

February, 2009

Berean
A church with a healing heart

Volume 30 No. 5

Our Worship Today

Celebration Choir:

“Mount Mover”

Songs of Celebration:

“I Stand Amazed”

“Everlasting”

“Your Name”

Missions Moment:

Art & Dorothy Helwig

GECHAAN

Special Music:

“You Are The Love O My Life”

Written by Paul & Dee Kelner

Mike Shelton, Vocalist

Message:

“A JOYFUL PRAYER FOR A BELOVED CHURCH”

DR. JERRY SHEVELAND

PRESIDENT, CONVERGE WORLDWIDE

PHILIPPIANS 1:9-11



We desire to make your time of praise and worship as meaningful as possible for you.

Please feel free to sit or stand during this time as you feel led.

Song Lyrics available at the Welcome Center. All songs reproduced by permission CCLI #107225.

Our Mission:

"To glorify God through worshipping Him, proclaiming biblical truth, introducing people to Jesus Christ, discipling believers, and serving others as a loving, caring family of God."

Our Purpose:

"To transform hurting people into healthy, Spirit-empowered followers of Jesus Christ."

Our Ministers:

"The Entire Congregation"

Our Shepherds:

Rev. David J. Pound
Senior Pastor

Rochelle Baughman
Women's Ministries Director

Pastor Jim Berry
Senior Adults

Pastor Craig Hamm
Evangelism & Community Life

Rev. William Heaton
Spiritual Maturity & Missions

Dan Istvanik
Jr. High Director

Rev. Mark McMahan
Worship

Rev. Nate Meiers
Children's Ministries

Pastor Steve Storkel
Student Ministries

Bibles are available on the table in the foyer and at the Welcome Center for your convenience.

Our nursery is available during services for small children who become restless.

Special devices are available for the hearing impaired. Please stop by the Welcome Center to find out more.

Please silence cell phones and pagers during services. Thank You.



Berean Celebrating 30 Years Of God's Faithfulness

Berean extends a warm welcome to **Dr. Jerry Sheveland, President of Converge Worldwide (BGC) and his wife, Dee.** They are visiting with us this weekend to help celebrate our 30th anniversary as a church body.



We also welcome **Art and Dorothy Helwig,** Converge



Worldwide missionaries in Gembu, Nigeria. Art & Dorothy founded and lead GECHAAN (Gembu Centre for HIV/AIDS Advocacy Nigeria) which operates Life Line Centre Clinic, conducts educational programs for prevention and care of HIV/AIDS, and leads an extensive program of placing orphans with established families. This is a "cutting edge" pioneer work that is gaining much notice and respect in the field of HIV/AIDS. Berean is honored to partner with them in their ministry.

Please greet both the Sheveland's and the Helwig's as you have opportunity.



CHURCH DIRECTORY UPDATE

Today is the last day to sign up in the foyer for your pictures. You can still sign up on line at www.bereanfamily.com through Sept. 30th.

We would appreciate your help serving as a host or hostess during the actual photography sessions (Oct. 13,14,15,16,17,21,22,23,24,28,29,30,31).

If you are interested in serving a 3 hour shift on one of those days contact Barb Volpe at 419-289-8159 or by email at bvolpe1@zoominternet.net or call the church office at 419-756-3300.

If you have changed your home address or phone number or email address please let us know! We want to print accurate information in the new directory. Either fill out a green tear-off or stop by the table in the foyer or email the church at info@bereanfamily.com.

Second Saturday

Men's Praise & Prayer Gathering
Saturday, October 10th at 8:00 a.m.
Breakfast in the Community Room



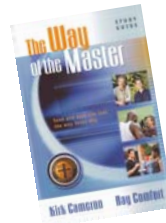
Class 101: Discovering Church Membership

This 4 lesson class will look at what the Bible teaches about Salvation, Baptism, Communion, & Church Membership. We will also look at Berean's Beliefs and Church Structure. This class does not obligate anyone to join Berean but is designed to help you make that decision. Please sign-up on the bulletin tear-off or call the church office.

