



SIMPSONVILLE

BAPTIST CHURCH

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MDWK

GROUPS

We are excited to announce our new logo for our Wednesday Discipleship classes, which will now be called MidWeek Groups.

Watch for it in our publications to announce our Wednesday activities for adults, youth and children.

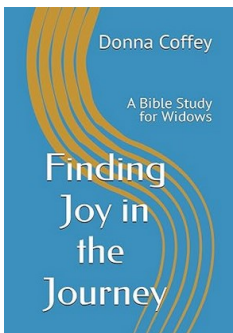
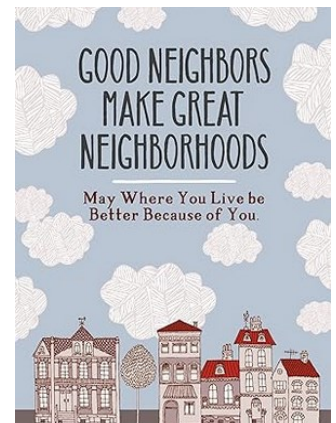
All classes begin Wednesday, August 13 at 6:15pm.

***Good Neighbors make Great Neighborhoods* by Tim DeTellis**

Facilitated by Ray Hayes and Bryce Allen

This 6-week study is an inspiring call to action that encourages everyday people to build stronger communities through intentional kindness, connection, and service. With practical ideas and heartfelt stories, this study shows how simply neighborly actions can transform neighborhoods into places of trust, compassion and shared purpose.

Cost: Free Paper Copy/Kindle \$4.99



***Finding Joy in the Journey* by Donna Coffey**

Facilitated by Linda Otterback

Finding Joy in the Journey is a 6-week Bible study for women who are navigating life after loss whether through widowhood, divorce, or seasons of loneliness. Centered on the Book of Ruth, this study follows two women, Naomi and Ruth, as they journey through grief, uncertainty, and change. Through Scripture and encouraging insights, the author gently walks alongside readers as they move from heartache to healing, learning to adjust to new realities while discovering contentment and lasting joy in God's faithful presence.

Book cost: \$15



Discover SBC Membership Class

Facilitated by Pastor Brett Martin

Discover SBC is three-session class designed to help you learn who we are as a church. Our beliefs, history, vision, mission, and values and how you can get connected. Whether you desire to become a member or are interested in learning more about SBC - this is a good next step for you.

Sign-up for all classes in the foyer. Nursery & childcare provided.



SIMPSONVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH AMAZING GRACE



We thank our Heavenly Father for giving us the privilege and blessing of serving the Lord alongside you. We also thank you for all the support you give us so we can serve our God.

We are very happy that the Lord has allowed us to take over the lease of our premises, and we feel honored by the Lord for the effort we are making to make this a reality. We ask for your prayers, that God may provide us with the necessary resources to fulfill this commitment.

We wish to inform you that this coming September, we will be holding a yard sale at our facility. If you have any items which you would like to donate, we would appreciate receiving them on Sundays when we are in the building.

We will also be training the church for the Andrés Evangelization Project, which we will be carrying out in September. Join us in praying for this plan, so that the Lord may grant us a good harvest of souls.

We continue with our weekly schedule, except that Sunday services are now from 10 am to 1 pm. We give many thanks to the Lord for all the blessings He has allowed us to have during this time. Hoping that God will shower His church with rich and abundant blessings, we bid you farewell in the love of Christ.

Luis Jeanty, Pastor



This year our we raised \$2,195 for A Loving Choice Pregnancy Resource Center. In addition, several of those participating in the fundraiser made checks directly to ALC. If you were not able to pick up a baby bottle, ALC has extended the Campaign through August 15, and you can give online using this QR code. They have raised 45% of their \$80,000 goal this year.



**SBC Serve
Weekend
October 3-5th**

Mijomboni Orphanage Update

Recently, we shared that the orphanage was seeking a CCI License which was a requirement for children being able to be housed at the facility. The license has been acquired and, in addition, the Center has become an NGO (non-government organization). Our administrator is also in need of assistance to help with the day-to-day running of the facility and an additional administrator has been hired.

Nathan shares that "The Center is beginning to look at reintegration for some of the children, which will allow them to return to family members under the care of a social worker. The Kenyan government's goals are to care for whole families rather than one or two, and provide guidance on care-giving, & household economics. After completing these programs the families will be monitored and evaluated on their economic activity to make sure they are sustainable." The Center is continuing to reach out to Send Relief for guidance on making these possible changes.

Nathan also completed a new chicken house and the parking garage for the new vehicle has been completed.

Thank you to all those who are supporting the Rescue Center through sponsorships!



SBC volunteers are responsible for keeping the food tent open from 10am-3pm.

Please sign up in the foyer if you would like to serve in two hour intervals.

JOIN US TO DISCOVER
THE SECRET TO
CONTENTMENT!

Begins
Monday, August 4
at 10am

Book cost: \$15

WHAT MATTERS MOST

BY KAREN EHMAN



The world has always been full of trials, disappointments, temptations, fractured friendships, and financial hardships. Yet Paul's letter to the Philippians claims we can discover contentment and joy in the midst of it all by prioritizing what matters most—Christ.

Over 7 sessions, study the ever-relevant Letter of Philippians to deepen your relationship with Jesus, turn your worries into worship, and develop gospel-centered tools for navigating relational conflict and thriving in Christian love.

Facilitated by Linda Ashby. Sign up in the foyer.

Women's Tea

Hosted by WMU and North Central Baptist Association

Saturday, August 9
11:30am-1:30pm
LaGrange Baptist Church
Ages: 1st grade through Adult

Bring a Walmart gift card to support NAMB missionary Pam Polkey, Irishtown Ministries in Lexington

RSVP Susan Bryant
(502) 655-7430

MOMCo is short for Mom Community
-where we mobilize moms all over the world to build life-changing community.

MOM Co begins Friday, August 15 and meets the third Friday of each month from 9:30am-11am

If anyone would like to volunteer to be a mentor mom or in childcare please reach out to McKenzie Parks or Chelsea Windhorst!

WIDOWS MINISTRY +

In July our Widows Plus Ministry served dinner to the veterans at Veteran's Rural Outreach. The meal was greatly appreciated and well attended. Fourteen pounds of meatloaf was cooked!!



**Friday,
August 22
Falls of the Ohio
Interpretive
Center**

Leaving from the church
at 10am with
transportation provided.

RSVP to Bobbie Erlandson
at 502-645-6946.

ALOHA! Bunco

Thursday, August 7
6:30pm
Sign up in the foyer!



**Son Rise
Women's Bible
Study**

**Begins Tuesday,
September 9
9:30am**

Led by
Linda Otterback
continuing with
the study of the
book of Luke.

Please join us!



Beginning Sunday, September 7

First Worship Service

8:30–9:30am

Nursery Provided

Sunday School

9:45–10:45am

For all age groups

Second Worship Service

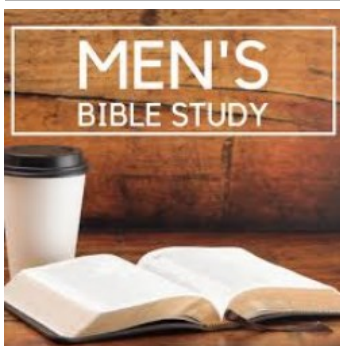
11am–12pm

**Nursery, Preschool & Elementary
Children's Church provided.**

Two Services Team Huddle Meeting

Sunday, July 27 at 12pm

Our Team Huddle will be for all those who are leading or serving on our First Impressions Teams (which includes Parking, Greeting and Ushers), Nursery and Child Check-In, and Transportation.



**Tuesdays at
8:30am**

**Led by Randy Foster
Studying
First Corinthians**

Please join us!



