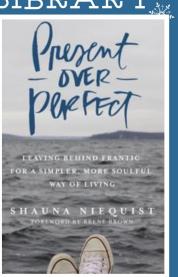


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BOOK



Busyness drains our souls and harms our bodies. When you don't have a moment to be still, how can the still, small voice of God's wisdom and love speak into your life?

Thank You for Blessing Families

The Missions Committee is praising God for all the help that was received for the Thanksgiving and Christmas food and gift deliveries. We served ten families with food and also provided gifts for thirteen children. Thank you for donating cash and purchasing food for the families as well as buying and wrapping gifts for the young children. Thank you to those of you who helped set up food prior to the delivery day and a huge thank you to those of you who were able to deliver food and gifts. It's a big job to do the deliveries but we have heard stories of how blessed these families are by the food, so, know that what each of you contributes is greatly appreciated. some who we served are widows and we know that God loves us to give relief to the widows and orphans. Thank you to Almeda Fleming and Women on Mission who contribute hats and scarves to the children we serve. Finally, a big THANK YOU to Janet Anderson and Kim Batemon for the hours they contribute in helping us with every facet of this ministry event! We have noticed that many in our congregation have a heart for missions and we invite you to join us on the Missions Committee this next year. We meet once a month and would be honored to have you on our team.

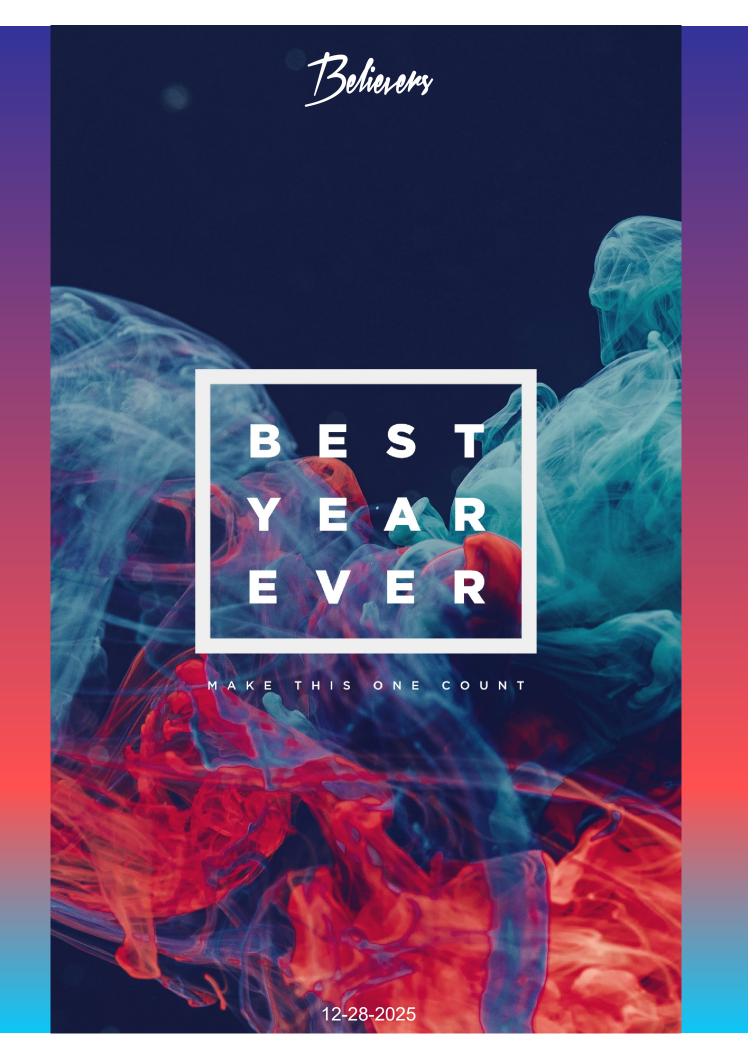


Our church will be hosting a Life Line screening event on 02/07/2026.

Life Line screening is the premier provider of stroke and cardiovascular disease risk screenings since 1993.

Life Line screening is extending a discounted offer to all Believers members which will identify your risk level for the following diseases: 1.Carotid Artery Disease 2.Peripheral Arterial Disease 3.Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm 4.Atrial Fibrillation

Go to www.llsa.social/habc or call 800-324-9458 to schedule your appointment! A simple screening can be worth a lifetime.





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Sunday, December 28th

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

> Wednesday, December 31st No Activities

Thursday, January 1st Happy New Year—Offices Closed

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

Text Giving-Contributors can text GIVE2BSBC to 73256, followed by your gift amount, to give online through text. (Standard text message and data rates may apply) Online giving: onrealm.org/BelieversSouthe/give

From the Pastor's Pen

As we draw to the conclusion of another calendar year, let me take this opportunity to tell you how much I love the people of Believers Southern Baptist Church and what a privilege it is to serve as your pastor! I think of this often as we celebrate the birth of our Lord. I love seeing the signs and Christmas cards each year and I realize that one reason is I enjoy seeing all the different names given to our Lord! What names have you seen or heard assigned to our Lord Jesus? Have you even thought about and considered His many names? Names like Wonderful, Jesus, Counselor, Yeshua, Mighty God, Christ, Lord, Messiah, Immanuel, Redeemer, the Word, the Light, Savior, Shepherd, Prince of Peace, Son of David; the list goes on. But what do they all mean? I mean really, "What is in a name?" In Luke 1:31 Mary was

"... You shall name Him Jesus." Jesus or "Yeshua" - He is the One come from heaven to earth to accomplish among men what men could never accomplish on their own. When Jesus came to the earth, God had a plan for what He was to do. His agenda was set! In Matthew 1:21 Joseph was told to name Him Jesus "for He will save His people from their sins." How would He do that? For one raised in the Hebrew community it makes sense! They understood the concepts of propitiation and redemption. Someone/something must pay the price to satisfy God's justice. This is why decades later, John the Baptist looked up and "...saw Jesus coming to him and said, 'Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!" (John 1:29) how could a mere baby, a mortal man do this? It could only happen because . . .

