

HAND'S & FEET

Official Newsletter of Salisbury First Baptist Church



The Deceitfulness of Sin

'But encourage one another daily, as long as it is called "Today," so that none of you may be hardened by sin's deceitfulness.' Hebrews 3:13

What happens when you tolerate sin in your life? Faster than you might imagine, you begin to lose sight of God's sovereign power and glory. Scripture repeatedly warns that the human heart is prone to self-deception, rationalization, and spiritual blindness. Without the light of God's truth, we can excuse wrongdoing and gradually lose the ability to discern right from wrong.

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Special This Month

- 6/7 Observance of Lord's Supper
- 6/7 CBA Mission Trip Meeting
- 6/7 Deacons Meeting 7:30 pm
- 6/14 All Church Appreciation Lunch to honor Dr. Bret & Sandy
- 6/20 Respite 2:30 pm - 6:00 pm
- 6/21 Father's Day
- 6/21 Child Dedication
- 6/27 CBA Men's Conference

Weekly Schedule

Sunday:

Sunday School 9:30 am

Worship 10:30 am

2nd Sunday Men's Prayer Time

7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Thursday:

Women's Bible Study 9:30 am

Youth Group 7:00 pm

The Deceitfulness of Sin (continued)

Hebrews 3:13 warns believers not to be “hardened by sin’s deceitfulness.” Sin rarely appears as open rebellion against God. Instead, it disguises itself as harmless, reasonable, or even desirable. What begins as a small compromise can slowly harden the heart and dull spiritual sensitivity.

The Bible also warns of a seared conscience. In 1 Timothy 4:1–2, Paul describes those whose consciences have been “seared as with a hot iron.” Our conscience is meant to alert us when we stray from God’s will, but persistent disobedience can silence that warning system until conviction fades. Jesus addressed this blindness in Matthew 6:23: “If the light within you is darkness, how great is that darkness!” When people desire the things of the world more than the will of God, their spiritual vision becomes corrupted. Sin blinds us to our true condition

Pride deepens the problem. Proverbs 16:2 says, “All a person’s ways seem pure to them, but motives are weighed by the Lord.” We naturally justify ourselves while easily recognizing faults in others.

Thankfully, scripture offers hope. God’s Word exposes the true condition of the heart and brings the knowledge of sin (Romans 3:20). Through the mercy revealed in the cross of Christ, you can be freed from sin’s power and transformed into His loving and righteous character. As your love abounds “more and more in knowledge and depth of insight,” Paul prays in Philippians 1:9–10 that you “may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ.” You will develop true spiritual discernment as you persistently walk in God’s love and truth and keep short accounts with sin.

Dr. Bret Barrier



Q: How does Moses make his morning coffee?

A: He brews it!

Thank you!



Our church family is deeply grateful for Dr. Bret and the faithful, Spirit-led preaching he has poured into our congregation. Week after week, he brings the Word with clarity, conviction, and compassion, pointing us toward Christ and encouraging us to grow in faith. His dedication has been a blessing to all of us.

We also want to honor Bret and Sandy for the love they have shown as they have become such an important part of our church family. Their willingness to serve, their kindness, and the many sacrifices they make behind the scenes reflect a genuine heart for ministry and for God's people. We are thankful for the way they have stepped in, lifted us up, and walked alongside us with grace.

As a church, we want to express our appreciation in a special way. We will be hosting an all-church appreciation lunch on June 14th following worship. Everyone is invited to join us as we celebrate Bret and Sandy and the gift they are to our congregation.

Please bring a side dish or dessert to share.

Let's come together in love, gratitude, and fellowship as we honor two people who have blessed us so richly.

Special Events in June



Salisbury First Baptist

CHILD DEDICATION

Join us in a time of blessing as families dedicate their children to the LORD

With Pastor Mike Flynn

Sunday June 21st, 2026

at 10:30 am

More information or to register your child:
executiveassistant@fbcsalisbury.com or 417-669-9710



Child Dedication

Our church family will gather on Sunday, June 21st, 2026, for a meaningful time of celebration as we dedicate children to the Lord. Child Dedication is a cherished moment when parents commit to raising their children in faith, and our congregation promises to support, encourage, and pray for them along the way. It is a beautiful reminder of the shared responsibility we hold as a church community.

The dedication service will take place during the 10:30 a.m. worship gathering with Pastor Mike Flynn.

Families wishing to participate in the dedication may contact the church office at executiveassistant@fbcsalisbury.com or call or text 417-669-9710.

We look forward to honoring these precious families.

We are invited to a Family BBQ 6 – 9 p.m. at Coyote Hill Foster Care Ministries Foster Care Community -9501 W. Coyote Hill Road, Harrisburg, MO 65256
What to Expect: Dinner, Hay Rides, Pony Rides, Home Tour, Games, Fireworks Show, and MORE! RSVP at the website below.



