep 7, 2025

Budget Offerings \$11,028.72

World Mission Offerings \$641.00

Building Fund \$313.00

Believers Saints \$5.00

Church Fellowship \$16.00

Horseshoe Ministry \$540.00

Lottie Moon \$25.00

Worship Ministry \$50.00

Youth Ministry \$257.00

Please Pray For

Emma Morgan

Ken Yost

Mary McLaughlin

Dixie LaBrue

Don Dodds

Michael Taylor

Students & Teachers

Gail Kiser

Keith Sperry

Ezra

Mary Barker

Carol Winegarner

Elaine

Jail & Prison Ministry

Law Enforcement

Our Countries Leaders

Revival

The Nation of Israel

Long Term Illness

Audra Arnold

Greg Bengé

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

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