

Cultivating growing relationship with Jesus Christ



Am I truly allowing God's word to change my perspective and my behavior?

Men

Bocce Event

What is bocce? It's like horseshoes with balls. Teens and adults join us at SCBC for this FUN event TODAY (April 27) from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. Invite someone to join you! You will play at least three games. If you have a stone bocce set that we can use that day, please note that when you RSVP. You can register as a team of two to four people. You can also register as an individual, and we will try to partner you with someone. **Please RSVP by speaking with Pastor Christian this morning.**

Breakfast

Invite other guys and join us this Friday (May 2) at 6:30 a.m. at the US Egg restaurant (2957 W. Bell Rd. Phoenix 85053). Come and hang out with other men from SCBC and enjoy fantastic food and fellowship! If you are new to our church body or would like to get to know other men here at SCBC better, this is the event to attend. For more information, speak to Tim Summers or email tbsummers062@gmail.com.

Retreat

Save the date for this year's retreat at Emmanuel Pines Camp in Prescott, Arizona on October 17-19. This is a great opportunity to connect with other men. Pray about who you could invite. It may be somebody in our church or somebody not in our church. Watch for more details.

Bible Study

Please join us Wednesdays from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. in room 1. Come and hang out with other men from SCBC for biblical discussions relevant to life and build friendships. Remember to invite other guys to join you. Speak to Tim Summers or email tbsummers062@gmail.com for more info.

Women

Breakfast Potluck

Come enjoy fantastic food and fellowship on Saturday, May 17 from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m. at Jacque's home (see church directory for address). Bring a friend or two and a dish to share. You are welcome to bring your own food if you are on a special diet. If you haven't connected with women in the church, this event is for you. We hope you will join us! Please RSVP at the table in the patio area this morning.

Bible Study

Please join us Wednesdays from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. in the Worship Center. This is a wonderful time to connect with more women at SCBC. Our current study is *Jonah* by Priscilla Shirer. Each participant must purchase their book. Books are available online at Amazon and Christian Book Distributors. Email Women@StoneCreekBibleChurch.org for more details or to ask about childcare.

Group 60 Senior Adult Ministry

Join us Sunday, May 4 for lunch at Manuel's Mexican Restaurant (1111 W. Bell Rd. #1 Phoenix 85023) at 1:00 p.m. This is a great opportunity for senior adults to join together for friendship and fellowship. **Please RSVP by Wednesday, April 30** to Paula Moen, or you may RSVP by email to Info@StoneCreekBibleChurch.org if you are planning to attend so that the proper amount of seating may be reserved.

Do You Know a Graduate?

Is your student graduating from high school or college this year? Are you graduating from college? Or, did you recently graduate? If you answered yes to any of these questions or for more information, email Anne@StoneCreekBibleChurch.org. Please include the graduate's name and school that they are graduating or graduated from in the email. We will be honoring all of our graduates during the 9:00 a.m. service on Sunday, May 18.

Playlists on Our YouTube Channel

We have been posting our Sunday services on YouTube for four years now, so there are a couple hundred sermons on there. We have many of those sermons sorted in Playlists now. We have whole books: 1 Corinthians, Colossians, 1 Thessalonians, Titus, James, Hosea and 2 Chronicles. We have sermons grouped by subject, like Important Spiritual Practices, Practical Help for Everyday Life, Ways Christians Should Become Different, Being a Witness for Jesus, and more. If you want some extra biblical truth in your life, maybe replace a time you listen to other media, with listening to sermons. On YouTube, go to Stone Creek Bible Church channel, and click Playlists.

Help Stock Our Food Pantry

Our cupboards are becoming bare from helping many people over the past couple of weeks. We have given food out to five to seven individuals a week who are having a hard time, many of them are homeless. When you go to the grocery store next, please pick up a few items for our food pantry. The pantry allows us to help, and it also guarantees they get food (when we give food cards, who knows what they buy). Bring the items below back next week and place them in the collection bin located in the patio area. You may also give a monetary donation above and beyond your regular giving, and we will shop for food items as needed. Please make sure to write "Food Pantry" on the memo line of your check or giving envelope.

Pantry food items needed: Canned meat products (chicken, beef, pork, Vienna sausages, Spam), canned pastas with meat, canned chili with meat, granola or protein bars, canned fruits and vegetables (buy things you would like to eat), bottled fruit juices (100% juice in plastic bottles), jelly, and can openers. **Canned food with pull-off lids is especially helpful** when we are giving food to homeless people. Thank you for your donations and support!

