Announcements

- No Sunday School today. Will resume next week.
- **Poinsettia Pick-up:** We have a lot of poinsettias available, please pick one up today!
- **2024 Sunday Flowers.** Sign-up is up in the fellowship hall bulletin board. Flowers are \$18.00.
- A BIG Thank You from each of us on staff! We would like to express our gratitude for your generous gifts during the Christmas season. It is comforting to know we are surrounded by such a caring church community!

Mark Your Calendars

- Mom's Group. <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>January 2 @ 4:30p</u>. We do a Bible Study, crafts, chat about life and be supportive of one another. Contact: Karina Isley.
- Life to Life Discipleship resumes <u>Tuesday</u>, January 2 @ 6:30p. Join Pastor Ken in the Fellowship Hall.
- Didi & Serafina Panzo, from the Congo. Come and hear Didi and Serafina Panzo during worship and the adult Sunday school class on January 7. Our missionaries will share how God is at work in the Congo of Africa.
- Women's Bible Study will resume on <u>January 8</u> with a study by Sarah Young, author of the Jesus Always devotional, "Embracing Jesus' Love". Contact Roxie Larson if interested in attending and would like a study guide.
- Ethel Cleis Memorial Service will be <u>January 10 @ 11:00a</u>. Luncheon to follow. Please let Lisa know if you are able to bring sandwiches, salad or dessert.
- Everyone's Bible Study will resume January 10 @ 6:30p wrapping up season 3 of the Chosen. We're very excited about the upcoming season 4 that is being released in movie theaters in February! It will be great to see it on the big screen. All are welcome to join us.
- Family Ice Skating. <u>Saturday, January 13 @ 1:00p</u> (weather permitting). Come join us for a fun Family Ice Skating event at the Poss Pond. Contact: Andrew Koetsier
- New Member Class will begin <u>January 14</u>. Join Pastor Ken in the Sanctuary between services.

Reminder - End of the Year - TODAY

Donor must deliver or mail (postmark) on or by this date in order to claim a charitable contribution for 2023. Checks that are placed in the church offering during the first worship service on 2024 will not qualify for a charitable contribution deduction in 2023, even if the check is predated to 2023 or was actually written in 2023. However, checks that are written, mailed and postmarked in 2023 will be deductible in 2023, though they are not received by church until 2024. If you have questions, please contact Lisa.

Save The Date

LIVING YOUR FAITH SERIES - FORGIVENESS

BFLC Women's Ministry is pleased to invite you to the first 2024 REVIVE! event on Saturday, January 13, 2024, from 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall!



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In January we will continue the Series by focusing on <u>Forgiveness</u>. Forgiveness is mentioned over 70 times in the Bible and Jesus emphasized its importance by

including it in The Lord's Prayer. We will discuss all Jesus has to say about forgiveness and ways we can put it to work within our families, friendships and even within ourselves.

Invite your women friends and neighbors too!

A \$10 donation will be appreciated to cover costs. Contact Lisa at <u>bflc@bflchurch.org</u> or 719-495-2221 to register. We look forward to seeing you there!

WEEK'S CALENDAR December 31 – January 7		
Sunday	8:00 & 10:30a	Worship – Youth/Young Adult Sunday
Tuesday	4:30p 6:30 7:30	Mom's Group Life to Life Discipleship AA Mtg. Al-Anon Mtg.
Wednesday	5:45p 6:30 7:30	Confirmation Youth Group Contemporary Worship Practice
Thursday	9:00a 9:30 7:30p	Quilters Staff Mtg. AA Mtg. Al-Anon Mtg.
Saturday	7:00a	Men's Bible Study
Sunday	8:00 & 10:30a 9:30	Worship – Didi & Serafina Panzo Sunday School for all ages

Attendance

12/24 9:00a - 73 3:30p - 240; 5:30p - 143; 7:30p - 84

January Scribe is out! The Scribe has all the information you need about the happenings at BFLC! Pick up yours today on the table in the Narthex or go to our website www.bflchurch.org.