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A message from Ben Cole, Senior Minister

Psalm 107:1-3

*Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his love endures forever. Let the redeemed of the Lord tell
their story, those he redeemed from the hand of the foe, those he gathered
from the lands, from east and west, from north and south.*

The obvious direction for this verse in February, when we tend to focus on love, is just that love. Praise God that His love does endure forever, that nothing can separate us from the love that is in Christ Jesus, and that we love because God first loved us. So, there you go for everyone who wanted a newsletter article on love. Jesus loves you!

However, the Lord led me to this Scripture in Psalm 107 because of verse two, *“Let the redeemed of the Lord tell their story.”* I just had a meeting with a young man God redeemed from the bondage of alcoholism two years ago. He came to my office this afternoon wanting help in preparing to share his testimony. Basically, he is ready to tell his story.

Let's briefly detour from the young man and look at the **context** of this Psalm, exactly what we are studying on Wednesday nights and tying into our Sunday morning sermon series, **Context: Why have you done this.** Psalm 107 speaks to Israel being redeemed from captivity, and what a story they have to tell. Hopefully, you have been with us as we have traveled from Joshua all the way through 1 and 2 Kings. A running theme in our series has been the covenant of blessings and the covenant of curses that Israel made with God. Sadly, Israel often ended up on the wrong side of the covenant, which led to captivity in Babylon or Assyria. But remember, it is not just a covenant of blessings and curses. It is also a covenant of redemption. In Psalm 107, Israel has been redeemed, and God has gathered them together to tell their story.

Now back to the young man in my office, ready to share his story. My advice was simple. Your testimony as a child of God should have three parts. First, here is who I was, dead in my sins. Second, here is who I met, Jesus, who died and took the punishment for my sins on the cross. Third, here is who I am now, through His resurrection, a new creation in Christ, redeemed by the blood of the Lamb. What a story to tell.

As a child of God, you have the same story and the world needs to hear it. It may not look exactly like mine or the young man's, but it is the same story. Dead in your sins, but God! I believe He has gathered us all here at BCCC, not just to worship on Sundays and Wednesdays, but to go out and tell our story, which is really His story of redemption.

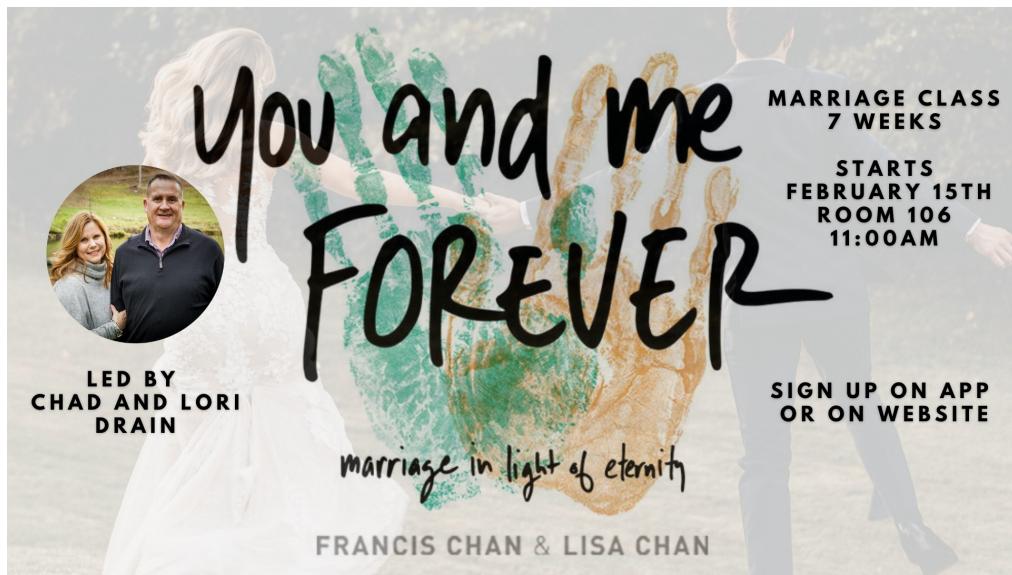
Love to you all,

Ben

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Starting Point

Get to know Boones Creek Christian Church through our Starting Point class on February 1st. The class will be held 8:30 and 11:00 AM in room 103. If you are new to Boones Creek, we would love to see you in this class to help you get connected and be part of our growing family.

Please visit the Events tab on either the website or the Boones Creek App to register.



Sunday School Teachers Meeting - Sunday, February 22nd at 12:00 PM., for a working lunch. We will provide the food and families are welcome. We will be covering some things while we eat. We are hopeful that you can attend. If you are a Sunday School teacher, please plan on attending. If you cannot attend, please let us know. We are looking forward to seeing you and discussing some lesson options as well as other items that impact our classes.

