



NEWSLETTER

Tanglewood Bible Fellowship

January 2020

The Mission of TBF is to glorify God (Psalm 86:11-13; 115:1 and 1 Peter 2:12; 4:16) by actively participating in the ongoing fulfillment of the Great Commission (Matthew 28:19-20) as a body of believers (1 Cor 12:13; 1 John 5:1-5) who collectively/individually (Phil 1:27) serve our Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ (Rom 12:1-2) and one another (Phil 2:3-4) functioning as a spiritual Greenhouse (Eph 4:11-16) such that by our interactions together we are catalyzed to grow (Acts 2:42) and to reproduce (Acts 2:47) spiritually

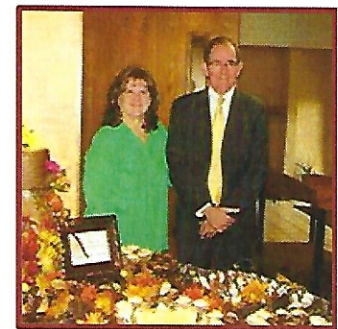
The Beginning of A New TBF Era by Wendy Powers, EIC

With the close of 2019, TBF said its farewells to the McCoy family who served this church faithfully for 31 years. They will be greatly missed. We saw the retirement of Maxine Blystone as church secretary who also faithfully served our Lord well up into her mid 90's and the retirement of yet another faithful servant Ginny Heath as Editor in Chief of the TBF Newsletter for the past 11+ years. These shoes will be hard to fill BUT...God has great things in store for TBF in 2020 and in the years to come. He is not finished with us yet.

As we look forward into 2020, let us continue to prayerfully consider the pastor search committee and the leadership of our church.

Carol Wanzor has graciously stepped up to take over the task of producing the weekly TBF bulletins. If you have any submissions, please contact her. Email carol.wanzor@live.com or text 580.467.8133.

I have to admit taking over the TBF newsletter is a bit daunting. I am both humbled and in awe of all the work Ginny Heath has put into the past TBF newsletters. Thank you, Ginny! Please feel free to contact me with any newsletter additions or announcements. Anyone wishing to contribute can send an email to powers5rus@aol.com or text at 580.736.4997. Thanks.



Snap Shot: Bible Studies and Events:

January 9th & 23rd – Men's PM Bible Study "Heaven" at TBF 6:30 PM
January 12th – Pot Luck lunch immediately following church services
January 13th – MOPS at FUMC 9:30 – 11:30 AM
January 16th & 28th – Women's PM Bible Study "we over me" at TBF 6 PM
January 14th – Kindred Community Dinner at Stephens County Fairgrounds 6:00 – 8:00 PM
January 29th – WOW. Dinner at 5:45 PM

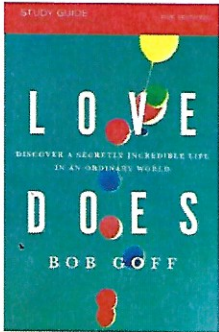
Sunday 1st Hour Teaching Time: 9:30 AM

Sunday 2nd Hour Adult Class: In Pastor's Office New Series: Love Does by Bob Goff

Sunday 2nd Hour: Prayer and Share

Wednesday P.M. Services: 7:05 -8:05 PM

Growing Spiritually at TBF



LOVE DOES BY BOB GOFF

5 Week DVD Series

Sunday 2ND Hour Adult Class – Starting in January

In *Love Does*, Goff shares remarkable stories from his life and shows how living and loving to the fullest is the best way to make Jesus known in this world. Whether you've travelled to meet dozens of world leaders with your kids, and started a school in Uganda like Goff, or are simply seeking a new perspective on the Christian life, you'll learn that love is a verb, not just a feeling. Goff's insights and joyful reflections will help you discover what it means to live as Howard Thurman intended when he said, "Don't ask what the world needs. Ask what makes you come alive, and go do it. Because what the world needs are people who have come alive."

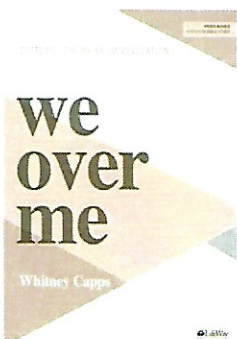
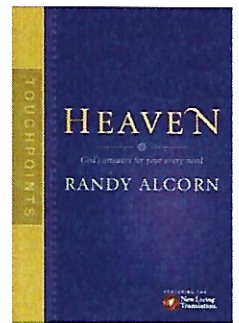
HEAVEN BY RANDY ALCORN

7 Week DVD Series

Men's PM Bible Study 6:30 PM at TBF

Every other Thursday, Starting January 9th

As the years pass and we watch more and more of our family, friends and mentors pass away, it is only natural to ask questions about heaven. However, our understanding of heaven is often limited to a few half-forgotten Sunday school lessons and the insubstantial images provided by popular movies and T.V. Fortunately, in *Heaven* Randy Alcorn provides us with a thoroughly researched and biblically definitive description of heaven. Readers will develop a deeper understanding of our eternal destination and find the courage to strive for heaven while living on earth.



we over me By Whitney Capps

Women's Spring Bible Study Time 6 PM at TBF

9 Week DVD Series

Starting Thursday, January 16th

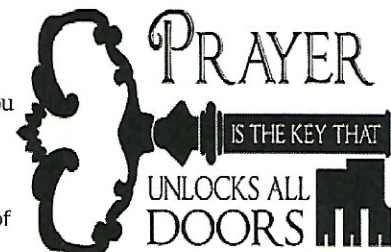
It's easy to get frustrated with the local church—we see the people in the pews up close, both their beauty and blemishes. But God has a purpose and a plan that He uniquely accomplishes in and through the church, and He wants you to be part of it.

