

## A Message From Jeff...

### **ALERT—WHITETAIL DEER ON THE MOVE**

It's that time of year when deer go into the rutting season (mating season). This is when hormonally-distracted deer are more prone to jump out on the road causing risk and danger to motorists. As a practical advice for those of us living/traveling on rural roads, be sure to especially exercise caution during the hours of sunrise and sunset.

Two important rules to remember are:

1. **Reduce your speed by 5-10 mph when driving at night** during the rut season of October/November. This creates more of a braking cushion to help prevent collisions with deer.
2. Brake hard if a deer appears in your vehicle's path, but ***don't swerve to avoid a deer!*** You may have some damage from the impact, but those who seek to swerve face greater injury or death from rolling their vehicle.

In Psalm 42:1, the psalmist penned this lyric—"As the deer pants for streams of water, so my soul pants for You, my God. My soul thirsts for God, for the living God..."

May we each demonstrate a growing appetite for a deeper relationship with God.

Love,  
Jeff

CURRENT MESSAGE SERIES: “In the Beginning”

|      |    |                                |                |            |
|------|----|--------------------------------|----------------|------------|
| Oct. | 19 | Daniel in Exile                | Daniel 1, 3, 6 | Jeff Stone |
| Oct. | 26 | Esther: Queen of Courage       | Esther 4-6     | Jeff Stone |
| Nov. | 2  | Nehemiah: Rebuilding the Walls | Nehemiah 1-6   | Jeff Stone |



TIME CHANGE: THIS SUNDAY, Nov. 2

Recent Message:

If you missed last week’s message on “Esther” be sure to click on the link to view it. [\(CLICK HERE\)](#)

Prayers & Praises:

[CLICK HERE](#) to view the current prayer list.



“Faith Promise” Series: EMPOWERED!

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|---------------------------------|----|--------------------------------|-----------------------|------------|
| Nov.                            | 9  | Empowered to <u>Trust</u>      | Hebrews 11:6          | Jeff Stone |
| Nov.                            | 16 | Empowered to <u>Give</u>       | II Corinthians 8:1-9  | Jeff Stone |
| Nov.                            | 23 | Empowered to <u>Share</u>      | II Corinthians 9:6-12 | Jeff Stone |
| Faith Promise Commitment Sunday |    |                                |                       |            |
| Nov.                            | 30 | Empowered to <u>Appreciate</u> | Psalms 100            | Jeff Stone |

Membership Transfer

We extend a warm welcome to **Sandy Bolser**, who transferred her membership to BCC on October 19.

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October 2025 Update

|                                                 |                 |
|-------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Oct. Avg. Adult Worship                         | 138             |
| Oct. Avg. Online Worship                        | 39              |
| Oct. Avg. Children’s Worship Attendance         | 44              |
| Oct. Total Worship Avg.                         | 221             |
| Oct. Offerings                                  | \$28,432        |
| Year To Date Offerings (Annualized % of Budget) | \$333,681 (92%) |

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# Announcements:

## Batesville Food Pantry Update

A huge **thank you** is extended to everyone who volunteered at the Batesville Food Pantry throughout October! Your time and care made a real impact on the families in our community.

We also thank everyone who has donated juice so far — we've already dropped off **149 juices**! Our goal is 400 jugs of Apple Juice or Sunny D for the Food Pantry's Holiday Boxes, so we still need quite a few more to reach it.

Our next delivery will be in November, and every donation helps us get closer to meeting this important need. Let's keep up the great work, BCC family!

## BCC 101

Join us **November 2 at 11:45 a.m.** for a BCC 101 Information Orientation. A pizza lunch will be served.

Email the Church Office at [admin@batesvillechristianchurch.org](mailto:admin@batesvillechristianchurch.org) to RSVP. Child care available upon request.

Dear BCC Member,

October 9, 2025

We are excited about the new school year and the opportunities for ministry taking place at BCC this fall—individuals committing their lives to Christ, impact events with the Food Pantry, trip to Grundy, the Mitch McVicker concert, and more. BCC is committed to following God's Word as our guide and preparing people for eternity.

The State of Indiana requires By-Laws for each church to help offer order. Every few years we have approved amendments to the existing By-Laws to maintain their accuracy to the current functions of the church. It is time again to update our By-Laws to reflect current terminology and practice, with a faithful Scriptural focus.

A brief congregational meeting will take place at the conclusion of each worship service on November 9 to seek approval for the following amendments ([CLICK HERE](#) to see attached page) as we update the wording of the By-Laws.

The approval process requires a 75% approval from those meeting the requirements as currently active members of Batesville Christian Church who participate in the meeting. The existing By-Laws are linked at our website (under Forms & Documents) for reference.

Should you have any questions pertaining to these amendments, you may reach out to any of the BCC Elders, in advance of the November 9 meeting.

In His Service,

The BCC Elders

Rus Bailiff

Terry Harrison

Charlie McGee

Jeff Stone

Richard Zeigler



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