



BEREAN

Loving God, Loving People

The
Value And Necessity
of
Turning Around

Pastor Mike Wells

Psalm 126:1-3, Romans 14:17-19



Our Mission:

To glorify God by growing disciples who follow Christ and love others.

Our Ministers:

The Entire Congregation

Our Shepherds:

Pastor Mike Wells
Interim Pastor

Pastor Phil Leineweber
Pastor of Student Ministries

Pastor Stephen McCune
Pastor of Congregational Devotion

Pastor Steve Storkel
Pastor of Outreach & Missions

Pastor Spencer Valeri
Pastor of Children & Parents Ministries

Ashley DeFrancisco
Director of Women's Ministry

Rev. William Heaton
Director of International Missions

Matt Spiegel
Director of Jr. High Ministries

*"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."
Acts 1:8 ESV*

Today at Berean:

10:00 a.m. Worship Service
7:00 p.m. College Christmas Party

This Week at Berean:

MONDAY, DECEMBER 31

9:00 p.m. - SURGE Sr. High Only—
1:00 a.m. New Year's Eve Bash

TUESDAY, JANUARY 1, 2019

HAPPY NEW YEAR!
Church Offices Closed

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 2

THURSDAY, JANUARY 3

9:30 a.m. Homeschool Co-Op
6:45 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
8:00 p.m. Praise Team Rehearsal

FRIDAY, JANUARY 4

6:00 p.m. SURGE Leader
1/2 Time Dinner

SUNDAY, JANUARY 6

9:00 a.m. Worship Service
with Communion
10:45 a.m. Worship Service
with Communion

***Please be in prayer
for our search committee
as they meet and engage
in the process of looking for
our next Lead Pastor.***





Welcome

Welcome to Berean!

If this is your first time at Berean, please be sure to stop by the Welcome Center in the Lobby. . . We'd love to meet you and give you a special gift!

TODAY'S CONGREGATIONAL SONGS

*King Of My Heart, Do It Again, Lay Me Down,
Great Is Thy Faithfulness, Future/Past*

We want our corporate praise to be as meaningful as possible for everyone. Please feel free to sit, if necessary, during this time. Song lyrics are available in the Lobby. All songs are reproduced by permission, CCLI #107225.



MISSIONS

MISSION FOCUS: JEPHTHE LUCIEN

Jephthe Lucien is the Pastor of Jerusalem Baptist Church in Pignon, Haiti. Mission groups from Berean have been teaming up with and serving through Jephthe's church for the past 8 years. Please keep this church and Jephthe in your prayers. For more information about Jephthe and the other missionaries that Berean supports, stop by the Missions table in between the Lobby and the Chapel for a Missions brochure and a December Prayer calendar.

www.bereanfamily.com/missions

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KEEP IN TOUCH

On the Web: www.bereanfamily.com

On Facebook: www.facebook.com/Bereanfamily

Fill out a "CONNECT CARD" located in the back of your seat.

Send an email: info@bereanfamily.com

Call: 419-756-3300 (Tuesday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.)

Berean Family App available for *free* on the Apple App Store and the Android Play Store



Sanctuary: BBC—Sanctuary1

Adult Sunday School classrooms: BBC—WClassroom (upstairs rooms only)

Password: phil0413

Please help us by limiting usage to Bible Apps only.

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Women's Ministry

R.E.A.L. Redeemed. Esteemed. Adopted. Loved.

Facebook: [Women's Ministry - Berean Baptist Church](#)

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THE QUEST
BY BETH MOORE
6 SESSIONS

JOIN US IF YOU WANT TO:

- Deepen your intimacy with God as you ask, discuss, and ponder questions of faith
- Take comfort in remembering this world is only a temporary stay until we reach our heavenly home
- Understand that questions are inherent and essential to growth

THE QUEST by Beth Moore

Women's Bible Study
beginning Thursday,
January 10th
9:30-11:30 a.m.

Sign up and purchase a
workbook, \$10 each,
today in the Lobby



ADULT MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY

July 21 – 26, we will be taking a group to Shawnee Resort in southeastern Ohio, working with **Joni & Friends** Family Summer Camp. Serve as a companion to a child or adult with a disability. In this role, your job is to be their friend for the week, giving the gift of your time and love. You will receive on-site training – no prior experience required!

If you are interested please email Sarah DeYarmon at sdeyarmon@bereanfamily.com

SERVANT HEARTS NEEDED!



Each month our faithful volunteers deliver food to around 75-80 families in the community. We would like to continue blessing this many people, but we need your help to do it. Would you consider taking 1 ½ - 2 hours once a month to serve families in need? No requirements needed other than a smile and a desire to serve. We can put you on the monthly rotation or as a sub.

Please email or call Sarah if interested:

sdeyarmon@bereanfamily.com;

419-756-3300 ext. 222.

Next delivery is on Saturday, January 19!

We'd would love to have your help!!



2019 CALENDARS

Available in the Lobby. Stop by and pick one up!

Thank you to J. Todd and Linda Snyder, of Snyder

Funeral Homes, for providing these beautiful calendars!



JOIN THE HAITI TEAM!

Has God been speaking to your heart about taking a missions trip? We are putting together a Medical, Dental, and Construction Team to go to Haiti March 2nd – 10th. Please pray about this and contact Pastor Steve Storkel if you are interested - 419-989-5309

KIDZONE FALL UPDATE



KidZone is Berean's after-school tutoring program at Malabar Intermediate School. This is our 2nd year at Malabar (with a total of 13 years of tutoring). We are having our best year ever with 8 students who are all respectful, cooperative, and willing to learn!

