

UPCOMING EVENTS & INFORMATION

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PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH

We are so blessed to have a great pastoral staff and we encourage individuals and families to recognize and thank them for their vital service and roles. Visit buffalocov.org/appreciate for some great ideas to show them how much they mean to us. There is a box available in the lobby for cards to be written and given to the pastors.

MISSIONS CONFERENCE

SATURDAY, October 29, 4-7:30 pm // BCC

4 pm: Ministry Fair / **6 pm:** Special Speakers: Steve Wintermantel & Damtew Kifelew

SUNDAY, October 30, Morning Services-2:30 pm // BCC

9 & 11 am: Special Speaker: Grayling Trees / **10:10 am:** Ministry Fair

12 pm: Lunch Provided / **1 pm:** Missionary Updates & Special Speaker: Rob Johnson

We are ALL called to know God and to make Him known. Where do you fit in? Join us for our annual Missions Conference where you'll have the opportunity to engage with more than 15 of our supported missionaries and explore your role in sharing the good news of salvation. This year's theme is "Till All Hear" and our missionaries will share updates and experiences from their work abroad and here at home. We'll have activities for ages 3 on up - come taste ethnic food, participate in worship, and meet the missionaries you help to support.

MEXICO MISSION TRIP INTEREST MEETING

October 30, 2:30 pm // Room 201

BCC will be traveling to Leon, Mexico for a short-term mission trip on Jan. 14-21, 2023. We will spend our week in Leon and the Highlands of Jalisco visiting and praying over villages where there are no known born-again believers or evangelical churches. The trip is open to adults and teens who are accompanied by a parent.

PEPPER EVENT

November 11, 5:30-7:30 pm // Brothers Caffe in Buffalo

The PEPPERS are back for a Dinner and Game Night! Pay at the door \$15/person. This covers a delicious buffet dinner and a fun evening of fellowship. This is a social event for those in their 50s, 60s and 70s, and anyone else who wants to associate with this fun age group! Please register by calling the church office or online at buffalocov.org/adults/senior-adults.

COMING THIS WEEK

Popcorn & Pumpkins – Wednesday, October 19, 6 pm, Patio

Fall Break – No Awana, Confirmation, Hang Time or Wednesday Night Dinner on Wednesday, October 19

FRUITFUL AND FAITHFUL LIVING

BUFFALO COVENANT

10/16/22

THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT IS KINDNESS

Pastor Mark Stromberg

Galatians 5:13-25

¹³You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, serve one another humbly in love. ¹⁴For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command: "Love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁵If you bite and devour each other, watch out or you will be destroyed by each other.

¹⁶So I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. ¹⁷For the flesh desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the flesh. They are in conflict with each other, so that you are not to do whatever you want. ¹⁸But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law.

¹⁹The acts of the flesh are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity, and debauchery; ²⁰idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions ²¹and envy; drunkenness, orgies, and the like. I warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God.

²²But the Fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. ²⁴Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. ²⁵Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit.

There is a good tree which brings forth 'good fruit' and a bad tree which brings forth 'bad fruit.' The nature of the fruit is determined by the nature of the tree!

We are 'God's Temple' (I Corinthians 3:16)

We have the 'Mind of Christ' (I Corinthians 2:16)

People do not 'rise to the occasion' but sink to the level of their maturity!

KINDNESS IS AN ATTRIBUTE OF GOD

Psalm 117:2, Luke 6:35, Romans 2:4, Titus 3:3-7

Luke 10:25-37 *"The Good Samaritan"*

KINDNESS IS AN ATTITUDE TOWARD PEOPLE

Three Questions Before We Speak:

Is it True?

Is it Necessary?

Is it Kind?

The Story of Jonah and the Ninevites

The Story of the Pharisees and the Man with the Shriveled Hand

"My yoke is easy" (Matthew 11:30)

"Kindness is that temper of spirit which delights at putting people at ease and shrinks from inflicting pain." -Alfred Plumber

KINDNESS IS AN ACTION

"Do all the good you can, by all the means you can, in all the ways you can, in all the places you can, at all the times you can, to all the people you can, as long as ever you can." -John Wesley

Kindness: *"A Road to the Loving Heart!"*

A Quiz: Name a person who has been kind to you.

welcome TO BUFFALO COVENANT

NEW TO BCC?

Here at Buffalo Covenant, you can learn, grow and connect in an authentic and biblically-based community. If you want to know more about us, or have questions on how to get connected, please stop in at the Welcome Center.

PRAYER

For prayer requests, contact the Church Office or fill out the prayer section on the Get Connected card and return to the Welcome Center.

CHILD CARE

Child care is provided for infants through age five (pre-k) during both 9 am and 11 am services.

COFFEE & PASTRIES

Grab a free coffee. Purchase a \$1 pastry from the BCC youth fundraiser in the Commons.

GIVE

Offering boxes are in the back of the Worship Center or you can give at buffalocov.org/give.

sunday, october 16 WORSHIP WITH US

TODAY

Fruit of the Spirit: Kindness (Gal. 5:13-26)

CHILDCARE

Available at 9 am and 11 am service (ages 0-5)

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Classes available for all ages from 10:10-10:50 am

MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT

Held in the BCC gym at 10:10 am
TODAY & Oct. 23 - "True North - Staying the Course" Series with Jonathan Parker

UPCOMING SUNDAY SERMONS

FRUITFUL & FAITHFUL LIVING

October 23 - Fruit of the Spirit: Goodness (Gal. 5:13-26)

MISSIONS CONFERENCE

October 30 - Guest speaker: Grayling Trees

FRUITFUL & FAITHFUL LIVING

November 6 - Fruit of the Spirit: Faithfulness (Gal. 5:13-26)



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