

TODAY: September 29

8:30a—Elder & Deacon Prayer Time
8:45a—Prayer Time (all ages)
12:10p Good News Club Informational Meeting in the Auditorium / E100
4:30p—Drama Team Practice
Following our PM service, please join us in setting up the auditorium for our *How to Disciple and Counsel from Scripture* Conference. Thank you.

THE WEEK

•Tues. Oct. 1—11:30a J.O.Y. Group
Potluck Lunch—Program: Kent & Carole Canoy will be giving their testimony—and Financial Team Presentation with Q & A regarding our *Continuing in Faithfulness* Building Campaign
•Thurs. Oct. 1—6:30p Women’s Ministries Leadership Meeting / N126
•Thurs. Oct. 3—9:30a Pastor’s Fellowship Meeting at Kuna Baptist
•Fri. & Sat. October 4-5 *How to Disciple and Counsel from Scripture* conference at the church

[weekly activities listed on the back of bulletin]



•Oct. 6—Guest Pastor Rick Elzinga from SW Hills Bible Church
•Oct. 12—9:00a—3:00p Fall Bible Conference with Friends of Israel—Cost: \$12 / Lunch included—Register online: foi.org/prophecy
•Oct. 13—Missionary Paul Pierce will be speaking during our AM Service and Combined Adult Sunday School classes
•Oct. 13—Constitution Q & A during our PM service
•Oct. 20—12:15p Children’s SS Teacher’s Meeting in Room N126/ Lunch provided
•Oct. 24—6:00-9:00p Trunk or Treat Meridian Community Event
•Oct. 27—Guest Tim Sigler will be giving a Ministry Report in our AM Service and Combined Adult Sunday School classes
•Nov. 1—2 *How to Disciple and Counsel from Scripture* conference at the church
•Nov. 10—5:00p Annual Ingathering Banquet—and *Continuing in Faithfulness* Building Campaign Offering
•Dec. 30—Jan. 1— Teen Leadership Conference (TLC) our youth are accepting donations for work projects you may have for them to do now in order to help pay for the conference expenses.



Ministry Assignments

September 29:

Greeters: Darrel & Lois (F)
Tom & Glenda (B)
Ushers: Jason / Donn / Carl / Alan
Nursery:

- AM: Brian & Mary Ann
- SS: Marietta / Gloria
- PM: Joanna

Children’s Church: Kara (Teacher)
Ilyana / Colette (Helpers)

Junior Church: Viktor & Inna

PM Children’s Ministries: Judy

Sound Booth: Audio: Alex (AM & PM)

Video: Anna (AM & PM)

Safety Team: Dan (AM) Ray (PM)

October 6:

Greeters: (F) (B)

Ushers: Lloyd / Jason / Thane / Vio
Nursery:

- AM: Kathy / Rosy
- SS: Jeremy & Hillary
- PM: John & Erin

Children’s Church: Christy (Teacher)
Anna / Yakov (Helpers)

Junior Church: Zack & Kim

PM Children’s Ministries: Sue & Heather

Sound Booth: Audio: Jonathon (AM & PM)

Video: Garrett (AM) Scott L. (PM)

Safety Team: Mark (AM) Elaine (PM)

Theology Exams for MFBC Elders

October 19: Pastor Dave Duron

October 26: Jim Berg

November 30: Scott Schimanski



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MERIDIAN FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

September 29, 2019

9:30 AM Service

Pianist: Michelle
Song Leader: Benji

Welcome/Announcements

Hymn #368—*Speak, O Lord*
Song—I John 1:5-7

Hymn #147—*I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say*
Greetings

Prayer & Offering: Pastor Dave
•Welcome Guests

•Special Music: Jennifer

Hymn #371—*O Word of God Incarnate*
[Dismiss Children]

Scripture Reading: Garrett

Message: “I have come as Light into the world”

Text: John 12:44-50 Pastor Randy
Closing

6:00 PM Service

Pianist: Michelle
Song Leader: Brent

Hymn #98—*My Worth is Not in What I Own*
Hymn #184—*Come, Behold the Wondrous Mystery*

Hymn #405—*Not in Me*
Special Music: Lina

Message: Kelly S.



For ages 2—5 years old during our PM Service



James & Melissa Fife

ABWE Missionaries
Togo West Africa

Tentative Ministry Schedule 2019-2020

- 10/11 to 10/14/19 — Salem OR
- 10/16 to 10/30/19 — Greater Love Baptist Church / Trinity Ministries, Seymour/Found Du Lac WI
- 10/31 to 11/5/19 — San Francisco CA
- 2/2 to 2/16/20 — Our annual Missions Conference ID
- 2/23 to 3/8/20 — NW Washington Missions Conference

WEEK: September 22, 2019
General Fund: \$6,732.72
Special Offering: \$714.00
Deposit: \$7,446.72
MONTH: SEPTEMBER
General Fund: \$38,282.95
Special Offerings: \$10,760.00
Deposits: \$49,042.95

Gleanings from our Seasons

And God said, “Let there be lights in the expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night. And let them be for signs and for seasons, and for days and years,” Genesis 1:1

In 1966, the United States Congress established a permanent day of the year to honor Bible translation. It is called, appropriately, **World Bible Translation Day**, and it occurs on September 30 each year. Not only has this special day existed for over 50 years, but it will exist as long as our country does, because the law states that no U.S. president can discontinue a special day established by Congress.

Now, who but Christians who have been blessed to have the Bible translated into their language would be better suited to promote the commemoration of such a day? *Bibles International* exists to provide God’s Word to millions in the world who still have no Scripture in their languages. It is our desire to raise Christians’ awareness of this great need, and we feel that urging churches across the country to commemorate **World Bible Translation Day** is one way to do that. Indeed, what would any of our churches be if we were without the absolute truth of the Word of God?

Bibles International is encouraging churches to begin an intentional practice of observing **World Bible Translation Day** on whichever Sunday falls closest to September 30. What a wonderful tribute to our God if churches all over the United States chose to honor His Word as well as those who have given so much, even their very lives, for the sake of translating it.

Article adapted from *Bibles International Briefings* August 2019 Volume 33 issue 2

Facts to consider:

At least 1.5 billion people do not have the full Bible available in their first language. Over 700 million of these have the New Testament; others have portions or at least some level of translation or preparatory work begun.

There is known active translation and/or linguistic development happening in 2,659 languages across more than 170 countries.

Because of improved accuracy in collecting information from around the world about Bible translation needs, and other factors, the number of estimated translation needs worldwide has increased. As of 1 October 2018, over 180 million people, using 1,879 spoken languages and 284 sign languages, are likely to need some form of Bible translation to begin. (Wycliffe)



Complete Bible: 683
+ New Testament: 1534 (or more)
+ Selections & stories: 1133
= 3350 Languages with some scripture

wycliffe.net/statistics Oct 2018

“Oh how I love your law! It is my meditation all the day” (Psalm 119:97).