

### Dear Chapelites,

## Brad Hurtig - "Find a Way"

Brad Hurtig will speak at Liberty Chapel, Sunday, September 12 at both services.

Brad was a student-athlete in a small town in Northwest Ohio. Only days after finishing his sophomore year of high school, a devastating accident resulted in the amputation of both of Brad's hands.



Through hard work and determination Brad soon rejoined his high school football team. In his senior year, Brad led his team defense, recording 111 tackles and received all-state honors all while playing with no hands. Brad's inspirational story of triumph quickly captured national headlines.

Brad spoke to our football team in 2019, and his slogan, "Find a Way" became a driving force for a great season. Since then, he has shared his life story at a school assembly. You will want to invite all your friends to this one.

You can find more on his website: <a href="https://www.bradhurtig.com">https://www.bradhurtig.com</a>

#### A Tall Drink of Water



Last night (Sunday), we got a half inch of rain! When I went outside this morning, I heard sounds of thanksgiving everywhere. It came from the corn and beans. "We were so thirsty! Thank, you God!" The grass and garden added, "We were parched! Thank you, God!" The trees and flowers chimed in, "We were thirsting to death! Thank you, God!"

A while back, our rain gauge broke. I got one of these newfangled, digital, self-emptying gauges. There was no rain for quite some time, and I announced that it did not work since it only showed zeros. Last night is worked wonderfully. I went to the kitchen, looked at the gauge, and an-

nounced, "We got a tenth! It is really coming down!" A little later, "Two tenths! Keep it coming! We need it." In the end, "Fifty-two hundredths! Half an inch! Thank you, God!" It was a tall drink of water.

Yesterday morning (Sunday), we gathered as Christian friends. The morning started with chit-chat in the parking lot and then worship in God's great outdoors. We sang: "Join with all nature in manifold witness / To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love / Great is Thy faithfulness, great is Thy faithfulness / Morning by morning new mercies I see." While singing, I looked at God's create—the bright blue sky, the sycamores, and corn, and I got a little misty eyed.

At both services, I enjoyed opening the word, and I prayed that God would speak into our hearts. We prayed together. We enjoyed fellowship and biblical teaching in Sunday School. The inside service was face-to-face fellowship with friends.

A really good worship song lingers in your heart. I enjoyed all the songs at both services, but last night and this morning, I found my soul singing: "Hosanna, hosanna! / You are the God Who saves us, / worthy of all our praises!" And: "In my Father's house / There's a place for me / I'm a child of God, yes, I am."

My Sunday morning experience, Sunday School and Church, was a tall drink of water for my soul.

A long time ago, a wise farmer told me that they would like an inch of rain every Saturday evening. A long time ago, a wise father and mother told me that I needed to be in Sunday School and church every week.

Thank you, God for a drink of rainwater and a drink of spiritual living water. We needed them both.

Pray for one another. Pray for healing for those who are ill or hurting. Pray for the people of Afghanistan, Haiti, and Louisiana.

See you Sunday!

Pastor Brad

## **Last Sunday**

Teaching Series: "Lessons for the Journey"

Message: "Adventures"

James 1:2-4

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pM0ke9scRRo&t=2s

#### **Next Sunday**

Teaching Series: "Lessons for the Journey"

Message: "Family Time"

Joshua 24:15

https://www.youtube.com/c/LibertyChapelLC

- August 30, 2021



A mission trip is being planned to Henderson Settlement in Frakes, Kentucky for October 17-23. Registration forms are available. Please contact Carla Gillen for more information.

## YF Firestarters 2021:

YF Fire Starters are going to have a fantastic summer. Each week over summer our theme will center around our youth group name "FireStarters". Students will learn why we call ourselves "FireStarters", and the scriptures behind it.

YF youth group provides a fun refuge for teens where they are able to grow in their faith through community, and the light and love of Jesus is taught and experienced,

encouraging students to live Christ mission out loud. Come be a part of something bigger than yourselves. Friends are always welcome.

Blessings,

Pastor Phil

# **Upcoming Happenings:**

Reg. YF Night - July 7th (6:30pm)

Reg. YF Night - July 21st (6:30pm)

VBS - July 25-29th

Reg. YF Night - August 4th(6:30pm)

Reg. YF Night - August 18th (6:30pm)

Fair Volunteers - August 12th-19th



Rita Robertson - Health concerns; Anita Dickey (Phil's mom) - Brain tumor; Friends and family of Debi Billings (Carl Carter's sister) Debi passed away August 21; Tom Overmier-Recovering from back surgery; April Mozingo-Health Concerns; Mary Seagrave-Health Concerns; Medical personnel and First responders.

Long-Term Needs: Cindy Overmier--Parkinson's Disease; Terry & Sandy Stites – Injuries from car accident; Connie Arps McDonald (Carolyn Arps' daughter) – Cancer; Tom Tedrow – Cancer; Russ & Judy Strayer- Health concerns; Carolyn Arps – Health concerns; Eric Gutierrez; Kent Spiess. Also, members of the military and their families, and our missionary families.

| Sunday  | Monday   | Tuesday   | Wednesday                                | Thursday   | Friday  | Saturday  |
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| 5<br>Darren Estelle<br>Ben & Peg Zientek<br>Dustin & Lydia<br>Sweeney | 6<br>Bill Vollmar<br>Tom & Gretchen<br>Tedrow                  | 7<br>Dexter Span-<br>gler                                 | 8<br>Don Meter<br>Marcia Bearley         | 9<br>Hannah Tedrow<br>Mark & Penny Jones<br>Kyler & Emily Miller                   | Angie Spiess<br>Cheryl Carter<br>Alexa Smiddy | Cheryl Collier<br>Joe & Carla Gillen  |
| 12<br>Ken & Sharon Stites   | Vondra Oberhaus Terry Shafer Blaire Mohler Tom & Tammy Oelkrug | 14<br>Kyler Miller<br>Kennedy Bare                        | 15<br>Angie Wiechers<br>Tom & Kathy Wolf | 16<br>Terry & Debbye Hoff-<br>man  | 17  | 18<br>Olivia Leatherman<br>Jason Mohler<br>Julie Masuwa<br>Zeb Orr  |
|   | 20   | Josh Atkinson<br>Gracyn Light<br>Mike & Marlene Hamlin    | 22<br>KHappovija<br>Anniversaru          | 23<br>Zac Graber<br>JoHanna Young<br>Kelly Stites<br>Randy & Teresa Bostel-<br>man | WAPP L  | 25<br>Megan Peterson<br>Bev Griteman  |
| 26<br>Paul Amstutz<br>Jon & Jericha Burt                              | 27<br>John & Kathy Hart-<br>ford                               | 28<br>Dan Bare<br>Archer Cobb<br>Bill & Marcia<br>Bearley | 29<br>Penny Jones                        | 300  |   |   |
|   |  |   |  |  |   | If you don't see your birthday or anniversary on the calendar, and you would like it to be on there, please let the office know!! Thanks. |



8:15 a.m. Sunday Worship Times:

Sunday School:

10:30 a.m. 9:15 a.m.

Outside Worship Inside Worship Classes for All Ages

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SUNDAY WORSHIP HOURS – 8:15 A.M. & 10:30 A.M. SUNDAY SCHOOL – 9:15 A.M.

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"A body knowing and growing in Christ so deeply that He is overflowing to others."

Return Service Requested

# September, 2021