Classes will be offered:

Sundays, 11:00 a.m., October 4, 11, 18, & 25
Wednesdays, 7:00 p.m., October 7, 14, 21, & 28
Saturday, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m., October 17

Sunday School Class Option:



"The Way of the Master" will begin on Oct. 4th this is an eight session course that will teach you to overcome your fears by using a proven, powerfully effective way to make the gospel make sense. You won't be at a loss for words. You don't need to be an expert in apologetics. Instead you'll learn the forgotten biblical principle of bypassing the intellect (the place of argument) and speaking directly to the conscience (the place of the knowledge of right and wrong) – the way Jesus did. This class will be held in the Chapel at 9:00 a.m.

Sign up in the foyer Today!

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER



Next Sunday we will be trying something new for our communion service. The bread and the cup will be served in individually sealed containers. These containers will

address concerns over current health issues (i.e. colds & flu). The deacons have decided to try this for the next three months. If you have any comments on them contact your Care Deacon.

There will not be a Widow/Widowers Luncheon for the month of Oct. The next luncheon will be Thursday, Nov. 12th.

AFRICAN VISIONS Music on a Mission



Our own Paul & Dee Kelner have written a CD to coincide with Berean's 30th Anniversary and to raise awareness of the GECHAAN ministry in Nigeria. This is the first of many planned missions CD's to be produced. The CD's will be marketed all over the U.S. through Converge. Music on the CD is a combination of mostly original instrumental and vocal music along with some remade favorites. Aaron Frye and Mike Shelton are the featured vocalists. The CD was just released this week and we have the privilege of being the first to be able to purchase it! All profits generated will be given to the Helwig's to benefit their AIDS ministry in Nigeria. If you'd like to purchase a CD you may do so today in the foyer or on line at www.bereanfamily.com or at <http://jazzdoc007.com/music> and more.



Hot Topics for Couples
"POWER OF LOVE"

Friday, October 16th
7:00 P.M.

Surge Student Center

Forgiveness---it's an essential ingredient in God's prescription for a healthy marriage. Come learn the power of forgiveness, the power of God's Word to change a man's heart, and the power of love. We're planning a fun date night for couples as Tony & Diane McIntosh share with us how God saved their marriage. This evening will be filled with practical tips to enrich your marriage. Sign up in the foyer between services or e-mail Women's ministry director Rochelle Baughman at rbaughman@bereanfamily.com.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY NEWS

We're planning a **Christmas Tea** and we would like you to be involved! Are you a tea lover? Like to decorate? Just want to help? We want to talk to you. Either fill out a green card or e-mail Debbie Taylor at thequeenmommy2@yahoo.com.

It's time once again to sign up for our **Each One Reach One Meal Ministry**. If you would like to provide a meal for someone in need (or for a new mom), please plan to sign up beginning next week, October 4. We ask that you choose a month to be available when called upon. If you have questions, please call Dee Robinson at 419-756-2695. Look for the table "tents" on the table in the foyer.



KING LEO IS BACK

Look for him at the back door to remind you to take your kids to the gym to recite Philippians 3:14 and receive a prize.

IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN THE TEAM THAT HEALS KIDS' HEARTS

The following positions still need to be filled for the 2009-2010 year:



1st service:

- 1 – Preschool teacher (every week or 2 every other month)
- 1 – Preschool teacher (every other month starting in October)
- 3 – Preschool helpers (every other month for September & October)
- 1 – Elementary Kids Church helper (every other month –Sept.)

2nd service:

- 1 – Preschool teacher (every other month starting in October)
- 2 – Nursery volunteers (every other month – 1 for Sept., 2 for Oct.)

Tuesday mornings (2nd & 4th for MOPS):

- 3 - Volunteers

If you have attended Berean for at least 6 months and would like to serve the Lord and the children of Berean in this way, please fill out a green card, or contact Jenni Maples at JMaples@Bereanfamily.com or 756-3300 ext. 243 to complete training & fill out an application.

FAMILYTIME TRAINING

These monthly meetings provide engaging conversations about developing spiritual maturity in kids. We also provide two object lessons you can use that month in your homes as a devotion time. We'll meet next Sunday, Oct. 4th @ 6:30 p.m. (no child care) in room 139 and Sunday, Oct. 11th @ 10:45 a.m. in the Community Room. This month's theme: Making Kids Thirsty for Spiritual Growth.