Weissinger Hills Men's Golf League

Thursday

**August 7 & 21
September 4 & 18**

**Cost: \$22 per person – 9 holes
We will begin at the first hole at 5:15pm.**

**Contact Lowell Ashby at 502-777-2540 if you
plan to play ANY of these dates.**



Men's Breakfast
**SATURDAY, AUGUST 9
8AM**



In June our Recreation Team held the first community car cruise. We had 32 vintage and classic cars on the lot, offered free hot dog lunches and included a cake walk! Thanks to everyone who provided baked goods and helped make this event successful!



Deacon Ministry

We are pleased to announce our Deacon Ministry Team for 2025-2026.

Deacon Chair: Scott Sageser Vice Chair: Clark Jesse
Secretary: Chet Miller

Joe Dupont	Becky Straub	Debbie Willman	Matt Moore
Greg Noe	Barry Cecil	Phil Brown	Gerry Davis
Edith McGowan	Brent White	Doug Shelburne	
Jack Nicholson	Richard Walker		

Yokefellows who will serve a year in training are:



Tolliver Hefner

Tolliver recently served as our interim youth pastor. He attends the Shepherds class and has been a member of SBC since 2020. He and his wife Mollie have two children: Emerson & Wilder.

Daniel Gadwaw

Daniel attends the Multiply class. He serves in the nursery each month. He and his wife Micalah have been members since 2021. They have two children, Harland & Everleigh.



Scott Dunn

Scott attends the Truth4Life Sunday School class. He has previously served on our Properties team and recently participated in our Kenya Mission Trip. He and his wife Connie have been member since 2022.



Angela Decker

Angela is a member of our Security Team. She has been a member since 2022.

Printed copies of the Deacon Handbooks and Deacon Questionnaires will be available for review at the July 27th Ministry Meeting which include the following updates:

- Use of the Deacon Family Ministry plan,
- Selection of deacons and yokefellows to equally consider attendance and involvement in Discipleship Training and Small Groups to Sunday School.

These updates were applied in the selection of the new deacons and yokefellows for this coming year.

SBC Prayer Group

Meets every Wednesday at 10am to pray for our church family, friends and community.

We invite you to join us!

SBC Prayer Wall

Go to our Serve tab on the SBC website to sign up for our Prayer Wall.

You can list your family's needs and keep updated on our church family needs.



Church Family Trivia

This person gave a high five to Ray Charles at a concert.

This individual premiered two musicals co-written by Hee Haw's Grady Nutt.

We will list the answers in next month's newsletter.

This couple took their dog on their honeymoon! He is unnaturally afraid of pigs and she is deathly fearful of popping balloons! Steve & Delisa Mahanes

If you have a fun trivia question about yourself, please send it to the church office and we will include it in one of our newsletters.

ONLINE GIVING

For those wishing to set up online giving through the Subsplash website, please use this QR code.



Welcome

Jonathan & Amber Thurman

We are excited after attending Simpsonville Baptist for 10 years, to be official members. Jonathan is a mechanic and owns Mobile Mechanics, behind Huck's in Simpsonville. Amber is a Medical Sales Representative for Alcon Surgical, and sells equipment and intraocular lenses to ophthalmologists that do cataract surgery in KY, WV and OH. Gage and Jude are Seniors at Collins HS. They both play football, volleyball and soccer, and are involved in the Fellowship of Christian Athletes and the youth group at Simpsonville Baptist, along with other activities. We all love to play pickleball and our church family!



Debbie La Rue

Hello there, my name is Debbie La Rue and I wanted to share a little bit about myself with you. I am 65, a mother of three sons and one daughter, a grandmother of four boys and a girl, a Navy Veteran, and am wholly a child of God.

I prayed that the Lord would direct me to the church that would be my home and thankfully he sent me to all of you. I felt welcome from the very start and felt the sincerity of every one of you. This instantly melted away my fears and encouraged me to be fully present for the sermon that followed.

I am excited to embark on this journey with you, my brothers and sisters. God bless you.