Stamps for Vets

We are collecting postage stamps for the veterans at the Tucson-Southern Arizona VA Medical Center for their Stamp Club. The veterans love it and it keeps them busy. These are not new stamps – it's stamps off of mail that people receive (not the bulk rate stamp, but a physical postage stamp). There will be a collection box on the table in the patio area on Sunday mornings. Questions? Call/text Jan Logan or email Info@StoneCreekBibleChurch.org.

SCBC Mission

Stone Creek Bible Church exists to develop fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ by reaching people where they are, equipping them with biblical tools for living, and mobilizing them to be servants that reach out to others.

As individual followers of Jesus Christ, we cultivate life's most important relationships... with God, with family, and with those around us.

- ***Growing relationships with Jesus Christ***
- ***Cultivating loving relationships within the body of Christ***
- ***Relationships with family members, which honor Christ***
- ***Reaching people for Christ through caring relationships***

See our website, www.StoneCreekBibleChurch.org, for scriptural support.

Finances/Giving

	Last week:	Fiscal Year to Date Total: (Sept. 1 st - Aug. 31 st)
Budget:	\$6,900	\$234,700
Offering:	\$4,976	\$192,604
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We have two electronic giving options: **automatic bank account debits and Zelle**. See the Give tab on our website for more info.

KidZone: 9:00 a.m. service: Infants and young toddlers (under 2) should be brought directly to room 7. Children 2 years through 3rd grade, after signing in at the KidZone table, will go into the Worship Center until after communion. Then, they will be dismissed to their classrooms. 4th, 5th & 6th grade students will be dismissed to their classroom after singing.

10:45 a.m. service: All children should be signed in at the KidZone table located on the east end of the patio area before service; then bring your child into the Worship Center with you for the opening song and communion. After communion, your child will be dismissed to classroom 7. We will offer a simple multi-age class for the older children.

Jr. High & Sr. High: Join us Sunday mornings for the regular worship service at 9:00 a.m. or 10:45 a.m. Also, join us tonight at 6:30 p.m. in room 1 with other students, to learn, have discussion, and have fun. Invite your friends to join you! For more information, email Anne@StoneCreekBibleChurch.org.

Would You Like to Receive Weekly Emails from the Church?

Each week we send out a weekly email that contains immediate upcoming church events and updates, serving opportunities as well as a link to that week's sermon in case you missed it. Email Info@StoneCreekBibleChurch.org, including your name and email address if you would like to be included in this weekly email.

Do You Have a Need?

Food

If financial times are tough and you need food assistance or you know someone in need of food, please email Info@StoneCreekBibleChurch.org.

If you have a need that you think someone in the church body can fulfill

Please communicate with us. If you are part of a group, let your group members know your need, in case someone wants to and can help. You can also email Info@StoneCreekBibleChurch.org and let us know your need; we'll see if we can find a way to take care of it.

If you want to talk, want prayer, or want a visit

Pastor Christian is available if you just want to talk or want prayer. Email him at Christian@StoneCreekBibleChurch.org - ask for a phone appointment, let him know when you can talk and how urgent it is, give your phone number.

If you would like a visit from an elder, please email Elders@StoneCreekBibleChurch.org.

Welcome to



Sunday, April 27, 2025

Ministry Contacts:

Groups	Christian@StoneCreekBibleChurch.org	
Tech/Praise Team	Jen Gaylor	
KidZone Ministry	Anne Forseth	Anne@StoneCreekBibleChurch.org
• Comfort Zone - Nursery	LaTanya McCarron	
• Discovery Zone - Preschool	Anne Forseth	
• Adventure Zone 1: (K - 1)	Anne Forseth	
• Adventure Zone 2: (2 - 4)	Alura Howe	
• C.O.D.E. 56: (5 - 6)	Anne Forseth	
Jr. & Sr. High Ministry	Anne Forseth	Anne@StoneCreekBibleChurch.org

Email Info@StoneCreekBibleChurch.org for the following ministries:

• Women's Ministry	Becky Wright
• Men's Ministry	Tim Summers
• Prayer Ministry	Lizzi Neylon
• Fix-It Ministry	Info@StoneCreekBibleChurch.org
• Hospitality Ministry	Gwen Steinle
• Usher Ministry	Terry Amerine
• Landscape Ministry	Marc Horne
• Sewing/Quilting Ministry	Angie Collett
• Food Pantry	Harold & Jan Logan
• Sunday Squad	Steve Noder

Pastor Christian Sanich Christian@StoneCreekBibleChurch.org

Missions Committee: Missions@StoneCreekBibleChurch.org

Elder Board: Elders@StoneCreekBibleChurch.org

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Service Times: 9:00 AM (in person and livestream)

10:45 AM (in person)

Go to StoneCreekBibleChurch.org for more details.