★ COYOTE HILL ★ FAMILY BBQ

CELEBRATING 35 YEARS OF MINISTRY

SATURDAY, JUNE 27TH, 2026

<https://coyotehill.org/family-bbq/>

MOBERLY MEN'S CONFERENCE

Unashamed

MY STORY - HIS GLORY



TREVOR SUDHEIMER



BRANDON SMITH



TRAVIS BOYT

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
MOBERLY, MO
SATURDAY, JUNE 27, 2026
8:00 AM - 3:00 PM

\$25
REGISTER
TODAY



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Camp Opportunities & Love Packages

If your child is interested in going to camp, please let Melissa know. If you would like to go as a leader to any of the camps, we would love to have you! The church pays half of the camp fees. If you have any questions please feel free to reach out.

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**GRAND OAKS
CAMP DATES 2026**



CHILDREN'S CAMP: JUNE 29-JULY 3 (COMPLETED GRADES 3-6)

STAY TUNED FOR MORE SPECIFIC CAMP DETAILS!

ENCOUNTER YOUTH CAMP

**7TH - 12TH
GRADES
COMPLETED**

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JULY 14-18, 2026
ENCOUNTER COVE,
ROACH MO
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Please let Cloe Billington know if your youth is interested in attending
Early Bird \$475
(\$505 after deadline)



For more details, visit:
<https://encounterministry.org/eycamps>

Love Packages



It's time to collect all our used and unused Christian literature to donate to Love Packages in Illinois. Love Packages is collecting any new or used Sunday School literature, Bibles, Christian books, study literature, etc., to pack on ship containers for countries who welcome these supplies and resources.

John and Carol Ratliff will be packing up and making sure these items go to Butler early in July, so let them know if you are contributing this time. Or place these items in the foyer between the sanctuary and old Fellowship Hall.

You can see videos and find information on the Love Packages website at: lovepackages.org

The cost for shipping containers is very expensive, so they always need monetary donations, too, at Love Packages, 220 Union St., Butler, IL 62015.

Love Packages testimonies:

Costa Rica: I greet you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ with a heart full of gratitude for your generous donation of Bibles. Your gift has been a true answer to our prayers, providing much-needed spiritual nourishment to those who hunger for God's Word. The Bibles have been distributed among police officers, schools, the Mujer Rehab institution, and indigenous communities across Costa Rica.

Ghana: Below is a thanksgiving from Professor Emeritus Edwin N. Korley. After gifting the books from Love Packages to Theologies International Seminary, something happened at our warehouse. All of a sudden, I saw tears flowing from Prof. Korley's face uncontrollably. He had not been expecting so many cartons of Books and Bibles for his graduates. Then tears started flowing from my eyes, too. We were praising God with our tears.

South Africa: Today 120 students graduated from a 3-year Bible study program at Westville correctional institution. All of the study materials were provided by Love Packages. Thank you.

Guatemala: Good morning! The Guatemala container has been delivered and I am here this week doing distribution. I will be bringing material to over 400 seminary students and pastors. Also, multiple Bibles will be delivered to a ministry working in the rural areas of western highlands of Guatemala. Also, 400 boxes of John and Romans and 100 boxes of tracts will be delivered to a large ministry team that does huge evangelism crusades throughout the country. They love the booklets and the tracts. Thank you for your partnership!

Your monetary gift can be sent to: Love Packages, 220 Union St., Butler, IL 62015

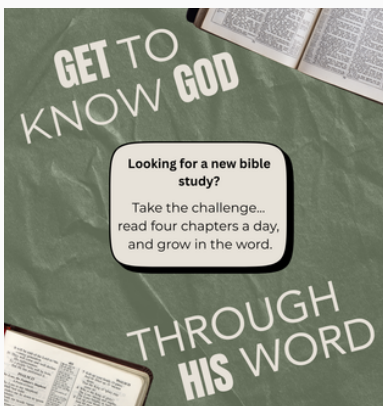
Need a good Book?



Recommended Reading from Pastor Cal:

Greetings church! I'm enjoying some sabbatical time of rest and reading. I thought it would be helpful for me to send a few recommended reads for those of you who do summer reading. These books will help you grow in your faith and point you to God in the scriptures. And most importantly, spend time in your Bible. See you soon!

1. The Imperfect Disciple by Jared C. Wilson
2. Prodigal Prophet by Tim Keller
3. The Way of Repentance by Chris Brauns
4. Promises Made and Promises Kept (2 Books) by Mark Dever
5. Gospel Treason by Brad Bigney
6. The Redeemed Man edited by Joel Beeke
7. Discipling by Mark Dever
8. Knowing the Spirit by Costi Hinn
9. Do More Better by Tim Challies
10. Here I Stand: A Life of Martin Luther by Roland Bainton
11. Just Do Something by Kevin DeYoung
12. Deep Discipleship by J.T. English
13. Waiting Isn't A Waste by Mark Vroegop
14. Raised in Splendor by Jason Alligood
15. How to Read a Book: Advice for Christian Readers by Andrew Naselli



Under the Fig Tree...

Check out our Church Library. There you can find inspiring stories, bible studies, children's books and much more. See Elda Carothers or Karla Britt for more information.



Pray for VBS



Hello everyone!

With time quickly approaching for VBS and the waiting period over, I want to make sure that everyone has some highlights of what to expect over this fantastic week of Illumination Station, where we will highlight our faith with loads of fun!

