



SPBC equips people to *Love God,*
Love Others, Lead Generations.

~ *The Informer* ~

January-February 2012

“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.”
Luke 4:18-19

What’s Happening in 2012?

We have entered another year together. Many have taken the time to review all that happened in the previous year and then have made some new commitments toward the next. It marks the beginning of my third year as your Pastor. There are some things I imagine and want to happen in 2012. I know that our first few months will be deep in preparation as we explore **international mission partnerships** (SENT 2012), begin **outreach planning** (Easter and VBS will be around the corner; we’ll be back at the Arnold Children’s Fair in May;... and our annual Car Show is on its 5th year!). I also suspect many will grow deeper in their personal faith walk with the Lord Jesus as we take the **Luke Challenge**, participate in our group study of **i-BELIEVE: Christian Doctrine** on Wednesday nights and of course continue meeting together for spiritual growth in our weekly **Bible Groups**.



On the other hand, there are other things that we have no idea will happen. The Redskins just may make the playoffs next year. Reese's might come out with a 0-calorie peanut-butter cup (please God!). Version 666 of the i-phone will come out. Seriously, if we are honest, we all have questions about this next year. I know I am praying the housing market returns so I can sell a house. Many of you are hoping the unemployment rate to decrease and economy to rebound. Will there be a new President of the United States? Will there be more natural disasters, global war or a 2012 end-time craze? Will any of us experience declining health or the heart wrenching sorrow of losing a loved one? You see, there are many things for which we cannot possibly plan.

But, there is one sure thing that we can always count. God is faithful. *“Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever” (Hebrews 13:8). “God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear though the earth changes...” (Psalm 46:1-2).* So, in the midst of an uncertain and perhaps unstable future, we can always trust that God’s grace and good plan are at work. He has not left the throne... at least not yet. *“Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!” (Revelation 22:20).*

Love & Prayers,
Pastor Dave

*"How beautiful are the
SENT feet of those
who preach the good
news!" Romans 10:15*

Join us as we partner to
reach the unreached!

SENT



Glen Burnie Baptist Church
Severna Park Baptist Church

Sent to PRAY*

- Feb 12 @ GBBC 6:30pm

*prayer gatherings & fellowship

Sent to GIVE

- Lottie Moon/IMB offering
- SENT offerings in 2012

Sent to GO

- Summer or Fall 2012
- Location: TBD (see handouts)

www.glenburniebaptist.org
7524 Old Stage RD, Glen Burnie MD 21061

www.spbcm.com
506 Benfield RD, Severna Park, MD 21146

S.P.A.N.

At Thanksgiving SPAN provided dinners for 96 families and at Christmas, they provided gifts and/or food to 153 families, consisting of 259 adults and 325 children.

THANK YOU for continuing to bring canned goods and non-perishables. All donations are divided between SPAN and Open Door. A box in the Great Commission Center (stair foyer) for your donations.

SPAN will host a Chik-fil-A® night on Monday, February 20th from 5:30-8:00pm. You can dine in or carry out. (Please note: no drive thru purchases will count).

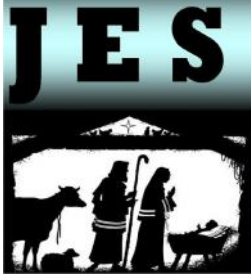
Please remember to put your receipts in the

BLACK BOX

so SPAN will get 20% of the profits!

(The participating Chik-fil-A® is located on Crossroads 8110 Jumpers Hole Road, Pasadena, MD)

A message series
in the
Gospel of Luke



**Join our study of
Luke's Gospel in 2012**

Luke Challenge

Read The Gospel of Luke each month in 2012. There's 24 chapters - a chapter a day!

Reading & Devotional Guide

Available in our sanctuary front Welcome Center

A.A.J. Groups

Create a group to participate in the "Luke Challenge" with you... friends, neighbors, classmates, co-workers, church members

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Join the men of SPBC for a time of fellowship, good food and worship. All ages are welcome!

Contact Jim Benson at 410- 975-9298, for more information.

January 14th

Saturday,
9:00-11:00am

February 18th

Saturday,
9:00-11:00am



- ◆ Do our beliefs matter?
- ◆ Is it enough to say you "believe in God"?
- ◆ Can Christianity exist in a world filled with multiple cultures and belief systems?

The answer to these questions and more can be found through this study on Wednesday nights at 6:30pm. Join us any week as this is an open group study.

Topics Included & More:

Why believe the Bible? What is the Trinity?

Why we do church, baptism and communion?