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BIBLE READING CHALLENGE

We need to learn more of the word of God than just what we get in Sunday sermons. So if you don't have a weekly Bible reading plan, how about reading **the books of Job and Ecclesiastes** over the next few months.

Both of these books challenge popular thinking/philosophies, which is sometimes worldly thinking but sometimes is thinking among Christians. In both of these books, as you read, look for ways of thinking/philosophies that are still around today. What does the book you are reading have to say (it may not say it until the end) that opposes those philosophies? Also, from what you know of the New Testament, what does God's word teach that opposes those philosophies? If you don't know, maybe talk to a Bible-knowledgable Christian friend about it.

Here is a little more on Job. Job is about a man who suffers greatly. People often bring up Job in the conversation about why there is suffering. But ultimately, it's about a godly person's journey with suffering that seems unfair, his perspective on God, and others' perspectives on God. Probably the most fascinating parts of Job are at the beginning and the end. Pay close attention to the details in those parts. Honestly, in the middle, some of the dialogue can get wearisome, but try to pay attention to the reading focus.

On YouTube, there are animated videos done by BibleProject that can help you understand the book as a whole, which in turn can help you understand the parts. On YouTube, search Book of Job Summary, and Book of Ecclesiastes Summary; the videos are by BibleProject. It might be helpful to watch these video before you read each book and even periodically review the video.

You can target reading six or seven days, but saying five days gives some room for missing. We usually like to say plan on reading and thinking for five minutes, because saying five minutes keeps you from thinking you don't have time for it. If you spend about 5 minutes per day reading a small section and reflecting on it, and you do this for five days a week, it could take you three months or five months, depending on how much time you take to process while reading.

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If you would like a tool to help you with deciding what portion to read each day, with interpreting, and with application, we have bookmarks which contain help on those things, as well as help with prayer. Pick one up in the loaner-Bible stand, at the back of the worship center.

If you don't have another way you teach your kids the Bible, each day you read, share with your kids the Bible passage (in an age-appropriate way) and have a discussion about what you learned.

Stone Creek Bible Church
Partner Missionary

Update & Prayer Requests

Walter Marvin Otieno

Sound Doctrine Ministry Training Academy

In Uganda, the majority of the population claims to be Christian, and there are thousands of churches. But most of the Christians are very immature, or even misled, because they are not being taught the truth of the word of God. The majority of pastors in Uganda have had bad theology passed to them and poor Bible interpretation practices, so they desperately need training. The pastors don't have access to good training nor the money to afford training. Volunteer teachers, who are graduates of Sound Doctrine, who are overseen by Walter, travel to various villages to train pastors. Over the course of one year, the pastors get trained in good Bible interpretation principles, sound theology, good biblical preaching practices, and other practical theologies of leadership, family, and finances. Sound Doctrine Ministry Training Academy has graduated 1,731 ministers in seven years.

A few months into the new school year, there are 48 centers running, with 1,231 students attending. It is the rainy season in Uganda, which brings certain challenges. All of the centers are in villages, which usually means dirt roads, which in this season means mud roads. It makes it difficult for students and teachers to get to classes. It is also a season for more mosquitoes, which means more malaria in families. That also affects attendance.

Walter's 70-year-old mom just had a major surgery, removing an 11 pound mass. His brother died, and they don't know the cause yet. He was just found dead in his house. He leaves behind a wife and three children. One of the volunteer teachers, Odoi Moses, is having severe stomach issues that they haven't been able to diagnose. He hasn't been able to teach or pastor. Walter is having a hard time with all of this.

Prayer requests and other information on the backside.



Prayer requests:

- Teachers and students to stay committed throughout the year, and able to get to class
- Favor on the volunteer teachers, and God's provision for them
- For the health issues mentioned on the front side, and Walter being able to emotionally/mentally deal
- Walter's family - wife, Lydia, and four children - especially for peace and unity among them
- Walter to take good care of all aspects of his life - personal relationship with God, husband, father, sleep, health
- People who God wants to contribute to this ministry would respond to the prompting to give

Thank you for your prayers and support. There are hundreds of ministers in Uganda praising God for you.

1. If you want to participate in Sound Doctrine through giving, you can write a check, give cash, or donate electronically. Make checks payable to Stone Creek Bible Church. See the website or office staff for electronic giving options. However you give, put in the memo: "Sound Doctrine, Uganda."

2. If you want to know more, please spend 10 minutes reading and listening to more information about the Sound Doctrine Ministry Training Academy on the church website, StoneCreekBibleChurch.org, click on Missions, or scan this QR.



3. If you would like to receive periodic email updates and prayer requests, email Christian@StoneCreekBibleChurch.org to get on the distribution list.