



Sunday, September 14, 2025

“How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news of good things!”

Romans 10:15

Welcome Dr. Kalembo! Welcome Dr. Smith!

Today we welcome Dr. Alfred Kalembo from Lusaka, Zambia on behalf of our brothers and sisters in Zambia! He brings good news of how the sea container ministry is helping the people of his homeland. We also welcome Dr. Henry Smith. He brings us an update on the progress at the new Africa Wesleyan University College in Zimba, Zambia. He will share how the sea container ministry is helping there. How blessed we are to hear firsthand about our partnerships in Zambia!

Family Business for September 14, 2025

- 1) Today is Family Day with lunch and fellowship after service.
- 2) LBA Meeting on Tuesday evening.
- 3) BSW Underground is Wednesday evening.

Sermon notes Dr. Smith and Dr. Kalembo:

This Week at BSW

On Sunday (9-14) – Three micro-churches meet in the Wood County Jail this afternoon. Pastor Lonnie and Pastor Milt lead.

On Monday (9-15) – Women’s study group meets at 5:30 pm in the church lobby. Joelle Lemke leads.

On Monday (9-15) – Men’s study group meets at the Warehouse at 7 pm. Alex Miller leads.

On Tuesday (9-16) – The Shepherd’s Loft clothing ministry is open to people in need of clothing, bedding, and towels with appointments at 9:30, 10, 10:30, and 11 am available. Donations will be accepted from 9 am until noon.

On Tuesday (9-16) – Bible study in the Loft processing area at 11:15 am. Pastor Milt begins a study of the book of Revelation. Join us for a fresh perspective on Revelation.

On Tuesday (9-16) – Local Board of Administration meets at 7pm.

On Wednesday (9-17) – Micro-church at Waterford nursing home at 10:30 am. Pastor Milt leads ... Micro-church at Arborwood Lodge at 1:30 pm. Pastor Jim leads.

On Wednesday (9-17) - Next Level ministry for youth from Youth for Christ held in the Family Center from 3:30 to 5:30 pm ... then the BSW Underground at 6 pm until 8 pm. Youth attending both are welcome to stay in the Family Center between events.

On Thursday (9-18) – Pastors staff meeting from 9:30 am to 10:45.

On Friday (9-19) – The Shepherd’s Loft clothing ministry is open to people in need of clothing, bedding, and towels with appointments at 9:30, 10, 10:30, and 11 am available. Donations will be accepted from 9 am until noon.

On Saturday (9-20) – Men’s Fellowship Breakfast at 8 am.

Also:

- The Christmas showbox collection is underway for 2025. All the details are available on Tech Booth. The collection boxes are there also!
- Please continue to pray for Pastor Carri Johnson as she prepares to travel to Zambia in October to speak at a women’s conference there.

By The Numbers

Celebrating new life in Christ:

For the 2025-26 Church year (June 1, 2025 until May 31, 2026):

Those confessing Christ as Savior and Lord: 4 (Crystal and Kyle in jail in August)

Those recommitting their life to Christ: 4 (Eric, Moet, James, and Zachary in jail in August)

Those being baptized: 0

Call-to-Ministry: 0

Attendance Report

Date	Sanctuary	Micro-Churches	Online Raw #	X 1.7 Reporting Number	Total Foot Print
Y-T-D Averages To 8/31	99	40	29	50	189
Sept. 7	104	60	29	49	213
Sept. 14					
Sept. 21					
Sept. 28					
Monthly Ave.					

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	
Y-T-Date As of 8/31	44,193	6,514	5,260		
Sept. 7	3,526	2	570		
Sept. 14					
Sept. 21					
Sept. 28					
Monthly Ave.					

Earmarked Giving last week: Jail Bibles \$605 and Christmas Shoeboxes \$100.

Leadership Team 2025-26:

Local Board of Administration as elected at the Local Church Conference on Sunday, June 22, 2025 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

Building and Grounds Care Team

- Project Managers: Mike Hamilton, Brandon Pautz and Mimi Sievers.

Hearts on Fire: Four Spiritual Journeys in 2025

Journey One- *First Time Through*: Reading/Listening to Good News Bible

Monday, 9-15: 3 John

Tuesday, 9-16: Jude

Wednesday, 9-17: Revelation 1

Thursday, 9-18: Revelation 2

Friday, 9-19: Revelation 3

Saturday, 9-20: Revelation 4

Sunday, 9-21: Revelation 5

Journey Two- Daily Holiness Devotional Reading: *When Morning Gilds the Skies* by Dr. John Oswalt. Read the devotional for each day.

Journey Three- Praying for the World from World Almanac and Book of Facts: Be a cot-bearer and pray for the world by name. Also pray as the Lord leads you.

- 1) Read the intercession prayer from page 18 of the Field Guide for Daily Prayer
- 2) Pray for President Trump and Vice-President Vance. Also, Speaker of the House Mike Johnson and Senate leader John Thune.

- 3) The congressional delegations of Wyoming, Alabama, and Alaska (Senators on pages 10-11 and Congressional Representatives on page 17 and page 11).
- 4) These five countries and their leaders; Taiwan, Tajikistan, Tanzania, Thailand, and Timor-Leste on pages 840-842.
- 5) Ask God to forgive our nation for the hatred and violence that fills our land. Ask him for his mercy to heal us.
- 6) Pray for Governor Evers and the 33 state senators and the 99 state assembly persons of the state of Wisconsin.

Journey Four- Morning and Evening Surrender. Read John Baillie's *Diary of Private Prayer*. One prayer for morning and one prayer for evening. Please read out loud over your own life and heart.