Ethan & Erika Henry

Hi, we're Ethan and Erika Henry, proud parents of two amazing boys, Elijah and Emmett. Our family loves spending time outdoors whether it's hunting, fishing, micro farming, or simply enjoying the fresh air. We also cherish movie nights and making memories together. Ethan works at LG&E, while Erika is a full-time student and stay-at-home mom. Elijah is full of energy and curiosity and loves going to Adventure Club. Emmett is almost one year old and is into everything. He keeps us on our toes and the boys bring us so much joy and laughter to our days. We're grateful for the simple moments and the time we get to share as a family. We aspire to share the good news and hope in Christ, serve and love people as Christ loved us, and grow in our faith.

Erika's favorite Bible verse...Ephesians 3:1-8

Ethan's favorite Bible verse...Colossians 3:13



Midweek groups are a chance to connect with others, ask questions, pray together, and build real friendships outside of Sunday mornings. Whether you're new to church or have been around a while, it's a great way to grow and do life with others.

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YOUTH

Youth Ministry (6th-12th grade) meets on Wednesdays at 6:15pm in the Youth Room.

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KIDS

Kid's Ministry (preschool-5th grade) meets on Wednesdays at 6:15pm in the gym.

The GOOD TIME TRAVELERS

Thursday, August 14

Louisville Botanical Gardens Tour
with luncheon at
The Overlook Restaurant
In Leavenworth, IN

We will leave from the church at 10:15am.

Tour costs provided by the church; lunch is self-pay.

We have thirty openings. Sign up in the foyer.



Beginning this month our Good Time Travelers Group will be led by John & Emily Royse. We are profoundly grateful for the many years this senior adult group has been led by Dixie Taylor. We hope you enjoy the memories of your favorite GTT trips and luncheons and encourage you to share suggestions with the Royse's.



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| 1 Karley Dugle | 17 Brett Clark |
| 2 Doug Wilkins, Mike Moore | 18 Alan Straub, David Slone |
| 3 Cheryl Read | 19 Ashley Boswell |
| 4 Clara Dupont | 21 Matt Garner, Luc Kramer |
| 5 Palmer Coomes, George Skeeters | 24 Mary Alcorn-Twitty |
| 6 Mike Hammond | 25 Paula Garner |
| 7 Mark McAllister | 27 Lisa Coats, Mike Dugle, John Vaughan |
| 8 Emerson Hefner, Sevi Standafer | 28 Jesse Cook, Taff Moore |
| 10 Sarah Meza, James Minor, | 29 Patty Dixon, Gary Huff, Marilyn Rhoads |
| Caitlin Van Schalkwyk, Logan Rogers | 30 Jude Miller, Lowry Miller, Carley Stein |
| | 31 Johnathan Durham, Dale Sanford |
| 11 Jennifer Horne, Rachael Longacre | |
| 13 Lacy Walthall, Orville Marcum, Duke Williams | |
| 16 Charlotte Bradley | |

If your birthday is missing or incorrect, please contact the church office at 502-722-5246.



Periodically, we include announcements that highlight how our church family is impacting and serving in our community.

Ron Sanders won a best of show trophy for his 1954 Lincoln Capri at the Cincinnati Mid America meet of the Lincoln Continental owners club, June 21st. The car has only 46,000 actual miles.



Mondays
6-9pm



Youth Ministry MDWK Event
Wednesday, August 27 at
6:15pm.



We had a historical VBS this year!

- 310 children registered!
- Avg attendance was 280.
- Ninety volunteers
- McKenzie Parks and her VBS décor helpers created the BEST VBS learning environment ever!
- Mollie Hefner organized a wonderful but busy week.
- We had 507 attend our VBS Sunday Worship.



Our volunteers included youth, Adventure Club teachers, staff, and parents. It would be impossible to serve our community and children without you! We are very grateful for your gift of time.



We collected \$845 for Storm Haven Youth Ranch in Shelbyville and school supplies for schools in London, KY that were affected by tornadoes recently.



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