Salvation End Times Stewardship
Social Ministry Peace/War The Family

i BELIEVE

A Survey of Christian Doctrine

www.spbcm.com

Wednesdays 6:30pm



WEE Words

January found us getting back to the routine of school and learning about winter and how God provides and plans for us to "enjoy" the cold. Lots of snow activities were happening everywhere in school but not much in the real world. The Twos have been learning about special people who help us like doctors, nurses, teachers, baby sitters and even grandparents! The Threes are learning about good foods and healthy bodies. They will have their own WEE Supermarket at the end of their unit. The Fours are enjoying one of their favorite units of study, Friends Around the World. They learn how we are alike and different and God loves us all! They will enjoy food, music, games and dances from all the countries that they visit. The two highlights of this unit are the Luau and World's Fair. Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world!

We have had visitors to observe our classes as we prepare for Registration on January 25th for current and church families; we will welcome former families to register on Friday, January 27th. Registration will be held online this year for the first time. Thanks so much to Danielle Brown for preparing us to go on board and update our process. Wednesday, February 1st, registration will open to the community at 10:00 AM. This will be walk-in registration so that we can meet these new families and assist them in joining the WEE Center families. Please pray for us as we seek God's will in this ministry. We will be offering the same classes as our current year but are open to adding afternoon classes if the demand is there. We can't believe that we already have five months behind us. Many special events are forthcoming and we will need help with some of them. Pray about your involvement in this ministry.

With a grateful heart, Judy Myer

WEE Center Email: WEE@spbcmd.com

WEE Center Phone: 410-647-0765



Vacation Bible School 2012 Expo!

Amazing things will happen as kids encounter God like never before—all against the backdrop of some of the world's most marvelous natural wonders!

The **2012 VBS Expo** will take place on **Saturday, February 25th, at 9:30 am @ The Church at Severn Run**. You will need to **RSVP NLT February 15th** if you are planning on attending! There is a sign-up sheet in the Great Commission Center (side-foyer). We need an accurate head count in order to register! Thank you!

ALSO NOTE: There will also be an **SPBC VBS Workers meeting on February 28th at 7:00pm.**

For more information, please see Pastor Zach or Kathy Swartz.



A Luncheon For Our Church Family Who Are... "Young at Heart & Wise In Years"

You are invited to join us for a meal, fellowship and encouraging words from Pastor Brown and maybe a game or two...

It will be a fun day out!

When: Monday, February 13, 2012

Where: SPBC Fellowship Hall

Time: 12:30pm

RSVP: Please call the church office to let us know you are planning on attending—410-647-0765. We would love to hear from you by Monday, February 6, 2012.

If you need assistance with transportation, please let us be of help!

If you have questions, please call:
Becky Chambless: 410-757-9107; Jan Cline: 410-987-7528; or Tracy Stroh: 410-987-2578.

Sunday School Groups

We have a class for everyone.
Come connect and grow with us!

Nursery:

Lois Zenone &
Need Volunteer!

Toddler:

Stephanie Villafuerte &
Katelynn Furlough

Children I & II:

Kathy Swartz &
Diana Shaffer

Youth:

Pastor Zach, Tony Bell
& Kera Day

Adult I Co-Ed

(20-35):

Dave Brown &
Sam Morgan

Adult II Co-Ed (36-45):

Ed Takemori

Adult III Co-Ed (45-64):

Ron Chambless

Adult IV Co-Ed (65+):

Bob Fulton & Jim Cline



GENERATION next



*Student Ministry of
Severna Park Baptist Church*

YM Sweetheart Banquet Fundraiser

Saturday, February 11th @ 5:00pm

**MORE DETAILED INFORMATION
WILL SOON FOLLOW.**

SIGN UP

In Stair Foyer, Welcome Center or
Contact Church Office For Dinner &
Childcare (list ages). You can sign up
now, so we can begin to get a head
count.

UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS:

Sat., January 21—Youth bowling outing

***Sat., February 18—Youth laser tag
outing***

**Contact Pastor Zach for
more information:
zvillafuerte@gmail.com
or 240-988-2550**

TOP 10 Reasons To Bring Your Children To Sunday Bible Groups

10. Greater likelihood to be on time for worship...it can happen!
9. You will encourage church teachers & leaders who take time to plan and organize spiritual growth opportunities.
8. You get a break and are able to enjoy focused time with other adults in your own Bible Group.
7. Your child gets a break from you, the television, video games and is doing something constructive.
6. Your child gets Biblical teaching on their age-level.
5. Your child gets to be positively influenced by friends.
4. Your child gets to positively influence friends.
3. Your child gets to have a spiritual mentor & role model from dedicated adult teachers.
2. Your child learns what is important to you as a Christian and as a parent.
1. Your child has the opportunity that countless others do not in learning the Bible to know Jesus Christ in a personal way.



