

MIDWEEK UPDATE SEPTEMBER 18, 2025

A Message From Jeff...

CHARLIE KIRK'S SENSELESS SLAYING

LOVE GOD. LOVE PEOPLE. IMPACT THE WORLD.

The recent tragic assassination of Christian podcaster Charlie Kirk has brought crisply into focus the larger ongoing spiritual struggle of light vs. darkness. Famous for engaging college students on their university campuses with dialogue about politics, evidence that Jesus is God's Son, the value of the Bible, and God's teaching on marriage, this conservative voice was having a dramatic influence on discussing our differences without avoiding or hating those who disagreed. Some in the media have attempted to depict Charlie as a negative individual who was polarizing, when the reality was that he genuinely sought to care for all, whether conservative, liberal, lost, or saved. What was polarizing was he proclaimed the Biblical message of salvation and deliverance come only to us all through Jesus and His sacrifice for us unworthy sinners.

Regardless of whether you preferred his bold style of sharing his convictions and his love for debate to compel life-change, the impact that his brief life (murdered at the age of 31 years old) has made is impressive and will continue to reverberate after his passing. My prayers go out for the comfort of his grieving widow, Erika, and his two young children. His passing compels us to carry the torch of the gospel to light the way for those in darkness. Remember...

"But even if you should suffer for what is right, you are blessed. 'Do not fear their threats; do not be frightened,' But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect, keeping a clear conscience, so that those who speak maliciously against your good behavior in Christ may be ashamed of their slander. For it is better, if it is God's will, to suffer for doing good than for doing evil. For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God." I Peter 3:14-18a NIV

Our Current Message Series, "In the Beginning," has been a focus of some important Old Testament stories that we've seen contain great relevance to so many current situations in our lives in 2025. This Sunday we unpack the next season in the life of King David. We'll see how God wants to work good out of our mistakes. To get the maximize impact from this Sunday's message, you are invited to prepare by reading in advance these passages-- II Samuel 11:11-27, II Samuel 12, Psalm 51, and II Chronicles 22. You'll be a part of Ancient Teaching with Application for Today.

Bring a friend and I'll see you in worship this Sunday! Many of you are doing a great job of inviting guests to join you at BCC. Thanks for loving your friends.

Love,

Jeff

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CURRENT MESSAGE SERIES:

August 10	Creation/Noah	Genesis 1-9	Jeff Stone
August 17	Abraham/Isaac	Genesis 12:1-4, 16:1-3, 22:1-14	Jeff Stone
August 24	10 Commandments/Moses	Exodus 19, 20, 24, 25, 32-34, 40	Jeff Stone
Sept. 7	Ruth	Ruth 1-4	Jeff Stone
Sept. 14	David: From Shepherd to King	I Samuel 16-18	Jeff Stone
Sept. 21	Solomon: The King Who Had It All	I Kings 3, 4, 10, 11	Jeff Stone

RECENT MESSAGE:

If you missed last week's message on "David" be sure to click on the link to view it. (CLICK HERE)

Prayers & Praises:

CLICK HERE to view the current prayer list.

MMS Special Collection

If you wish to help us support the Mountain Mission School on our upcoming mission trip, here are some things you can donate which we'll take with us in October:

- Cleaning supplies (laundry detergent, fabric softener, paper towels, napkins, facial tissues, toilet paper)
- Personal care items (hand sanitizer, soap, deodorant, shampoo, toothpaste/toothbrushes, feminine hygiene products)
- •School supplies (notebooks, pens/pencils, 3-ring binders)
- •Miscellaneous (candy, gum)



UPDATE: A big thank you for the response thus far for the items collected for Grundy. Clay Montang's truck is about half full and we will continue to collect until October 10. We still need items such as paper products and any other items on the list. Thanks! Mission Ministry

Announcements:

Mark Your Calendar:

Mitch McVicker Concert @ BCC

Sunday, September 28 6:00 p.m.

(Free Concert/Love Offering will be taken)
Bring your family and friends!

CLICK HERE to view Mitch's website

BCC 101

Join us October 5 at 11:45 a.m. for a BCC 101 Information Orientation.

Pizza lunch served.

Email the Church Office at admin@batesvillechristianchurch.org to RSVP.

Child care available upon request.

Batesville Food Pantry

October is the month when BCC staffs the volunteers for the Food Pantry and collects items for the Food Pantry's Holiday Boxes.

This year, we need 9 volunteers on Wednesday, Oct. 1, Oct. 8, Oct. 15, & Oct. 22 from 11:45 a.m.-4:15 p.m. to help distribute food items and restock shelves.

Sign-up sheets are on the Café Info. Counter.

This year, we have again been asked to collect 400 jugs of Apple Juice/Sunny D. We will also have a collection bin for paper and plastic bag donations.



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