

Sunday, October 20, 2024 Pastor Appreciation Month

"Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you entirely; and may your spirit and soul and body be preserved complete, without blame at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ."

1 Thessalonians 5:23 NASB

### Ladies Conference on Saturday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>

This conference will focus on Peace-Joy-Love and will be conducted from 9 am to 2 pm. There is no charge to attend. All women 16 and up are welcome. Mothers with newborn babies are welcome to bring their babies to the conference. Snacks will be provided. Fliers available in the lobby!

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### Family Business for October 20

We have five of the ten Zambian students sponsored- five more to go ... The new edition of Wesleyan Life is available throughout the church... an invitation to the Women's conference on Saturday, November 2nd.

Notes for today's teaching from God's Word: 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24

- 1. Connect to our series from 1 Thessalonians
- 2. What exactly is sanctification anyway? An example from Isaiah 6:1-8 of how sanctification is being cleansed from sin and made ready to serve the glory of the Lord
- 3. We are on a sanctification journey- 1 Thessalonians 4:3. We have been sanctified (initial sanctification), but we are also being sanctified (progressive sanctification), and we will be sanctified (glorification). All three tenses- past, present, and future are true of our sanctification.
- 4. Only God can sanctify you through his purity and holiness. Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are all involved and have their role. It God's will that we be sanctified. Sanctification is powerful thing- Ephesians 1:15-21.
- 5. My part is to surrender or give all of myself over to God.

#### This Week at BSW

On Sunday (10-20) – Micro-church in the Wood County Jail. Pastor Lonnie leads. Pray for God's favor on Pastor Lonnie.

On Monday (10-21) – Women's study group on being grateful from the teachings of Anne Voskamp at 5:30 pm in the church lobby. Joelle Lemke leads.

On Monday (10-21) – Men's study group meets from 7 to 8 pm in the Family Center. Kevin Lien leads.

On Tuesday (10-22) – The Shepherd's Loft clothing ministry is fully stocked with fall and winter clothing. Appointments available at 9:30, 10, 10:30, and 11 am to receive clothes, shoes, towels, and bedding. Donations can be dropped off from 9:30 am until noon.

On Tuesday (10-22) – Micro-church at Cranberry Court assisted living at 10 am. Pastor Milt leads.

On Tuesday (10-22) – Bible Study (Psalms and Proverbs) in the main lobby of the church from 11:15 am until noon.

On Wednesday (10-23) – Micro-church at Waterford nursing home at 10:30 am. Pastor Milt leads.

On Wednesday (10-23) – BSW Underground (6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade) meets in the Family Center from 6:30 to 8 pm in the Family Center. Doors open at 6 pm.

On Friday (10-25) – The Shepherd's Loft clothing ministry is open from 9:30 am until noon.

# **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.

# 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: 5

Those recommitting their life to Christ: 2

Those being baptized: 3

Call-to-Ministry: 0

## Attendance Report for October 2024

Date	Sanctuary	Micro-	Online	X 1.7	Total
		Churches	Raw #	Reporting	Foot
				Number	Print
Y-T-D	98	37	21	35	170
Averages					
To 9/30					
Oct. 6	98	51	29	49	198
Oct. 13	107	45	25	43	195
Oct. 20					
Oct. 27					
Oct. Ave.					

<u>Supporting BSW:</u> 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	Zambia	Warehouse	Wish	Pastoral
	Fund	Partnership	Partnership	List	Scholarship
Y-T-Date	48,601	4,234	5,390	3,510	2,000
As of 9-30					
Oct. 6	4,120				
Oct. 13	1,531	4	720		
Oct. 20					
Oct. 27					
Oct. Totals					

<sup>\*</sup>Jail Ministry \$150 on 7/21 and \$83 on 10/6

<sup>\*</sup> Christmas Shoeboxes \$100 on 9/15, \$150 on 9/29 & \$100 on 10/6

<sup>\*</sup> Middle School Retreat \$500 on 9/22, \$75 on 9/29 & \$300 on 10/13

### 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: Division and immorality in the church

2 Corinthians: Paul's personal defense

Galatians: Christians are justified by faith alone

Ephesians: Living as the body of Christ

Philippians: The epistle (or letter) of joy!

Colossians: The pre-eminence of Jesus Christ

1 Thessalonians: Keep growing spiritually

2 Thessalonians: Clear teachings on Christ's second coming

1 Timothy: Administration of the church

2 Timothy: For people near death

Titus: Order and structure in the church

Philemon: About the slave Onesimus

Hebrews: Jesus, the great high priest