Reminder

Occasionally we hear of members receiving texts, emails, or other messages supposedly from Ben requesting 'urgent' assistance or help with an important task. This may be accompanied by a sad story and always has an appeal for money in some form – gift cards, money orders, or something. **Please do not fall for these traps!** These are scams, people only after money and misrepresenting Ben in the process. Ben will not contact you in this way for such a request. If there is an urgent need, you will hear about it through the church's regular means of communication.



Senior Game Night

Now run by Ted and Teresa Boggs—yes they are having it and it remains the same. February 10th at 6:30 PM.



Ladies! You are invited to our first annual Women's Conference, Replenish. We are looking forward to a time of spiritual fulfillment as women on February 6th and 7th right here at church! Registration continues up until the conference at \$50 per person. A limited number of shirts will also be available at the conference to purchase. Any and all women 18 + are welcome to attend. We encourage you to bring your friends and family, maybe even your ONE! Friday night dinner, a light breakfast, and lunch on Saturday will be provided.

replenish.
WOMEN'S CONFERENCE



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There will be NO childcare provided at this event. We hope you will come to fill your cup and enjoy this time as sisters in Christ as we Surrender and Immerse ourselves in worship and the Word through speakers and small groups, leaving the conference Saturday "Replenished" and proclaiming the goodness of God. We covet your prayers for this event to reach even just "ONE" woman, but hopefully many more!

**Young Adult Game Night**

February 17th

6:00 - 8:00 PM

Game night for all 20-30 somethings (or young at heart). A variety of games (with refreshments) to come and enjoy. Bring your competitive edge and take on others as you get to know one another and have some fun. Children are welcome to attend with their family.

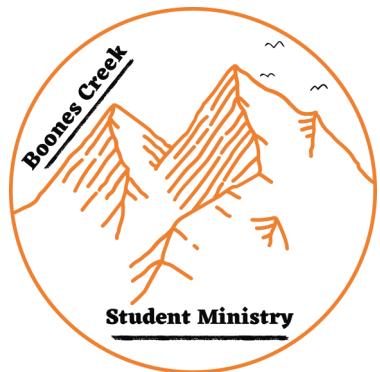
4th & 5th Grade Kids' Retreat**February 6th-8th, 2026 | Pigeon Forge | Cost: \$125****\$50 non-refundable deposit due at sign-up****Register on the app/website by going to 'EVENTS'****LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE!**

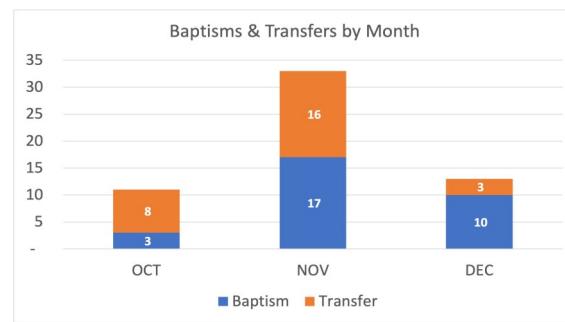
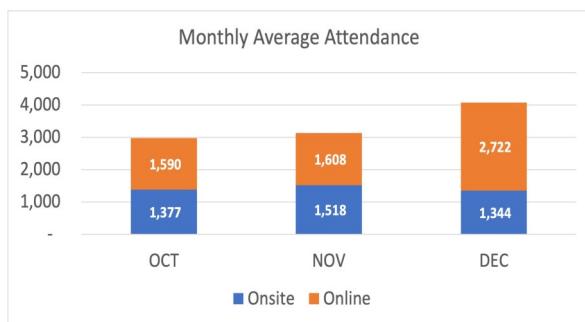
BCKIDS FAMILY SURVEY

**HELP US SERVE YOUR FAMILY BETTER BY
UPDATING US ON CURRENT INFO FOR YOUR KIDS!
YOU CAN FIND THE SURVEY ON THE APP,
WEBSITE, OR BY SCANNING THE QR CODE HERE:**

**STUDENT MINISTRY EVENTS**

Go to our website or app and head over to the Students Page to see all of our events and to learn about all things Student Ministry! If you have any questions or would like to contact Ryan Kelley, please email him at ryankelley@boonescreekcc.org.





WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

Come be a part of our midweek Bible study each Wednesday. We will begin each week at 5:30 PM, with the Wednesday Night Meal served at 5:30 PM. Donations to cover the cost will be accepted. Bible Study for Adults and Kids classes follow at 6:30 PM.

February 4th: Pork tenderloin, mashed potatoes, green beans, brownies

February 11th: Fish, baked potatoes, slaw, hushpuppies, ice cream

February 18th: Sausage, eggs, gravy and biscuits

February 25th: Chicken casserole, green beans, rolls, and brownies

Inclement Weather

Cancellation of Wednesday services will be determined according to the Johnson City Schools schedule. If the Johnson City Schools are closed or close early on Wednesday there will be no Wednesday Night Programs. Sunday worship will meet at regular service times regardless of weather conditions.

