October 17, 2021 The Lord's Day

Welcome....We are so glad that you have joined with us today for worship, Bible teaching and fellowship. We trust that God may be glorified in our midst and that you might be strengthened in your faith and encouraged in your walk with the Lord Jesus. If you have not already done so, please sign our guest book today before you leave. Thanks!

Sunday Bible School @ 9:30 a.m.

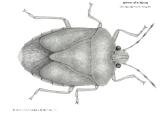
Morning Service @ 10:30 a.m. Message: "The Reality of Living Godly in Christ - Pt.2" Scripture Reading: 2 Timothy 3:10-17



Evening Service @ 6:00 p.m. Message: "Rejoicing in the Trial of Your Faith - Pt.3" Scripture Reading: 1Peter 1:3-12

### God's Agriculture and the Stink Bug

Thorns also and thistles shall it bring forth to thee; and thou shalt eat the herb of the field... (Genesis 3:18)



The world originally created by God was perfect in every respect. However, among the consequences of sin mentioned in Genesis 3 are the thorns and thistles, which make man's agriculture more difficult. We could certainly classify insect

pests in the same category as noxious weeds. However, God did not leave us without earthly solutions to these problems. Modern agriculture has relied largely on powerful herbicides and insecticides to protect crops from pests. At the same time, God's design of nature has always included more natural, less toxic ways of controlling pests. Modern science is learning how to use the same methods God uses to control insects. The spined soldier bug, also known as the stink bug, is one of God's natural controllers of insect pests. The stink bug eats over a hundred different kinds of insect pests, including some of the worst, such as the cotton bollworm and the gypsy moth. Researchers have found that spraving a crop with natural attractant, produced by the stink bug, serves as a call to dinner. Stink bugs naturally move in and begin devouring harmful pests without damaging the crop. Since the stink bug attractant is a naturally produced chemical, it does no harm in nature before it breaks down. Our Creator's solutions to problems are always better than ours. You can learn more about His solutions to your problems, including the problem of sin, in the Bible.

Ref: J.A. Miller. 1982. "Chemical Mobilizes Soldier Bug" Science News, Dec. 11, p 373 Green stinkbug: Encyclopedia Britannica 2014

#### Coming Up

Tues Oct 19 ~ P&D Meeting - 1pm <u>Sun Nov 7 ~ Daylight Saving Time ends!</u> Sun Nov 7 ~ Communion - 10:30am Sun Dec 19 ~ "Christmas Together" - 10:30am Sat Dec 25 ~ Christmas Day - Celebrating the birth of Jesus, God's only begotten Son!

Put it on your Set calendar Your now, for Clocks Sunday Back November 7th



## A Timely Reminder about Missions

## Giving at Berean...

We are a missions minded local church. Currently we support eight missionary families for a total of

\$2,550.00 per month. We fund our missionary support by taking 17% of the weekly tithes and offerings and adding to that the monies designated for missions. This year we have seen the designated missions monies greatly reduce since July. And it is these monies that help us to balance the missions budget. We encourage all Bereans, if you are able, to set aside a little extra (over and above your tithe) for missions when you give your tithes and offerings. You can check out the financial report for Missions for September posted on the Missions bulletin board to see how we have been doing with receipts. Thank you for your consideration of this need. Questions? See Pastor Bruce.

#### Missionary of the Month

Christoph & Stephanie Zaiser (nee deSouza) Baby Anna's hyperextended knees and hip dysplasia continue to improve. Christoph has taken two months off to take care of her and Stephanie. The government pays part of his salary on paternity leave. Continue to pray for our future work in Mozambigue (southeast Africa, on the Indian Ocean). Portuguese is the national language there, just like Brazil. Once we get there we can focus on learning the local language of the people group we will be working with. Please continue to pray that God will guide us and show us where He wants us to be.

Last Week's Attendance SBS 19, AM - 40, PM - 10 Prayer Meetings - AM- 4 PM- 7



We invite all out to prayer meeting on Wednesdays at either 10:30am or 7pm for about an hour... this is an informal time of sharing praise items and answers to prayer, a brief Bible study [currently reading through the book of Exodus...this Wednesday - Ex. 7:14-25], sharing prayer requests and then going to the Lord in prayer. Not everyone prays out loud...you are not required to pray out loud...but we encourage everyone to take a turn in praying out loud for the group... I'm sure you would be encouraged by attending prayer meeting...our church would be more greatly blessed if you attended...I would love to have you at prayer meeting ~pb

# Happy Birthday Oct 20...May Finch Oct 23...Elena Ellis Oct 24...Makaela Little Nov 3...Jeff Allen Nov 8...Marlene Scott Nov 12...Janice Redding, Kevin Stroud-Lusk Just For Fun My mind has apparently left on vacation without me. Before the crowbar was invented, crows had to drink at home. My ability to remember song lyrics from the 80s far exceeds my ability to remember why I walked into the kitchen.

- Does anyone know how long it takes to repair a hearing aid? I posted mine 2 weeks ago, and I've heard nothing since.
- I just did a weeks worth of cardio after walking into a spiderweb.
- I try to take just one day at a time but lately several days have attacked me all at once.

Budget Notes for Last Week	
Tithes & Offerings	
Missions @ 17%	\$218.00
Ministry (\$1920 req'd)	\$1065.00
Total	\$1,283.00
Designated:	
Missions	\$185.00
Ministry	\$250.00
FaithWay Love Gift	\$45.00
Baby Anna	\$2.00
Total	\$482.00
Total Receipts for the Day	\$1765.00

