



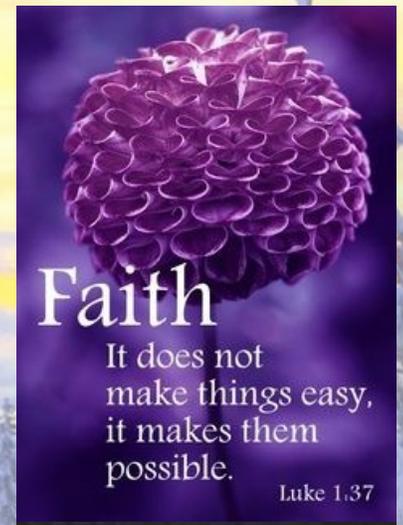
Believers Faith Fellowship
Christiana, TN

Faith

Most people know their problems and they even know what they want in life. What most don't know is how to get what they want. The missing component is faith. Faith is the substance for what we hope for, but it is also action based on a plan. Faith will produce what is in our hearts.

This January, I am going to teach what faith is and how to develop your faith to produce what God has placed in your heart.

Pastor, Jason Scales



Have you ever....

Have you ever wondered why is it, when you need someone, they are never there? Especially when you're always there for them?

Stop beating yourself up waiting on them to come around. Consider yourself blessed that they're not, that way God can have you all to Himself. When others are "there" for you, that can sometimes interfere in your hearing from God. When you have different voices telling you this and that, it becomes difficult to hear The Voice of God.

Don't get me wrong, God will use others to minister to you, but in those times when you feel abandoned, don't! God sometimes set us apart so we can hear from Him. It's all a part of your purpose. Be encouraged in these moment's to get closer to God. Read your Bible, pray and talk to God, ask Him what steps you need to take and in what direction. Use these alone times to really reevaluate your life, relationships and your walk with Christ.

Challenge yourself to make changes for the betterment of YOU. See the good in the bad. Be encouraged and know, when no one is there, God is always there!!



Pastor, Lady & Isaiah Scales

The heart of BFF



“And they overcame by the blood of the lamb, and by the word of their testimony...”

In 2010, I started working as an office manager at a health care company. During my time there, I received one raise and was told that there would not be any promotions. I worked diligently to prove myself. I never took any days off, I came in early and I stayed late. My available vacation time was through the roof. The 3 years that I was there, not once did I take a vacation. There were times where I would have at least 20 hours of overtime on a paycheck. So in my daily talks with God I said, "God, there has to be more to this! You have to have more for me."

There were mornings I just wanted to throw in the towel, but I kept hearing God tell me, "Don't move." What You mean, "Don't move?" I was obedient, I stayed. In May of 2013, I decided to take my first vacation. I went back to work that following Friday. At the end of the business day I was called into the office. The company had decided to do away with my position. Normally, I would have cried and cried and cried in that office, but at that moment I felt a peace come

over me. I felt like a weight had been lifted off my shoulders.

For 7 months straight, I went on countless job interviews. I didn't get any call backs for the jobs that I applied for. On November 4, 2013, I received a phone call from the HR manager at a healthcare company that was subcontracted through the previous company I was laid off from. She plainly said, "Erica, you come highly recommended to our company. We have a position that has come available and was wondering if you would be interested in coming in for an interview. This position has been open for 7 months."

After the interview, I was on my way back home when I got the phone call that the job was mine. The pay and the benefits were exactly what I had been asking for at my previous job! I told myself that this isn't anyone but GOD.

In 2014, as my husband and I completed our 2013 taxes, we had a HUGE "AHA" moment! Our income was completely higher than it was in 2012,

which is the time we both worked the entire year. Take into consideration, I was without a job for 7 months. NOT one bill went unpaid, NOT one utility was cut off, and dinner was on the table every night.

Now here we are today, after 2 years at my current employer, I have landed the biggest promotion of my career! I was promoted to Supervisor of the department I work in and Program Director! A position on paper. I am not qualified for, but God thought otherwise! I clearly heard God tell me, "I told you that I was your source. I have it all taken care of! You matter to me Erica!" God continuously shows His love for me. This is why I'm learning to be content in any situation! I know my source and who I matter to. I can rest in the promises of God! He is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all I can ever ask or think!!



For Every Mountain

This journey that life has us on has not been easy, but it has been worth it. Our family has experienced many troubling times, but God always shows up and shows out. There has not been one situation that we made a mountain out of that God has not moved in our favor.