**INTERNATIONAL DISASTER
EMERGENCY SERVICE**

**PROVIDE MEALS FOR
HURRICANE RELIEF WORKERS**

- PREPARE THE MEAL
- DELIVER TO YOUTH CENTER
- HELP SERVE AND CLEANUP

Sign up today on app or website



Thanks so much to everyone that has prepared a meal or sandwiches for our IDES (International Disaster Emergency Service) volunteers.

You have put a smile on their faces each night when they come in to a hot meal after a long day's work. Remember to go to the BCCC app under Events and

sign up to prepare a hot and ready meal for the volunteers.

- Pick your date.
- Deliver it to the youth center at 5:45pm.
- Park in front of the white shower trailer and come down the steps.
- Help serve and clean up.
- Utensils, paper supplies, and drinks provided.

The number of workers will vary from 5 to 25 people each night. You will be notified in advance of how many to prepare for and if there are any dietary restrictions.



February – the Heart month

Heart Disease in the United States

Heart disease in the US is the leading cause of death for men, women, for people of most racial and ethnic groups.

One person dies every 34 second from cardiovascular disease.

In 2023, 919,032 people died from cardiovascular disease. That's the equivalent of 1 in every 3 deaths.

Heart disease costs about \$417.9 billion from 2020 to 2021. This includes the cost of health care services, medicines, and lost productivity due to death.

Coronary Artery Disease (CAD)

Coronary heart disease is the most common type of heart disease. It killed 371,506 people in 2022.

About 1 in 20 adults age 20 and older have CAD (about 5%)

In 2023, about 1 out of every 6 deaths from cardiovascular diseases was among adults younger than 65 years old.

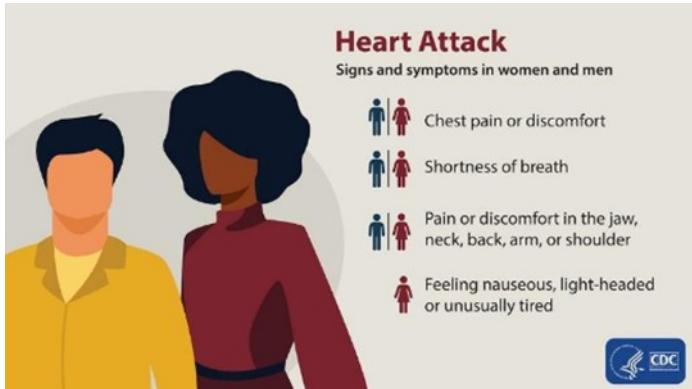
Heart attack

In the US, someone has a heart attack every 40 seconds.

Every year, about 805,000 people in the US have a heart attack. Of these, 605,000 are first heart attacks, and 200,000 happen to be people who have already had a heart attack.

About 1 in 5 heart attacks are silent—the damage is done, but the person is not aware of it.

Know the signs and symptoms of a heart attack and call 911.



Remember knowing CPR can help save a life. We had 13 BCCC members complete the CPR class in January. (www.cdc.gov/heart-disease/data-research/facts-stats/index.html)



Widow2Widow

The Widow2Widow ministry offers encouragement, comfort, support, and guidance to ladies who are dealing with the loss of their husband. It does not matter if it has been years or only a few days. All are welcome. The W2W ministry at BCCC

meets on the 3rd Thursday of each month. The group will meet on February 12th at 11:30 AM in the Kafe for our Valentine celebration. Wear your favorite Red. Please register on the church app under Events or call the church office at 423-282-0248 by February 6th. Please use Entry B when you arrive.



Journey to Hope

Journey to Hope is a positive monthly group support for those with cancer, in remission, survivors, and caregivers. The group will meet on February 5th at 6:00 PM in the Koinonia Kafe for a light supper and look at renewal. Please register on the church app under Events. Please use Entry B when you arrive.



Cancer support group!

Join us February 5th at 6:00 PM in the Kafe

Go to EVENTS on the app/website to register



Adult Softball Registration begins in February.

Practices starts in March.

It's a CO-ED league so men and women are allowed.

All new players must send in copy of Driver's License.

If any one is interested, either new or current players, please text or call.

Jacob Redman 423-833-8725

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Welcome New

Members

Chad Dalton

LaRenda Dalton

Carla Jarvis



Gabby Kate Buck	Olivia Castle
Grayson Doyle	Grayson Jordan
Seth McClure	Mackenzie Ontiveros
Ava Roberts	Kelli Roberts
Jake Slonaker	Mary Slonaker

With Heartfelt
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Restoration

February 1st - 1 Kings 11:6

February 8th - 2 Kings 17

February 15th - Nehemiah 1:1-3

February 22nd - Nehemiah 1:4-11