"...They shall call His name Immanuel" (Matt. 1:23). This is a repetition of the promise given by the prophet Isaiah when he foretold the virgin birth (7:14). The name "Immanuel" is a derivative of three Hebrew words: "Im" means "with"; "anu" means "us"; "el" means "God." When you combine the three parts together, you get the name "Immanuel," which means "God with us." God had to come and do what man could not and cannot do for himself. God did what only God could do, He came to be with us, to be one of us, so that as Jesus He might "save us from our sins." God sent His Son Jesus to save us from our sins; to be Immanuel – God with us, and to shine as . . .

"...Light in our darkness" (John 1:4-5). John began his gospel with no account of the nativity. He tells his readers that Jesus has always been and he wrote about Jesus that "In Him was life, and the life was the Light of men" (John 1:4). Years later Jesus would proclaim "I am the Light of the world; he who follows Me will not walk in the darkness, but will have the Light of life" (Jn. 8:12). He is the Light that rescues us from the darkness of sin in this difficult world.

What's in a name? Salvation! God With Us! Light in our darkness! I've found all of that and more in Jesus. He is my Savior and my Lord. He is my Light and my life! He is God with me every day and in every situation! Come follow Him, you'll discover why we celebrate Christmas and find out "What's in a name" And you will . . . Be Blessed!

Under His wing,

Pastor Tim

What Lies Ahead

¹³ Brothers and sisters, I do not regard myself as having taken hold of it yet; but one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and reaching forward to what lies ahead. Philippians 3:13

This is really the question that most people begin to think about following the Christmas season. What lies ahead in 2026. You may make a few fleeting resolutions, but the reality is what is on most of our minds is, "what lies ahead". Will my health remain sound, or will my health improve? Will my financial condition improve? Will there be additions or loss within my family? Will my job remain viable and fulfilling? Will I get to keep my job for another year. These and multiple other questions may be concerns of vour heart.

I can be positive about one thing. I don't have the answer to these questions for myself or you. You may be thinking now, "why did I even start reading this article", "all questions with no answers".

The reason I can honestly say I don't have the answers is because I don't believe in the self-help mantra. The follow these three steps for success in the new year and all the other catch lines you may read won't lead to fulfillment. What I do believe is that as a follower of Christ is He has a path for me and yes for you as well if you are His child. There are not three steps just one. Follow Christ. You do that with personal devotion to the Lord daily and public worship with His church. You grow, serve and give in obedience to your Lord.

You do exactly what the next verse in Philippians says.

Philippians 3:14

book, instead seek the Savior in the only book that can help any of us, His Word, the Bible. Remember the prize is not earthly recognition

Serving Him,

John

2025 Weekly Budget Requirement: \$16,596.15

2025 World Mission Offering YTD: \$26,416.05

Attendance for December 17, 2025 Adult Bible Study Children's Activities 55 32 Youth Activities Attendance for December 21, 2025 Sunday School 131 Morning Worship 209

Receipts for December 21, 2025

Evening Worship

Budget Offerings \$44,622.76 World Missions Offerings \$1,770.00 **Building Fund** \$200.00 Horseshoe Ministry \$1,000.00 \$250.00 Lottie Moon \$200.00 Memorial-Paul LaBrue Memorial-Bill Nickel \$400.00 **Piecemakers** \$1,000.00 Staff Love Offering \$1,175.00

Online contributions received by Dec 31st, (not initiated) will be included on your 2025 giving record. Please initiate your contributions early to insure they David & Peggy Hopkins are received by our banking institution on or before December 31, 2025.

Non-cash receipts for donation:

The end of 2025 is fast approaching. If you have receipts for donations, please submit them to the church office on or before December 31^{st,} to be included on your 2025 giving record. Please remember that the receipt must be dated during the 2025 tax year and must include only items for the church and no personal items.

Cash contributions must be made by Sunday, December 28th. Check contributions can be made up until December 31st at Noon.

Please Pray For Deborah Klein Chris Powell **Shirley Pointer** Brenneka White Rob Hazen John Clawson Bill Moreland **Judy Gibbs** Stacy Otto Roxanne King

Jail & Prison Ministry Law Enforcement

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Ezra

Our Countries Leaders Revival

The Nation of Israel **Long Term Illness** Audra Arnold

> Mary Barker Greg Benge Dale Bernhardt Virginia Bigelow Carolyn Catlin Mike Edwards

Ray Hodge

Dennis Ensley

Louis Johnson Aaron Keehn

Aaron Kondo Lee League

Mel Kirk

Nita Lewark **Betty Merrill**

Devin & Kristi Parry

Don Pedigo **Bob Powell**

Jeanette Roberts

Kari Rogers Bernell Stafford

Deanna Tennison

Evelyn Williams

Carol Winegarner

14 I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

So, this year don't seek out a self-help or fulfillment but an eternity with our Savior.