TEEN TIMES

Wednesdays:

Youth Group
6-8pm
Bring a friend!

Sundays:

Bible Study
9:30-10:30am
Grow in Jesus!

Congratulations & Best Wishes!

January Birthdays

Aaron Culotta-1/7
John Mowry-1/8
Jason Kishiyama-1/10
Matthew Boback-1/11
Diana Shaffer-1/11
Samuel Morgan-1/11
Christine Baierlein-1/12
Jackie Cline-1/14
Jessica Mulju-1/18
Joyce Jackson-1/20

Ann King-1/20
Michael Hare, Jr-1/21
Glenda Provine-1/21
Peg Winner-1/21
Sharon Benson-1/23
Mark Boback-1/24
Wanda Murray-1/24
George Kirby-1/27
Virgal Brewster-1/30
Cameron Wyvill-1/30
(Crockett)

February Birthdays

Margaret Fulton-2/2
Katie Amend-2/4
Debbie Harrington-2/4
April Montagne-2/6
Jennifer Brewster-2/8
Dave Brown-2/10
Brady Amend-2/10
Fred Delp-2/14
Gary Huebner-2/26

Michael Hare, Sr-2/6
Steve Prettyman-2/17
Curtis Fox-2/17
Jeanne Thompson-2/22
Bonnie Kirby-2/22
Casey Swartz-2/23
Janet Blume-2/23
Mary Lou Duke-2/26

January Anniversaries

Virgal & Imogene Brewster- 1/21

February Anniversaries

Ron & Becky Chanmbless-2/6
Scott & Angie Murphy-2/14
Sam & Stella Culotta-2/14
Pam & Dan Hinton-2/14
Richard & Mary Lou Duke-2/17

If you don't see your name (or family members' names) listed under Birthdays or Anniversaries, it is because we don't have that information on file. Contact the Church Office to submit dates! Thank you!



YOU ARE INVITED...

MEANINGFUL MEMBERSHIP ORIENTATION

Sunday, February 19 & 26, 9:30 – 10:30am (during regular Bible Groups)

Believing in Jesus and belonging to a local church is not an insignificant matter. In fact, they both are of extreme importance. Knowing and loving Jesus Christ as Savior from sin and Lord of life is an amazing journey of faith. However, it is best lived out in **community** with others who can love and support each other. SPBC would like to be your church home, would you consider becoming a meaningful member?

This orientation is for you if...

- You are considering becoming a member at SPBC (required for prospective members).
- You have questions about the Christian faith and/or how to connect to our church fellowship.
- You're already a member but have not participated & affirmed our meaningful membership covenant.
- You cannot stay away from the smell of fresh blueberry muffins.

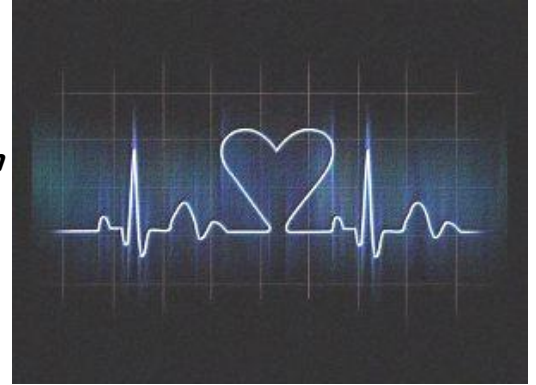
Please sign up in the stairway foyer or contact the church office to rsvp
office@spbcmd.com or 410-647-0765

“LOVE ONE ANOTHER

“Dear children, let us not love with words or tongue but with actions and in truth.” 1 John 3:18

“Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God.” 1 John 4:7

“You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself.” Luke 10:27



Through the month of February, we encourage our SPBC family to express love for God and each other in tangible ways. Below are some ideas, but there is no limit to communicating and sharing God’s love with others.

SOUPER Bowl Sundays: The **Souperbowl** is not just one Sunday; *it’s every Sunday in February!* Bring canned soup or other non-perishable items to be donated to help those in need. All food donations will go to our partner ministries of SPAN (Serving People Across Neighborhoods / Severna Park) and ODB (Open Door Baltimore). By the way, did you know that we support these ministries financially of \$100/month in addition to volunteers? Your tithes and offerings help us reach out as the hands and feet of Jesus across our communities!

LOVE A TEACHER: Many teachers pour their heart and time into others through their gift of teaching. It may be your Sunday School teacher, your child or grandchild’s school teacher... consider sending them a note of encouragement and thanks.

