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Monthly REST

A NEWSLETTER FOR THE
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Welcome to our Newsletter!

In this issue:

BY THE NUMBERS & TRIVIA

CURRENT EVENTS

ONE AND DONE & TAKEAWAYS

Our newsletter headlines our church's vision: REST!

Reaching the lost

Enabling the saved

Sending the ready

Telling the world the good news of Christ

It is officially summer! REST is commanded by God, and we have embraced it within our church's vision. This month our newsletter focuses on leaning into this truth, and acknowledging God's commands to us to rest in Him.

Exodus: 16:29 - The Sabbath is the Lord's gift to you.



We have (mostly) recovered from the activities of June. With Vacation Bible School at the beginning of June and the patriotic service and fish fry at the end of June, the SSBC family has earned some time off to rest in the Lord!



Harry Monroe led our Patriotic Service on June 26th, while our food team ensured all were well fed afterwards!



By the Numbers

??? - As the competition heats up, the number of finished Pencil Packs is uncertain. Those involved in the challenge have begun hiding their productivity in a (vain?) attempt to prevent inciting competition. **NOTE:** there still is plenty of time to join in the fun!

30 pounds - of fish cooked at the fish fry

14 pounds - of fries served at the fish fry

2 pounds - of hush puppies devoured at the fish fry

60ish - Number of people attending the patriotic service

20,000 - franchise applications per year (75-80 are chosen) to open a Chick-fil-A restaurant.

We are singling out this fast food company for two reasons:

1. Founder S. Truett Cathy understood the value of the Lord's day of rest: he set aside one day of the week for himself and his employees "to rest and worship if they choose".
2. July 12 is Cow Appreciation Day. Coined by Chick-fil-A, it occurs annually on the second Tuesday of July. There are more reasons to celebrate cows than free Chick-fil-A in July, but a free chicken sandwich is a nice bonus!

Trivia - The Lord's day

1. How many times is the word "Sabbath" written in the Bible?

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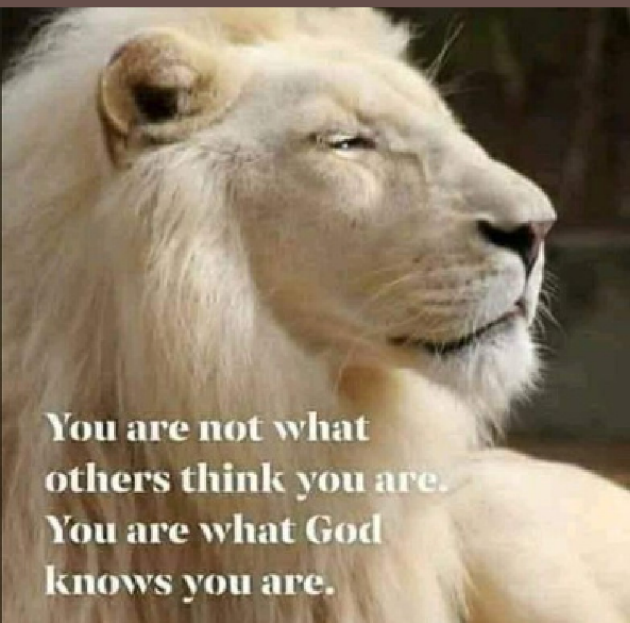
2. How many Bible verses specifically use the word "Rest"?

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3. Match the book with the number of times "Sabbath" is written there:

Book	Count
Exodus	19
Hebrews	15
Jeremiah	6
2 Kings	4
Luke	1
Revelation	0

Trivia answers are on the last page.



**You are not what
others think you are.
You are what God
knows you are.**

The key words of the gospel are not "struggle, try, and try harder," but "surrender to, yield to, rest in, and believe on the Lord Jesus."

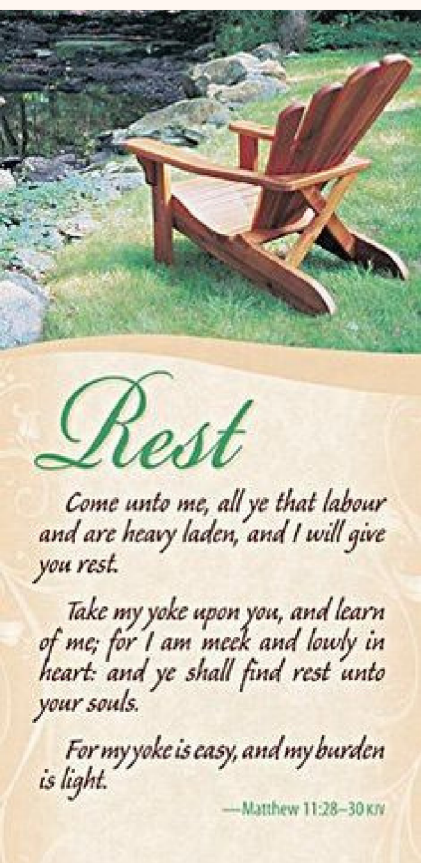
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"Others love you because of you, because your dimples dip when you smile or your rhetoric charms when you flirt. Some people love you because of you. Not God. He loves you because He is He. He loves you because He decides to." Continuing.. "God loves you simply because He has chosen to do so. He loves you when you don't feel lovely. He loves you when no one else loves you. Others may abandon you, divorce you, and ignore you, but God will love you. Always. No matter what."

