

Bro. k says: “Good News Mixed With Bad”

Tact, it would seem, is a lost art. Like Bob. Bob and his wife had a poodle. They loved the poodle. One day Bob’s wife went on a trip with her side of the family. Each day she would call Bob to check on things back home. One day she called, and asked “How are things?”. Bob replied, “The dog’s dead.” His wife was crushed by the news.

After collecting her thoughts, she asked, “Why do you do that? Why can’t you be more tactful?” Bob said, “What did you want me to say? The dog died.” She said, “Well, you could give it to me in stages. The first day you could say the dog’s on the roof. Then the next day you could tell me the dog fell off the roof. Then the next you could tell me you had to take the dog to the vet. And then you could tell me the dog died. I could handle that.”

Bob sincerely apologized for his thoughtless action. Then his wife asked, “Oh, by the way. How’s mother?” Bob said, “She’s on the roof.”

There is no tactful way for some news to be delivered. Take for instance the Gospel. At the heart of the “good news” is the bad news that mankind is sinful and is separated from God. That news is often met with anger and argument. But no amount of tact can soften the blow. Humans have blown it. Because of our sin we are eternally lost without God. That is a hard truth, and no amount of tact or etiquette can make it easy to swallow. But that is just a part of the gospel.

Then comes the joyous news. God made a way! He sent His Son to take on the sins of the world so that “whosoever” (that’s us) believes in Him would no longer be separated, but have eternal life with God. That’s good news. No tact required.

Brandon’s Blurp:

Happy New Year, Church Family.

My hope for us is that in 2022 we draw closer to the Lord through worshiping Him, cherishing His Word, spending intentional time in prayer, serving others in His Name, and growing closer together as a fellowship of believers.

Jesus has called for total obedience, willingness to be rejected, and counting the costs of true discipleship (Luke 14:25-35). I have been praying and reflecting on how I can better serve the Lord in 2022. I know I need to spend more time with God-fearing men from our church. I’ve considered doing a devotional podcast for our church members to use on their commutes to work or the grocery store. I want to write songs for our church to sing that are our songs.

What about you? What are 2-3 areas you can start focusing on to better follow Jesus. Take it one step at a time and one day at a time. Let’s make much of Jesus in Berryville in 2022. I love you all. God bless you, church.

CHRISTMAS DEMOLITION

This afternoon at 2:00 we will take down our Christmas decorations and put them in storage for the next year. If you can help please lend a hand. It should not take long if we have lots of help.

Thank you!



Welcome to SHBC

About SHBC

We are a group of Christ-followers who believe in the power of God to change lives. We want to see transformation take place in your life, and in your family’s. We see that happening in this Church through the consistent teaching and preaching of God’s Word, and through the encouragement and support of fellow believers. Our worship is simple and Spirit-led, meaning God is the focus of everything we do, because He alone is able to help; He alone is able to save; therefore, He alone is worthy of our devotion.

Our activities and teaching are centered around the Biblical directive to “make disciples.” Simply put, everything we do is for the purpose of pointing people to Jesus, so they can become more like Him. SHBC is a relatively young Church, but a Church that God has already blessed in miraculous ways. We invite you to become a part of our family, and experience the power of Christ in your life.

Join The Family

The only biblical requirements for Church membership are that you are born again and have been baptized. That means that you have publicly professed your faith in Christ and then been baptized by immersion after your salvation. If that is the case, you are eligible for membership.

There are several different ways to join SHBC, depending on your situation. Please talk with our Pastor if you have questions about becoming a member here.

Thanks for Coming

If you are a visitor in our worship service today, we are thrilled to have you. Our prayer is that you are drawn into the presence of Christ during this time, and your encounter with Him will leave you more transformed into His image. If you are new to our community, or if you don't have a current Church home, we hope you will prayerfully consider Southern Heights Baptist Church as your regular place of worship.

If you are just visiting the Berryville area, we hope you enjoy your stay and will come back soon. In either case, we would like to have a record of your visit, and be made aware of any prayer concerns you might have.

Thank you for being here today.

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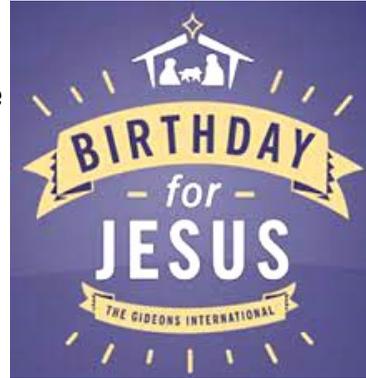
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I would like more information about Southern Heights: (Y) (N)

Prayer needs:

Birthday For Jesus

Southern Heights continues to value our partnership with Gideons International, helping to plant Bibles beyond our local reach. With "Birthday for Jesus," churches like ours are providing Scriptures throughout the world, so more lives can be touched through hope found only in Jesus Christ. There is a "Birthday Christmas Tree" in the Church foyer. There will be an ornament for you to hang on the Birthday Christmas Tree, representing your gift. You will need to fill out the space on the back of the ornament with the amount of your gift. Thank you for spreading the Word of God all over the world.



FIRED UP BASKETBALL AND CHEER IS BACK

Another Covid casualty over the last year was Fired Up Basketball and Cheer. We are happy to tell you that Fired Up is back by popular demand. Registration begins this week and will continue through the month of January. Final registration will be on Jan. 29th at the Community Center. Pick up a registration form today. Boys and girls grades K-3rd are eligible.

Practice and games begin Feb. 3. **WE NEED COACHES!**
SIGN UP IN THE FOYER-
BE AN INFLUENCE FOR JESUS
IN A CHILD'S LIFE!



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Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

Today we continue our annual Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions. This offering is unique in that none of it is portioned out for nebulous "administrative costs", or any other additional reason. The collected offerings go directly into the hands of men and women all over the world who are serving to spread the gospel to "the uttermost parts of the earth." It is used to house, support, train and feed our missionaries all over the world. When you give to Lottie, you can be assured that every red cent goes to those who need it the most, our international missionaries.

Thank you for participating.

There is only one more week to participate in this offering. Ask God to show you what to give.