In the opening 3 chapters of Revelation, we find a wake-up call directed toward 7 churches and discover the truth of God's desire for the church. Over 9 sessions, challenge your perspective and embrace your part in helping the church fulfill its calling.

Prayer and Share Time – Sunday 2nd Hour

One thing that makes TBF different from other churches is our genuine love and prayer for one another. Join us in the 2nd hour after the morning service and learn what's going on in the lives of others -- how you can pray for them, minister to them, and love on them. Also, we would love to hear from you -- what's going on in your life and how can we minister to you and pray for you.

1 Timothy 2:1 - I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, [and] giving of thanks, be made for all men.



TBF Ministries and Opportunities



All Church Potluck Fellowship Meal

January 12, 2020
Immediately
Following the
Morning Services

Fellowship Time with Pastoral Candidate David Shields and his wife Brianna and 1 year old son Calvin.

Kindred Community Dinner

6:00 – 8:00 PM

Tuesday, January 14th

Stephens County Fairgrounds

Hosted by Open Range Cowboy Church

Duncan, Oklahoma

If you are a TBF woman with a heavenly husband or know of a woman you would like to invite to this event, please **RSVP by January 7th**

Jan Palovik at 580-467-1925 or sleepersully@hotmail.com



Windows On the World

A focus on Ministry and Missions

January 29th

Guest Speaker: TBA

Starts with a fellowship dinner at 5:45 PM

Hamburgers and Hotdogs

Anyone who is available to help cook/ set up/ clean up

Please contact Danny or Olga Pollock

Children's Church December 2019



WHY SHOULD WE CARE ABOUT CHURCH?

Adapted from Hank Hanegraaff



The Scriptures, from first to last, teach that the Christian life is to be lived within the context of a family of faith. The Bible knows nothing of Lone Ranger Christians. Far from being born again as some kind of rugged individualist, we're born into a body of believers (1 Cor 12:13), of which the Lord Jesus Christ is the head. Hebrews tells us that we should not give up meeting together (10:23-25).

Spiritual growth is simply impossible apart from membership in a healthy, well-balanced church. It's the church through which we receive the Word and the ordinances as a means of grace, and therefore it's crucial that we emulate the early Christians who devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship and to the breaking of bread and to prayer.

While it is in the church that we enter into worship, experience fellowship and are equipped to witness, church attendance itself, of course, does not save us. Walking into a church doesn't make you a Christian any more than walking into a garage makes you a car. We're rescued from God's wrath, forgiven of all our sins and declared righteous before God solely by grace through faith on account of Jesus Christ alone.

I'm not urging you to go to church so that you can become a Christian, but as a Christian you need to be part of a healthy, well-balanced church because God has ordained this as the vehicle through which we could worship Him, through which we could experience oneness with one another, and through which we can be equipped to go out and impact the world.

Submitted by Olga Pollock

Faith, Hope, Love
but the greatest of these is love

My Dear Children,

I love you. (John 3:16). I have loved you with an everlasting love (Jer. 31:3). I think about you all the time (Ps. 139:17-18) You bring Me great joy (Ps. 149:4) I rejoice over you with singing (Zeph 3:17). While you were yet sinful, I died for you (Rom. 5:8). You belong to Me (1 Cor. 6:19-20). I will continually cleanse you (1 Jn 1:7). I will protect you from evil (1 Cor. 10:13). I will defend you against your enemies (Ps. 18:1-3).

Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace (Eph. 4:3). It is good and pleasant when God's people live together in unity! (Ps. 133:1). I have given you the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers to equip you for works of service so that the body of Christ may be built up until you all reach unity in the faith and knowledge of My Son. (Eph. 4:11-13) Let there be no divisions among you but be perfectly united in mind and thought (1 Cor. 1:10) Just as I have forgiven you, forgive one another and bear with one another (Col 3:13). No one has ever seen Me, but if you love one another, I live in you and My love is made complete in you (1 Jn. 4:12).

You don't need to fear anything (Ps. 34:4). You are seated with Me in heavenly places (Eph. 1:2b-3). I provide you with everything you need (Phil. 4:19). I counsel you (Jn. 14:16). I comfort you (2 Cor. 1:3-4). I give you My peace (Jn. 14:16) and My joy (Jn. 15:11). You can trust Me with all your heart (Prov. 3:5-6). You can cast your cares on Me, for I care for you (1 Peter 5:7). I will wipe every tear from your eyes (Rev. 21:4). Receive My Holy Spirit (Jn. 20:22). I will never leave you, nor forsake you (Heb. 13:5). Surely, I am with you always (Matt. 28:11).

Love,
Father, God

Submitted by Wendy Powers

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	31	1 No church Happy New Year!!	2	3	4
5 Service 9:30 AM	6	7	8 Service 7 PM	9 Men's Bible Study – Heaven TBF 6:30 PM	10	11
12 Service 9:30AM Pot Luck Lunch @ TBF	13 MOPS At FUMC 9:30-11:30 AM	14 Kindred Community Dinner 6-8 PM	15 Service 7 PM	16 Women's Bible Study - <u>me over we</u> TBF 6 PM	17	18
19 Service 9:30 AM	20	21	22 Service 7 PM	23 Men's Bible Study – Heaven TBF 6:30 PM	24	25
26 Service 9:30 AM	27 Newsletter Deadline	28 Women's Bible Study - <u>me over we</u> TBF 6 PM	29 WOW Wednesday Dinner 5:45 PM Service 7 PM	30	31	1
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