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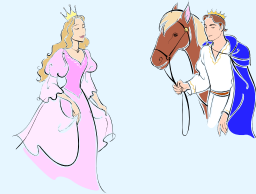
WILDWOOD FOREST: ADVENTURES IN FOLLOWING GOD

Wednesdays from
6:45-8:00 p.m.

October 7th –

King & Queen Night

Come dressed in your
royal attire!



Child Dedication

The next child dedication is Sunday, October 18th. If you are interested in having your child dedicated to the Lord, please come to a meeting next Sunday, October 4th at 10:45 a.m. in the community room.

COINS 4 KIDS

Support Child Evangelism Fellowship

If you didn't pick up a bank last week, it's not too late! There are still a few left. Pick one up today in the foyer or downstairs in the Children's Ministry wing. Please fill your bank with loose change, cash or check over the next few weeks and return it on Sunday, November 15th. CEF greatly appreciates your participation.



LIFE CHAIN COMING

Sunday, October 4th

2:30 p.m., rain or shine

Corner of W. 4th St. & Lex. Springmill

(please do not park in the Payless ShoeSource parking lot)

Join hundreds of Christians for one hour as we pray for unborn children, their moms, dads and families, the unsaved, our country and church unity and revival.

For more information call 419-687-6761.

HELP SOMEONE FIND HOPE

Richland Pregnancy Services helps those facing unplanned pregnancies find hope in their situation and eternal Hope in Christ. RPS is looking for caring, Christian women and men who are willing to minister to those facing unplanned pregnancies. If you are interested please attend a training seminar called "Serving with Care & Integrity" 7-9:00 p.m. on October 5, 8, 12, 15, 19 and 22nd (attend all sessions). There is a \$15 charge for this training. For questions and to register call Amy at (419) 522-8862

Today at Berean:



- 9:00 a.m. Worship Service
- 9:15 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:45 a.m. Worship Service
- 7:00 p.m. The Gathering

This Week at Berean:

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

- 7:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

- 9:30 a.m. Scripture Fellowship

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

- 6:00 p.m. Praying for Prodigals—Women's Prayer Time
- 6:00 p.m. Men's Class Prayer Time
- 6:45 p.m. Adventure Club
- 6:45 p.m. SURGE—Jr./Sr. High Youth Group
- 6:45 p.m. Healing Touch Ministries
- 7:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting**


THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1

- 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study
- 6:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer Gathering

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3



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Keep in Your Prayers:

Pastor Mark McMahan and Family

MISSIONARIES/MISSION AGENCIES:

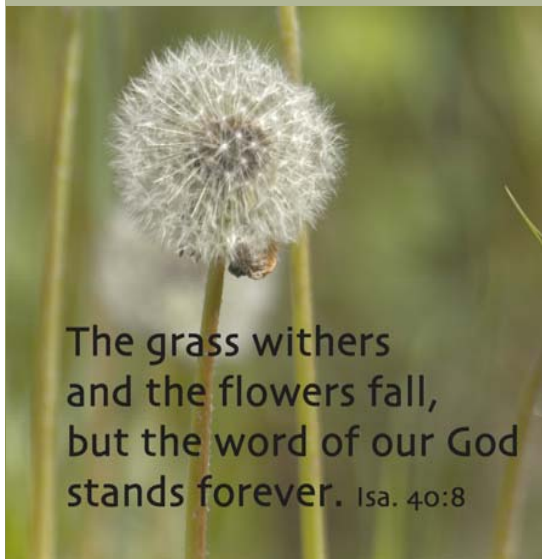
Mission Aviation Fellowship
Central Asia

Berean Family:

Ann Bosko, Pattie Johnson,
Michael Mecurio, Katharine Pickens

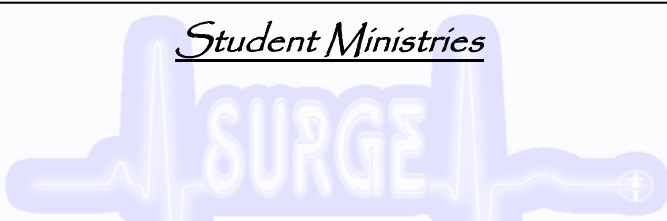
BEREAN'S MILITARY FAMILY:

Steve Barton, Adam Bennett (Afghanistan),
Scott Bennett, Steven Buzzard (Iraq),
Mike Carroll, Lt. Col. Niles Cocanour,
Major Spencer Cocanour,
Lt. Com. Amy Cocanour, Brittany Compton,
Cpl. Ben Crumbliss, Cameron Darling,
Amanda Grubbs, Mac Harbaugh,
N. David Hartman, Christopher Higgins,
Kyle Kent (Afghanistan),
Gary Johnson Jr. (Afghanistan),
LCDR Joshua Keever, LTJG Isaac Keever,
Harrison Kimani (Iraq)
Timothy Kochert, Kyle Lape,
Capt. Bret Lehman, David Nathan Liebhart,
Commander David Markov,
Sean McConnell (2nd tour of duty in Iraq),
Caleb Miller, Richard Neal, Cpl. Ben Perry,
Matthew Renfroe, Rachel Riley (Iraq),
Chris Schwamberger, Heath Stone,
Jared Stone, Brandon Trusdle,
Jeremiah Wilson, Christopher Wilson,
Joshua Wilson



The grass withers
and the flowers fall,
but the word of our God
stands forever. Isa. 40:8

Student Ministries



ATTENTION ALL YOUTH LEADERS

Please check the mailboxes located at the top of the gym stairs every Sunday for important information & updates for the coming week.



THE FALL ADVANCE IS COMING!!!!

Jr. High Oct. 23rd-25th at Geneva Hills in Lancaster, OH Cost \$54.99. \$20 deposit and permission forms are due by Oct. 14th. Forms are available from your small group leader or in the Jr. High Room. *There will be an informational meeting for parents Sun. Oct. 11th 10:15-10:45 am in the Jr. High Room located on the 2nd floor of the Student Center.*

Sr. High Nov. 6th-8th at Camp Burton. Mark your calendars now. More details will be coming soon.



Sat. Oct. 10th

Facedown Records recording artists
FOR TODAY
with special guests
THE GUN SHOW and
THE CRISMSON ARMADA
Tickets \$10 at the door



NEW LESSON SERIES:
"Big Things Come In Small Packages"

(a study of the smallest books of the Bible)

TONIGHT:
Fellowship Night at Cuppy's Cafe



**Taking Orders for Great Food For All
until Oct. 5th Stop by the table in the foyer and
check out October's Menu**

If you eat, you qualify! We want you to order the "Basic Food Box" which comes with enough food to assist a family of four for over a week or a single person for a month—all for only \$30.00. This is half what you would pay for the same food in the grocery store!

Great Food For All donates money to our church for every box you order! Berean receives a donation from GFFA of \$2.00 for every Basic Food Box and \$1.00 for every Specialty box that is ordered. All this money goes directly to our Bread of Life Food Pantry. We are currently delivering food to 40 – 50 families a month and sharing the gospel in the name of Jesus. We have seen 8 salvations or rededication decisions & several families have visited the church through this ministry.

We want your orders! There are three convenient ways to order:

- Stop by the church – Monday – Friday (9 a.m. – 4 p.m.)
- Order at our GFFA table in the foyer this week and next week.
- Order on-line at www.bereanfamily.com/gffa

Please don't forget to pick up your orders on Distribution Day, Oct. 17th.

Once again, there are no income guidelines and there is no limit on the quantity of food you may order. We also have empty nester, senior meals, kids, breakfast and variety boxes. Every box you order helps the needy in our community!

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WELCOME!

If you are new to Berean or are a member or regular attender and have any updates please complete the following and place in the offering plate or return it to the Welcome Center

Date: _____

- Visitor Regular attender
- New in the community
- Mr. Mrs. Miss

Name _____

Spouse _____

Street _____

Apt. No. _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Telephone:

Main _____

Alternate _____

Best time to call _____

Family Information:

Child(ren)'s name/age/grade level:

Email Address:

Would you like a visit? Yes No



