

## Bro. K says: "News Worth Sharing?"

Have you ever been in an underground cavern, such as Carlsbad Caverns or the Cave of the Winds, when the guides turned out all the lights? It's the darkest of the dark. The guides claim that eventually people in such extreme darkness will lose their vision and, after a number of weeks, their sanity. Darkness is frightening. .

As Jesus was dying on the cross, God enveloped the earth in darkness for three hours (Mark 15:33). It was as if a giant hand had suddenly switched off the lights of the universe and left us in darkness. What did it mean?

One poet, imagining that scene, suggested that the sun saw her Maker crucified...and blushed. Isaac Watts said:

"Well might the sun in darkness hide  
And shut Christ's glories in,  
When the Incarnate Maker died  
For man, His creature's sin."

When the Light of the world died, all the lights went out. That darkness symbolized the blight of humanity as sin-darkened creatures, wandering in a lost condition, unable to find our way. But Christ is the Light of the world.

Thursday at 6:00, SHBC will take that light to the City of Berryville. We need everyone to participate. We cannot hide this light.

There are almost 400 members and attenders of Southern Heights Baptist Church.

In preparation for that event, two months ago we asked for each of you to fill out a form listing a name of a lost person you know.

To date, we have received four of those forms.

So I ask, "Is this 'good news' worth sharing?"

## *Sunday Morning Prayer Time*

EVERY SUNDAY A.M. from 9:00-9:30, we invite you to join the leadership of SHBC in a time of silent prayer for the future of this body of believers. Please plan for this important ministry.

*"Again, I tell you that if two of you on earth agree about anything you ask for, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three come together in my name, there am I with them."*

## Brandon's Blurbs:

My family lived in Arma, KS before moving to Berryville. Arma was a small community of 1500. We didn't have a grocery store or restaurant. But we had a Dollar General and a gas station that served pizza. Necessities covered, right? Arma was a quaint and clean town with an extensive need for Jesus. Studies had shown that about 90% of our community had no affiliation with any church, a relationship with Jesus, or desire to have new life. In every way it was a *lost* town.

One Friday night I went to watch our local football team lose their 6th straight game. They lost every game they played that season. As I sat in the full stands that frigid night I looked around to see hundreds of people supporting a pretty terrible football team. I remember thinking, "We worship the wrong things."

In a town with three churches, the largest running around 45 people, our football stadium was packed. When baseball season started every bleacher was packed. Our town loved sports. They loved their kids. But very few loved the Lord.

I haven't been able to attend a game without the thought crossing my mind, "Lord, how many of these folks don't know you?" We've been called to be sharers of Good News. When we walk into a room, it should be the equivalent to a 300 watt bulb at full intensity. Everyone sees the light, feel its warmth, and recognize its source.

Berryville *needs* Jesus. Guess who gets to share the amazing news of God's salvation? *Us!* Let's not worship the wrong things. Let's give worth to the King Who's worthy of our all.

## *Upcoming SALT Trips*

Sign up in the foyer today!

Dec. 3: The Dutton's Christmas Show– Branson

## WINTER COATS NEEDED

The recent cool weather is a reminder that winter is just around the corner. Our community (especially our school kids) will have a tremendous need for warm clothes very soon. Southern Heights is partnering with Bright Futures to ensure that every student in our schools has a coat. We are collecting new or gently-used coats of all sizes to provide for these students.

Please partner with us.

## *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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PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Prayer needs: \_\_\_\_\_  
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THIS WEEK AT SOUTHERN HEIGHTS BAPTIST CHURCH		
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>9:00-9:30 am</b>	<i>Prayer for our Church (Sanctuary)</i>
	9:45 am	Bible Study
	11:00 am	Morning Worship
	4:30 pm	Men's Bible Study, Kidz Praze
<b>MONDAY</b>	6:00 pm	Evening Worship
	5:30 pm	FBI
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	5:30 pm	Youth
	5:45 pm	AWANA—Layers Night
	6:00 pm	Adult Bible Study
	7:20 pm	Choir Practice
<b>THURSDAY</b>	6:00 pm	Outreach



## Fired Up Basketball & Cheer Returns

In January, SHBC will once again sponsor our Basketball & Cheer Camp. The camp is for K-3rd Grade, and will run from Jan. 30-Feb. 22. This beginner level camp will cover the basic skills necessary to succeed at roundball, as well as a crash course in the rules of the game. We need coaches and help with setup and tear down each meeting. There is no experience required to coach. If you can help, there is a sign up list in the foyer.

Camper registration forms are also available in the foyer.

## Operation Christmas Child 2019

We continue to distribute shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child, Franklin Graham's organization that delivers Christmas gifts to children all over the world. Included in each gift box will be the Good News of Jesus Christ.

You will fill up your boxes with toys and candy, return your box to the Church by Nov. 24. Be sure to pick up the tags that go with each box.

## Southern Heights News

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## SHBC OUTREACH EVENT: NOV.21

Thursday Nov. 21, at 6:00 p.m., we will hit the streets of Berryville to reach our neighbors with the good news of Jesus Christ. Church, this is our calling; the reason we exist. Please mark your calendar to be part of this effort to evangelize our city. We are using the Outreach Forms that you fill out as the basis for these visits, so if you haven't filled one out yet, grab one and get it to us today.

Every person we visit will be given information about the ministries of our Church, and information about how to have a relationship with Jesus. We should ALL participate, because they ALL need Jesus.

## Thanksgiving Meal

Sunday November 24, Southern Heights will enjoy a Thanksgiving Meal after our morning worship time. The Church will provide the turkey and the drinks. We would like you to provide all the other elements of a traditional holiday meal. If you have your own family specialty handed down by your great-great grandmother, bring it to share with the rest of us. We need a few people to volunteer to take our turkeys and cook them at home. If that is you, please call the Church office.