

Advent Series: Week Three

Strength & Courage



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Pastor Tom Hocking
 Matthew 1:18-25; 2:12-23

Introduction:

Why do we need strength & courage?

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What does strength & courage look like?

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Where does strength & courage come from?

[Matt. 1:23; cf. Ps. 18:1-2; 31-32; Eph. 3:16]

Our response:

Worship Service [Songs & Scripture Intertwined]

Opening Song	Angels we Have Heard on High
	Behold
	It Came Upon a Midnight Clear
	Silent Night
Sermon	Strength & Courage
Closing Song	Child of Bethlehem

We are here to proclaim Christ to the world until He comes, through our worship and our relationships.

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Mark Your Calendar

Date/Time	Event	Location
Today 9:00 AM	Worship	Sanctuary
4:00-6:00 PM	AWANA	All Over The Place!

Attendance	Last Week	Last Year
Morning Worship	161	159
Sunday School	152	96

Adult Bible Fellowships

Class:	Tethered in Faith	Couples	Family Focus	Lost & Found	Truth Trekkers
Room #:	206	200	Office	201	110
Topic:	1 Timothy	Romans	What If Jesus Was Serious About Prayer?	1st & 2nd Corinthians	The Minor Prophets
Teacher:	Steve Cohen	Bob Clarke	Al Siebert	Paul Woodward	Jerry Bollinger

	General Fund	Mission Salaries	Mission Projects
Opening Balance 1/1/22	\$34,683	\$6,781	\$2,463
Budgeted Income	\$340,480	\$73,211	\$6,462
Actual Income	\$372,811	\$68,805	\$19,357
Budgeted Expense	\$340,480	\$73,211	\$6,462
Actual Expense	\$354,480	\$73,918	\$15,883
Closing Balance 11/30/22	\$53,014	\$1,668	\$5,936

Thank you Church Family!

I want to thank everyone for so generously supporting our Operation Christmas Child shoebox ministry this year. Together we were able to send 131 love-filled shoeboxes to children around the globe. We were also able to cover the shipping for all the boxes because of your generous donations. I know that God is going to use those shoeboxes to reach many lives for His Kingdom. Thank you, Kim Osburn

Bilingual Service Next Sunday @10:30



Our preschool and elementary children will help us celebrate the fourth week of advent next week at 10:30 in the worship center. Refreshments will be served in the patio before the service. Come early to connect with and encourage each other!

Thanksgiving Appreciation

Dear BBC Family, We so appreciate your prayers, love, kindness, and giving spirit in sharing Thanksgiving Love Gifts in our own church body and to a new family in Bellflower. They say "Thank You, God Bless You," and some give hugs. Thank You, Church Family, for the monetary donations you freely gave. Thank You, to our Special Baker for making so many delicious breads. "Ohhh!" Thank You, Awana Club, for all the food you shared. Some will be going to a family in TJ and a family here in Bellflower before Christmas. We thank you with a grateful heart because of Jesus, our Lord.

Your Harvest Team on behalf of Bellflower Brethren Church.

Water for Good Vision Trip Report

During the Sunday School hour today in room 110, Bob Crizer and Pastor Tom will share a verbal and visual report about their recent trip to the Central African Republic—everyone is welcome!

“All is Well” Advent Season -2022

Advent is the celebration of Jesus' coming, and despite the challenging year that we have experienced in 2022, let's rejoice in the fact that because of His coming, "all is well" indeed! This year Christmas falls on a Sunday so our worship schedule will be unique for several Sundays in a row. To help you prepare here is a preview of our advent themes and service times:



- 12/11 Advent week 3: *Strength & Courage*
- 12/18 Advent week 4: *Light & Life* [10:30 AM Bilingual Service]
- 12/24 5PM Christmas Eve Service
- 12/25 Christmas: *Joy & Peace* [10:30-11:30 Special Service]
- 1/1/23 Communion & Potluck [10:30 AM Bilingual Service]

Christmas Gifts

This year we want to bless the kids from the border ministry in Tijuana, Mexico. If you want to buy a gift for a child (about \$20), please see Maria Martinez in the patio today. She has a list of kids.