Mark 11: 23-24 says Truly, I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, 'Be taken up and thrown into the sea,' and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that what he says will come to pass, it will be done for him. Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will

be yours.

When I was a senior in undergraduate school and James a recent graduate we found out we would be parents to a beautiful little girl - God lead James' father to retire from his job and care for our little bundle of joy while we worked and finished school- Mountain Moved! When we experienced strife in our marriage God lead us to this church in Christina, TN. On Our first visit to Believers Faith Fellowship God provided a word that we applied to our lives that changed us for better- Mountain Moved! When my workload was overbearing and I felt that I was not being the best mother I could be, God provided a job with an increased salary and a flexible

scheduled- Mountain Moved! When our daughter was struggling in her new school, God provided re-source on top of resource to help her. She is now preforming very well at a new school- Mountain Moved! God is moving mountains for us, therefore we walk in confidence because we know all of our needs have been provided. I challenge you, when you approach your mountains speak to them, tell the mountains how big your God is and that they will move - right on out the way. Be blessed!

-Destiny Greene



Worship

Love responding to Love...



Business Corner

It's Plush! We care about you, all of you, beginning with your skin. Our skincare products are made with natural ingredients (non toxic substances) that are handmade and hand-picked just for you. It's good - It's Plush! People love Plush products because they smell good, feel good, moisturize and contain natural healing properties that can only be obtained from the earth. Not only that, but it's locally owned and operated. Highlight of our product is that it's free of toxic chemicals found in most commercial products and it's reasonably priced!

It's Plush! was birthed through founder and operator, *Shatiqua Jamerson*, who was having difficulty finding skincare and hair products that worked best for her. Creating her own products using

natural ingredients helped her find a solution for her skincare and hair treatment. Her created product helped with her skin allergies and dermatitis as well as improving the health of her scalp and hair.

Current clients have praised It's Plush! for helping with eczema, dry scalp, dry skin patches and other skin allergies.

It's Plush can currently be purchased online at www.its-plush.com, and in a store near you soon..



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Announcements

Every 3rd Sunday is Baptism Sunday, if you'd like to get baptized please email, info@bfftn.org

Every 2nd Monday of every month is BFF Connect- Building Families First. If you have joined BFF or if you would like to know more about BFF, come out and meet the BFF family.

Church Directory coming soon. If you would like to be listed, please email info@bfftn.org with your information.

MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT

SALT (Senior and Living Life Together) Trail Blazers

(Where There's No Salt, There's No Season...)

SALT is the Senior adult ministry at BFF. SALT provides opportunities for volunteering and support, recreation, and social events with other active senior adults who like to spend time in fellowship

I became a member of Believers Faith Fellowship (BFF) in April, 2014. Shortly after joining Pastor Jason came to me and asked if I would come up with some activities at least once a month for the retired/seniors at BFF. I immediately said yes, I then went to work on places, dates and cost for things to do once a month. We scheduled our first outing within ninety days and it was thirteen of us, we went to the Frist Museum in downtown Nashville, afterwards we went to Monel's for lunch. It was a great fellowship. Some of the other activities included bowling in Smyrna, Jack Daniels Tour in Lynchburg, Miniature Golfing in Antioch and The Aquarium in Chattanooga. After each activity, we always ate lunch together. We went to several different restaurants; Monel's, Red Robin, Olive Garden, Ms. Mary Bobo's and the Golden Corral in Chattanooga. All of

this was in 2015.

In 2016, we decided to do outings every other month and lunch someplace nearby afterwards. We also named the group the Trail Blazers; this was suggested by Mr. Kenneth Murray. This year, we visited places like the Corvette Museum in Bowling Green, KY, Ruby Falls in Chattanooga, Nashville Zoo. We visited several restaurants this year, we went to Applebee's in Bowling Green, Champy's in Chattanooga, TN BBQ Depot in Nashville. As you can see, we seniors have a glorious time!

One of the greatest things about this group is the fellowship and closeness that has taken place over the past almost two years. The other neat thing about us is that you don't have to be a senior citizen to join us on any of our excursions. We have fun, good food and good fellowship! I'm so glad to be a part of a ministry that promotes good sound fellowship and in the mist of this, friendships.

Lois Johnson, Leader

Survey:

1. What brought you to BFF?
 2. Why do you stay?
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Wednesday at 6:30pm

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