



August 25, 2024

“... for our gospel did not come to you in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction.”

1 Thessalonians 1:5a NASB

End of Summer Beach Day for BSW Underground:

BSW Underground will finish off our summer together at White Sands Beach with swimming, yard games, and kayaking from 1 to 5 pm this Wednesday, August 28th. Bring a snack and money if you'd like ice cream or mini-golf.

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Family Business for August 25, 2024

Today we will provide updates on the 3rd annual Ladies Conference, the secondary school students in Zambia seeking sponsorship, and news about a memorial service at the church this week.

Message notes for August 25, 2024

Today we will enter 1 Thessalonians chapter one and learn about a thriving group of new Christ-followers. Lessons from this chapter include:

- 1) The power of blessing v. 1
- 2) The power of thanksgiving v. 2-3
- 3) The power of the gospel v. 4-5
- 4) The power of witness v. 6-7
- 5) The power of repentance v. 8-10
- 6) The time of waiting v. 10

This Week at BSW

On Sunday (8-25) – Micro-church in the Wood County Jail. Pastor Lonnie leads.

On Tuesday (8-27) – The Shepherd’s Loft clothing ministry is open from 9:30 until noon. *We are praying for a steady supply of banana boxes.*

On Tuesday (8-27) – Micro-church at Cranberry Court assisted living at 10 am. Pastor Milt leads. Please pray over this new work of BSW.

On Tuesday (8-27) – Memorial Service for Ken Whiteside in the sanctuary at 1 pm.

On Wednesday (8-28) – BSW Underground Day at the Beach at White Sands Beach from 1 to 5 pm. See details on the first page of this newsletter.

This Week at BSW continued:

On Wednesday (8-28) – Micro-church at Waterford nursing home at 10:30 am. Pastor Milt leads.

On Friday (8-30) – The Shepherd's Loft clothing ministry is open from 9:30 am until noon.

On Friday (8-30) – Bible Study (Psalms & Proverbs) in the Shepherd's Loft 11:15 am until noon with Pastor Milt and Shepherd's Loft Processing Team. All are welcome.

On Friday (8-30) – Bible reading and fellowship with Jonathan and Pastor Carri Johnson from 6 pm to 7:30 pm in the sanctuary.

By The Numbers

Celebrating new life in Christ:

For the 2024-25 Church year (June 1, 2024, until May 31, 2025):

Those confessing Christ as Savior and Lord: 3

Those recommitting their life to Christ: 0

Those being baptized: 3

Call-to-Ministry: 0

Attendance Report for August 2024

Date	Sanctuary	Micro-Churches	Online Raw #	X 1.7 Reporting Number	Total Foot Print
Y-T-D Averages June 24-May 25	102	29	18	31	162
Aug 4	90	44	21	36	170
Aug 11	76	43	18	31	150
Aug 18	100	64	24	41	205
Aug 25					
Aug Ave.					

Upcoming at BSW

Weekly Men's Group Starting Soon:

Starting September 9th, Monday evenings from 7-8pm will be a time for men to grow their faith and friendships through intentional time in God's word, prayer, and fellowship. The plan is to meet in the BSW Family Center, so please come to that door (door opens at 6:45). If there are men that would like to join with mobility issues, we can meet at another location in the church. For questions, please contact Kevin Lien (763-360-0988).

Shepherd's Loft Clothing Mission:

The Shepherd's Loft Clothing Mission is open to the public on Tuesday and Friday mornings for patrons to receive free clothes, shoes, and linens. Please call 715-421-5335 to schedule your 30-minute appointment for 9:30 am, 10 am, 10:30 am, or 11 am.

Ladies of Baker Street Wesleyan!

Joelle Lemke will now be leading the Monday Night Women's Bible study. Beginning Monday, September 9, 2024. We will be meeting from 5:30pm to 6:30pm. Come to front doors with parking lot as we will be meeting in the lobby. We will start with a 5-week study by Ann Voskamp, "One Thousand Gifts."

Do you "Dare to live life fully right where you are?" If so, I cannot wait to see you there as we grow together in Christ.

Text Joelle with any questions at 715-498-2763.

Fall 2024 Women's Conference

Announcing the 2024 Fall Women's Conference to be held **Saturday, November 2, 2024** from 9:00am to 2:00pm. This conference is open to all women ages 16 and up who have a heart to grow closer to the Lord Jesus Christ. We will be discovering the wonderful gifts from God of Peace, Love, and Joy. We invite you to celebrate with us as we praise the Lord together and seek to become more like Him! Mark your calendars, invite your friends and family members, and come for a time of Joy! A time of Peace! And a time of Love! All in Jesus! Please call or text Pastor Carri with questions at 269-967-2125, email at pastorjohnson@bswfamil.com More information will be available soon!

Supporting BSW: There are four ways that you can support BSW with your tithes and offerings.

- 1) Securely online at bakerstwesleyan.org using the “support BSW” tab on the right-hand side of the homepage.
- 2) In the jar provided in the sanctuary on the tech booth.
- 3) By mail to Baker Street Wesleyan Church, 640 Baker St. Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin, 54494. Attn: Treasurer.
- 4) Donation of stock and securities to our Edward Jones account.

Tithes and Offerings Report

Date	General Fund	Zambia Partnership	Warehouse Partnership	Wish List	Pastoral Scholarship
Y-T-Date 6-24 to 5-25	25,929	4,216	2,920	3,170	2,000
Aug 4	2,972	2			
Aug 11	1,940	2	620		
Aug 18	2,788	2			
Aug 25					
Aug Totals					

*Jail Ministry \$150 on 7/21/2024

Leadership Team 2024-25:

Local Board of Administration as elected at the Local Church Conference on Thursday, June 20, 2024 serving until the next local church conference.

Chairperson: Rev. Milt Van Natta, Senior Pastor

Treasurer: Jamie Mlsna

Secretary: Kimberly Bier

Members-at-Large: Kat Esser, Mike Hamilton, Diane Jackson, Bonnie Lemke, Brandon Pautz, and Kevin Lien (Vice-Chair).

Your BSW Staff Team

Lead Pastor/Teaching Pastor/Shepherd's Loft: Rev. Milt Van Natta

Next Generations Director/Music Leader: Pastor Seth Dykstra

Assistant Pastor of Discipleship/Zambia: Rev. Carri Johnson

Assistant Pastor of Spiritual Care/Prayer Chain: Rev. Jim Leston

Jail Ministry Missionary: Rev. Lonnie Selje

Heart of the 27 New Testament Books:

The Gospels –

(Matthew, Mark, and Luke are also called the synoptic gospels because they are very similar in content)

Matthew: The Gospel to the Jews (written to the Jews)

Mark: The Gospel of Action (written to the Romans)

Luke: The Historical Certainty of the Gospel (written to the Greeks)

John: The Believer's Connectedness to Christ (written to everyone)

Acts: The Advance of the Gospel (Luke and Acts written by Luke a Gentile)

(Matthew through Acts are the history books of the New Testament. The gospels are biographies of Jesus and his ministry. Acts covers the birth of the church and the evangelization of the world)

The 13-Letters of the Apostle Paul begin with Romans

Romans: The Systematic Summary of Being Saved by Faith

1 Corinthians:
2 Corinthians:
Galatians:
Ephesians:
Philippians:
Colossians:
1 Thessalonians:
2 Thessalonians:
1 Timothy:
2 Timothy:
Titus:
Philemon:
Hebrews:
James:
1 Peter:
2 Peter:
1 John:
2 John:
3 John:
Jude:
Revelation: