UPCOMING EVENTS & INFORMATION

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WILD GAME FEED

November 18, 6:30-8 pm // Gym

After hunting is over and you've bagged your game, join the men of BCC for a night to tempt the taste buds. Find your best game recipe, toss on those seasonings, throw it in the smoker, or cover it in extra special secret sauce, then come share your dish and some great fellowship at the same time. (We won't ask for recipes.) Prizes will be awarded for the best dish! Register online at *buffalocov.org/men*.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Now-November 20 // Drop-off in Commons

Join in this unique opportunity to share Christ with a child using a simple shoebox! This Christmas, children overseas will receive the shoebox gifts, hand delivered, along with Christian literature in their own language. What an opportunity to reach children with a clear presentation of the Gospel! For more information visit buffalocov.org/operation-christmas-child.

MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT - POWER IN PRAYER

November 20, 10:10 am // Gym // With Pastor Joel McQueen

Each and every child of God can pray powerful prayers because we are men and women, just like Elijah, who are righteous by faith. Our prayers are powerful because we serve a living God. Come and Join Pastor Joel McQueen as we take a look at closer look at 1 Kings 18 in the gym during our 10:10 Sunday School hour.

SOUP AND PRAYER

November 20, 12:15-1:30 pm // Room 201

Join us for a simple meal and a time of prayer - we encourage all ages and families to attend. We'll focus on praying for the people and needs of our congregation, prayer requests we've received, our church ministries and our nation.

WOMEN'S BANQUET

December 2, 6:30 pm // Gym

Start your holiday season off with a night of connection and fellowship! Ages 15 and up are invited to dinner and conversation around one-of-a-kind decorated tables hosted by other BCC women. We'll also have a simple craft project and an uplifting message to cap off the night. Sign up at *buffalocov.org/women*. A free will offering will be taken to help cover the cost of food and supplies.

COMING THIS WEEK

Produce Distribution – Monday, November 14, 4 pm, BCC Parking Lot **SALT** – Tuesday, November 15, 1:30 pm, Youth Room



THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT IS GENTLENESS

Pastor Mark Stromberg

Galatians 5:13-25

¹³ You, 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. ¹⁴ For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command: "Love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁵ If you bite and devour each other, watch out or you will be destroyed by each other.

¹⁶ So I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. ¹⁷ For 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. ¹⁸ But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law.

¹⁹ The acts of the flesh are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity, and debauchery; ²⁰ idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions ²¹ and 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.

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

THE MISUNDERSTANDING OF GENTLENESS

The Biblical truth is not that "might makes right" but rather that "right is might!"

Gentleness: a soft answer to a rough question.

Three New Testament Meanings:

- 1. Teachable and not too proud to learn
- 2. Being considerate
- 3. Submission to the will of God

THE MODELS OF GENTLENESS

Old Testament: Moses (Numbers 12:3; Hebrews 11:24-29)

New Testament: Jesus (Matthew 11:28-30, 12:18-21; Luke 16:19-31, 18:18-30, 23:34)

THE MUST OF GENTLENESS

Two Options for Living:

- 1. Hustle to the top
- "So, the last will be first, and the first will be last." (Matthew 20:16)
- 2. The 'Jesus Way'
- "The meek shall inherit the earth." (Matthew 5:5)

"In humility, prefer one another." (Philippians 2:3)

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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, november 13

WORSHIP WITH US

TODAY Fruit of the Spirit: Gentleness (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 Held in the BCC gym at 10:10 am

SPOTLIGHT TODAY - Passion in Prayer with Don Muilenburg

November 20 - Power in Prayer with Paster Joel McQueen

November 27 - Christmas Love Project

UPCOMING SUNDAY FRUITFUL & FAITHFUL LIVING (GALATIANS 5:13-26)

SERMONS November 20 - Fruit of the Spirit: Self-Control

THE JOURNEY OF CHRISTMAS (ADVENT SERIES)

November 27 - The Journey of Expectation (Luke 1:26-56)

December 4 - The Journey of Inquiry (Luke 2:8-20)



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