There are 36 Berean adult tutors who give an hour every week to work with a child. That equates to 144 one-on-one hours per month building relationships and mentoring these students.

On Tuesday, Dec. 18th, we had our annual Christmas party. Julie Heaton & Linda Montgomery shared the Biblical Christmas story with flannel graph. Nancy Ryan & Sheila VanLoo shared Biblical-themed object lessons using candy canes and sand dollars. We all enjoyed birthday cake for Jesus. Even Santa Claus showed up to hand out over \$400 in presents to the students purchased by donations from the volunteers! Michele Anderson directed the students in making Christmas cards which we took to Elmcroft Home, where we also lead the residents in singing Christmas carols. It has been a great fall program, and it was a greatly-enjoyed Christmas program!

Check Facebook for pictures: www.facebook.com/Bereanfamily

Announcing . . .

You're invited!

To: An Adoption Celebration Party
For: Pastor Spencer and Megan Valeri
When: Saturday, January 12th
from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Where: SURGE Student Center



OUR SINCERE CONDOLENCES TO:

Bob and Don Maxey and families in the passing of their father, Lloyd G. Maxey, on December 23, 2018.

WEATHER CANCELLATIONS

When the weather gets bad and there is a need to cancel programs or events at Berean, we will list them on WMFD TV, Clear Channel radio stations (ie. WMAN 1400 AM), and on line at www.wmfd.com, www.bereanfamily.com, and www.wmanfm.iheart.com

Cancellations will be based on the following:

- Weekly A.M. ministries: If Mansfield Christian School **or** Lexington Schools cancels **or** delays we will cancel.
- Weekly P.M. ministries: Cancellations will be decided by 3 P.M. and posted.



Berean Kids

December Schedule

TODAY

**Childcare will be available for 4 years old and younger:

- 0-17 months in the upstairs Bunny nursery.
- 18-35 months in the downstairs Monkey nursery.
- 3 & 4 year olds in the Bear's classroom downstairs.

If you are a regularly scheduled 1st service nursery and preschool volunteer we ask you to serve on this day.

Wednesday, January 2nd

No Adventure Club

***Childcare will be available, but we encourage you to take your preschooler to services with you for them to experience the Christmas season.*



**Sunday Morning
Kid's Church
9:00 a.m.**

**Sunday School
10:45 a.m.**

**Wednesday Night
Adventure Club
6:45–8:15 p.m.**

**Nursery
(birth-2 years old)
available every
Sunday morning
and Wednesday
evening.**

CONNECT WITH US!

On the web:
[www.bereanfamily.com/
bereankids](http://www.bereanfamily.com/bereankids)

On Facebook:
[Facebook.com/bereanchildren](https://www.facebook.com/bereanchildren)

Berean Kids monthly
newsletter mailed to you

Pastor Spencer Valeri:
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CONNECT GROUP QUESTIONS

“The Value and Necessity of Turning Around”

Psalm 126:1-3 and Romans 14:17-19

Psalm 126 is “A Song of Ascents”

What is that?

VERSE 1

To what does Zion refer?

While we do not know for certain who and when this refers we can understand in general and in principle what is going on.

Have you ever been captive? See Romans 6:15-18; See Proverbs 22:7;

See James 1:19-21

How did it feel to become free – delivered?

VERSE 2

When you genuinely experience the deliverance/restoration/reconciliation God offers it is very hard not to express it.

Why do we struggle at times with gratitude and joy?

Notice that when God works in our lives those far from God can see it!

See Peter 2:11-12

What might their response be?

VERSE 3

What is the conclusion reached in this passage?

Take the time to remember and rejoice relative to what God has done for you – for your group – for Berean.

Romans 14 is an extended teaching on how believers are to relate to one another. The specific concentration is how are those who are on different levels of spiritual maturity are to think and act as they interact concerning “disputable matters,” NIV, “opinions” ESV.

Clearly we are not referencing doctrinal or moral issues. The presenting problem Paul uses to broach the larger subject is eating meat (similar subject in 1 Corinthians 8).

What are topics/subjects that are opinions that we face today at Berean?

What instructions are there in our focus verses Romans 14:17-19

To whom is Paul directing his teaching?

Who carries the primary responsibility to bring peace and edification?

What should be the attitude of the more spiritually mature individual?

How have you seen this played out in your journey?



Sunday, December 30, 2018

**“THE VALUE AND NECESSITY
OF TURNING AROUND”**
Psalms 126:1-3 and Romans 14:17-19
Pastor Mike Wells

1. To think and praise God you must recognize _____
Psalms 126: 1- 3
*“When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion,
we were like those who dream.
Then our mouth was filled with laughter,
and our tongue with shouts of joy;
then they said among the nations,
“The LORD has done great things for them.”
The LORD has done great things for us;
we are glad.”*
Deuteronomy 4:9
*“Only take care, and keep your soul diligently, lest you forget the things
that your eyes have seen, and lest they depart from your heart all the
days of your life. Make them known to your children and your children's
children—“*
2. To win the lost you must recognize those _____
into your world.
Luke 10:2
*“And He said to them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few.
Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers
into His harvest.”*
Acts 17:26 & 27
*“And He made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the
face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries
of their dwelling place, 27 that they should seek God, and perhaps feel
their way toward Him and find Him. Yet He is actually not far from each
one of us,”*
3. To disciple and equip believers you must recognize those who are

Romans 14: 17-19
*“For the kingdom of God is not a matter of eating and drinking but of
righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit. 18 Whoever thus
serves Christ is acceptable to God and approved by men. So then let us
pursue what makes for peace and for mutual upbuilding.”*
2 Timothy 2:2
*“and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses
entrust to faithful men, who will be able to teach others also.”*

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