LOVE A NEIGHBOR: God gives each of us opportunities to be a light of help and hope to others. So, “As you go...” (Matthew 28:18-20), spread God’s love in both word and deed. Remember, a neighbor is not just someone you know but anyone you come into contact with each day (Luke 10:29-37).

Can you rock...hug...read...color? Then we have a place for you!

There are a number of spaces that need to be filled in our preschool ministry.

In Sunday School, we need a co-teacher with Lois Zenone for the nursery class. The job requirements are simple, all you need to have is a lap to sit on and a love of Jesus that you want to share with the littlest ones.

During church, we have a number of places that need to be filled:

- ◆ For infants, we need 2 helpers on the 1st Sunday and 1 helper on the 5th Sunday.
- ◆ For the toddlers, we need a helper on the 2nd and 3rd Sundays.
- ◆ And we do need at least 3 more volunteers to be substitutes.

A huge thank you to everyone who already helps, and thank you in advance to new volunteers!

We appreciate your willingness to help in the pre-school ministry as we work together to Grow Godly Generations.

Deuteronomy 6:6-9 *And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.*



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Church Calendar for January - February 2012

Sundays:

9:00am - Intercessory Prayer
9:30am - Sunday School (all age groups)
10:45am - Worship Celebration (all ages)
12:00am - After Worship Fellowship (everyone invited)

Other Events/Activities - January 2012

Tuesday, January 2 - Church Office Closed
Wednesdays, January 4,11,18,25 - 6:00-8:00pm - Youth Group
Wednesdays, January 4,11,18,25 - 6:00-7:30pm - Team-KID (K-5th Grade)
Wednesdays, January 4,11,18,25 - 6:30-7:30pm - Mid-Week Service - "i BELIEVE"
Sunday, January 8 - 12:00pm - Church Council Meeting
Tuesday, January 10 - 7:00pm - Deacons' Meeting
Saturday, January 14 - 9:00-11:00am - Men's Breakfast
Monday, January 16 - WEE Closed/AA Cty Schools Closed
Monday-Tuesday, January 23-24 - WEE Closed/AA Cty Schools Closed
Saturday, January 21 - Youth Bowling Outing
Tuesday, January 24 - 7:00pm - Constitution & Bylaw Committee Meeting
Wednesday, January 25 - WEE Registration OPENS UP ONLINE for Current and Church Families
Friday, January 27 - WEE Registration OPENS UP ONLINE for Former Families
Saturday, January 28 - 9:00am-4:00pm - WEE CPR Training
Saturday, January 28 - 2:00-3:00pm - Paxton Baby Shower @ Swartz' Home

Wednesdays:

6:00-8:00pm - Youth Group
6:00-7:30pm - Team KID (K-5th Grade)
6:30-7:30pm - Mid-Week Service
7:30-8:00pm - Worship Team Practice

Other Events/Activities - February 2012

Wednesday-Thursday, February 1-2 - 10:00am-12:00pm - WEE Registration for Community—Walk-In
Wednesdays, February 1,8,15,22,29 - 6:00-8:00pm - Youth Group
Wednesdays, February 1,8,15,22,29 - 6:00-7:30pm - TeamKID (K-5th Grade)
Wednesdays, February 1,8,15,22,29 - 6:30-7:30pm - Mid-Week Service - "i BELIEVE"
Sunday, February 5 - 12:00 Noon - Church Council Meeting
Saturday, February 11 - 5:00pm - YM Sweetheart Banquet
Sunday, February 12 - 6:30-8:30pm - "SENT" Meeting @ GBBC
Monday, February 13 - 12:30-2:30pm - Senior Adult Luncheon @ SPBC
*Monday, February 13 - 7:00pm - Deacons' Meeting
Tuesday, February 14 - Happy Valentine's Day! John 3:16!
Saturday, February 18 - 9:00-11:00am - Men's Breakfast
Saturday, February 18 - Youth Laser Tag Outing
Monday, February 20 - WEE Closed/AA Cty Schools Closed
Saturday, February 25 - 9:30am - VBS Expo @ Church at Severn Run
Monday, February 27 - 7:00-9:00pm - WEE Staff Meeting
Wednesday, February 29 - Happy Leap Year!

***PLEASE NOTE:** Deacons are meeting on Monday this month!!

Quarterly Business Meeting—Second Sunday of each quarter

Please check the Church Bulletin and Website for updates.

If you have an idea for an article or submission, please contact the Church Office. The deadline for the March-April issue of the "Informer" is NLT FRIDAY, February 10, 2012. The Informer is published bi-monthly and is also available on our website.

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