Dates for VBS: July 20, 2026, to July 24, 2026

Registration starts at 8:30 AM, and we will dismiss at 12:00 PM

Grades: Pre K (Age 3, must be independent of being potty trained) to 6th grade.

*Younger Adult Youth: If you're looking for service hours throughout the week or if you're just looking to volunteer for one or two days, your assistance would be greatly appreciated! I will be reaching out to the school to see if I can sign off on NHS hours for you all!

There is no limit to the number of volunteers, so please come join us!

If you want to support VBS but can't make it to VBS, please consider donating snacks. About two weeks before the week of VBS, I'll send out a list of snacks if you're interested in helping out.

If you have any questions or would like to help out, please reach out to me:

ggebhardt30@gmail.com or 660-414-0406



Blessings,
Grace Gebhardt



2026 VBS Prayer Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Pray for VBS director and all leaders involved with the preparation and planning of VBS	2 Pray that kids and adults will desire to have the light of life rather than walk in darkness. John 8:12*	3 Ask God to protect our church's VBS, leaders, and everyone who will attend	4 Pray that VBS participants will have ears to hear God's Word and hearts to understand it as truth. Luke 24:45	5 Thank God for His gift of eternal life and for the children who will receive that gift at VBS. Ephesians 2:8	6 Pray that leaders will be able to use their time wisely in planning, studying, and preparing for their different roles in VBS.	7 Ask for Physical safety and energy for recreation leaders during the week.
8 Pray that participants will understand and believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the promised Son of God. Matthew 16:16	9 Pray for the Bible study leaders to communicate God's love effectively to the children they teach. 1 John 4:19	10 Pray that kids will share the biblical truths they learn at VBS with the people in their homes.	11 Pray that kids of all ages will have fun as they learn about the promised, perfect, powerful, and proven Son of God.	12 Pray that kids can see the love of Jesus through the leaders and adults of VBS. John 13:35	13 Pray for students and adults who will be attending VBS. Ask God to open their hearts and to hear His Word.	14 Pray for participants with special needs to be included, loved, and accepted at VBS.
15 Pray for missions leaders. Ask God to give them a heart and passion for the missionary families they will teach about.	16 Pray that kids will feel comfortable asking their leaders questions about salvation.	17 Thank God for the creativity and passion of those leading crafts. Pray for patience and compassion for them	18 Pray for the participants to see Jesus as more than just a good man, but as the perfect Son of God.	19 Pray for kids to have genuine encounters with Jesus at VBS and to have boldness to make spiritual decisions.	20 Ask God to help everyone serving in VBS to do everything with kindness and love. 1 Corinthians 16:14	21 Pray that participants will understand that everything Jesus said and did showed that He is the powerful Son of God. Matthew 28:18
22 Ask God to give energy and stamina to leaders who will guide kids to worship Him through music and drama.	23 Pray a blessing on all the snacks that will be prepared for the VBS workers who will prepare them.	24 Pray that VBS Celebration provides a witnessing opportunity with parents and the community	25 Ask God to give strength to the leaders when they are weary and power when they are weak. Isaiah 40:29	26 Pray that serving together in VBS will strengthen existing relationships among church members and create new ones as well.	27 Ask God to help participants understand that Jesus lived, died, and rose to life to be our Saviour. Mark 15:39	28 Pray for kids to be welcoming and accepting of participants who are new to your church.
29 Pray that everyone involved in VBS will continue to grow in their relationships with Him.	30 Pray for boys and girls to understand that Jesus is God's plan for forgiveness. Acts 2:38	31 Pray for unchurched guests to begin attending a worship service or Bible Study after VBS.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Please note that scripture marked with an astrick come directly from the Bible passages we will be sharing with kids during VBS week. VBS week is July 20th - July 24th, please use this calendar for the months leading up to that week! 			



Connect

Respite Night Out for Foster Families

Saturday June 20th 2:30 pm - 6:00 pm

Children arrive at 3 pm

Volunteers Needed

Partnering with
Coyote Hill
Foster Care Ministries

- Helpers needed in each age group
 - Games
 - Crafts
 - Cooking & Serving Supper
 - Bible
- Let Melissa know if you can help**



PRAYER NEEDS >>>

- Pray for Pastor Cal & Bethany as they prepare to move to Salisbury
- Pray for the families that will be participating in the Child Dedication. That they would raise their children in truth and righteousness.
- Pray for the men in our church as they lead their families and in the church Pray they remain faithful to Christ.



PASTOR CAL CALLISON

Good day church! I thought it might be beneficial to put together a little informal "get to know me" page with some trivial info about my likes and dislikes so you can get to know me a little bit more as we lead up to our big move to town. See the QR Code for more information.

In His Grip,
Pastor Cal



SALISBURY FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH 2026 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

ILLUMINATION Station

WHEN: JULY 20TH - 24TH

TIME: (REGISTRATION STARTS AT 8:30) 9-12

CONTACT GRACE GEBHARDT (660-414-0406) FOR ANY QUESTIONS!

DON'T MISS A THING

SIGN UP FOR OUR MID-WEEK UPDATE



Email Melissa at
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with your name, phone and email address



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