- Max Lucado, A Love Worth Giving

Mission:

We seek to be obedient to God's will through bringing the lost in our community and around the world to Christ, through Bible-centered preaching and teaching, Godly servant leadership, and intercessory prayer.



Rest

*Come unto me, all ye that labour
and are heavy laden, and I will give
you rest.*

*Take my yoke upon you, and learn
of me; for I am meek and lowly in
heart: and ye shall find rest unto
your souls.*

*For my yoke is easy, and my burden
is light.*

—Matthew 11:28–30 KJV

Ongoing Events*

Shady Ladies Ministry: 1st Saturday. 10am.

Men's Ministry Breakfast: 3rd Saturday. 9am.

Prayer group: Tuesdays. 10am.

Sunday School: Sundays. 9:30am.

Choir: Sundays. 2:30pm in the sanctuary.

One Need One Deed: if you have a need, please let us know. We will connect you with someone who may be able to help. Call or e-mail the church as needed!

Sunday School Classes

Youth - studying prophets of the Old Testament

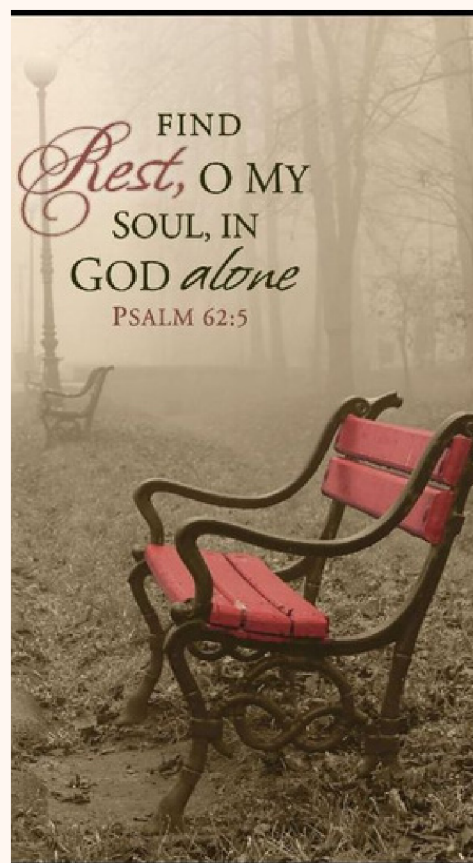
Men's Group - studying spiritual disciplines

Barnabas Class - studying the book of Acts

60 to Heaven Class - studying the book of Job

Zoom Bible Study: Mondays. 7:00pm.

<https://tinyurl.com/barnabaszoom>



Upcoming Event

Teacher's Brunch: Saturday, August 6.

*Held in SSBC classrooms unless otherwise noted.



Join us Sundays as Pastor Brad Elsom continues a new series of sermons focusing on prayer!

Prayer Requests:

Please continue to send prayer requests to Ed Barrett for church-wide distribution [call or text 972-741-1002].

Note 1: prayer requests also can be placed in the offering plate in the foyer along with our tithes and offerings!

Note 2: The church website offers access to

- Online Giving
- Services on YouTube
- SSBC's Facebook Page

Trivia Answers:

1. 139
2. 72
3. Sabbath References:

All Books

Old Testament (79)

Exodus (15)

Leviticus (17)

Numbers (3)

Deuteronomy (3)

2 Kings (6)

1 Chronicles (2)

2 Chronicles (5)

Nehemiah (10)

Psalm (2)

Isaiah (5)

Jeremiah (4)

Lamentations (1)

Ezekiel (4)

Hosea (1)

Amos (1)

New Testament (60)

Matthew (10)

Mark (10)

Luke (19)

John (9)

Acts (9)

1 Corinthians (1)

Colossians (1)

Hebrews (1)

Source: Knowing Jesus, accessed May 18, 2022, available at: <https://bible.knowing-jesus.com/words/Sabbath/book/>

Remember Mary at the wedding feast when the host ran out of wine? Note how Mary reacted. "They have no more wine," she told Jesus. That's it. That's all she said. She simply assessed the problem and gave it to Jesus." When all the wine was gone Jesus' mother said to him, 'They have no more wine'" (John 2:3). Please note that she took the problem to Jesus before she took it to anyone else. Next time you face a common calamity, follow the example of Mary at the wineless wedding:

Identify the problem. Present it to Jesus. Do what He says.

- Excerpted from Max Lucado Heavenly Invitation

One and Done

Choose an act of service or mission.

"Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others. In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus." - Philippians 2:3-5

Pray

- ask the Lord to teach you how to pray
- set aside a daily time to pray
- find a quiet place to pray
- remember prayer is a privilege
- thank the Lord for blessings beyond measure
- pray for our towns, cities, states, and country
- pray for our leaders, whether you like them or not
- pray for strength for believers around the world
- pray for God to change the hearts of non-believers
- Again: remember, prayer is a privilege