

THE B4 MONTHLY MAY 2021

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ABOUT

BAPTISM?



Water baptism is a beautifully symbolic and public declaration of one's faith in Christ. However, it can also feel a little odd or even scary, especially when we don't fully understand it. Even so, it is something Jesus instructs us to do when we begin following him.

If you believe baptism is the next step in your faith journey (or if you'd simply like help deciding if it is), we would love to connect with you. If you or your child are interested, you can sign up on our website to receive more information. We will be doing baptisms during our services on May 13th and 16th, so please sign up soon if you're interested. If you have any questions, please email Jamie Lilley at jlilley@b4church.org.

COMING THIS SUMMER

A look quick overview of our summer line up:

Coffee in the Courtyard

K-5th Hangouts

Food Truck Nights

Youth For the City

...and more!

MAY 2

LOVING OUR REFUGEE NEIGHBOR

10 am | South Building, Family Discipleship Center

The plight of global refugees invites a biblical response. Donn and Elizabeth Jones from the PDX Friends of Refugees organization will address the crisis, offering tangible suggestions for how we can love refugees in our community. To register for this event or to find out more, please visit our website. If you have any questions, please email Bethany Woodard at bwoodard@b4church.org.

MAY 3

COURSE | DIVING INTO THE WORLD OF LEVITICUS

Mondays at 6:30 pm | North Building in The Loft

If you want to learn more about the world of the Bible, join us for Diving into the World of Leviticus. This five-week course, taught by Pastors Mark Nicklas and Steve Mitchell, takes a deep dive into the life and culture of the ancient Israelite people and their neighboring nations. To register for this course or for more information, please visit our website. If you have any questions, please email Ashleigh Rich at arich@b4church.org.

MAY 6

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

Regular Thursday Service 6:30 pm

Since 1956, our country has honored the National Day of Prayer. We encourage you to take a moment on this day to pray for our country, our leaders, and our world. We also invite you to celebrate by joining us for our regular Thursday evening service. For more information on our weekly services please visit our website.

MAY 6

COURSE | CONNECTING WITH GOD

Thurs. at 6:30 pm | North Building, Room N 230

If you're a new Christian or are looking for new ways to draw closer to God, join us for this four-week course. We'll explore practical ways that can help you connect with God in everyday life through spiritual practices like prayer, rest, and solitude. To register or for more information, please visit our website. If you have questions, please email Ashleigh Rich at arich@b4church.org.

MAY 12

PRIME TIMERS | LUNCHEON

11 am | North Building in The Commons

Prime Timers is a gathering of those 55 and older who meet to share a meal, fellowship, and worship. Reservations are required, so please call Carolyn Hanson at 503.475.6042 to reserve your space.

MAY 13 - MAY 30

REFUGEE CARE COLLECTIVE

During services | North Building in The Commons

Our church is supporting the work of the Refugee Care Collective by creating kits that help families who recently resettled in the Portland area. These "Restart Kits" are a way to welcome new families and equip them with much-needed items, focusing on those for babies. To participate, bring any of the items listed below to The Commons during any of our services from May 13 - May 30. We also encourage you to include a hand-written welcome note! If you want more information, please email Bethany Woodard at bwoodard@b4church.org.

- Diapers (any size)
- Baby Wipes
- New Small Baby Items (onesies, rattles, pacifiers, etc.)

MAY 13 + 16

WATER BAPTISMS

During our services | Auditorium

Baptism is a public declaration of faith in Jesus and a commitment to follow him. Our Adult Ministries Team can help you determine if you're ready to make this the next step on your journey. They can also help prepare you once you decide to be baptized. If you think you may ready for baptism, you can register on our website to learn more about it for yourself or your child(ren). If you have any questions, please email Jamie Lilley at jlilley@b4church.org.

MAY 16

YOUTH FOR THE CITY REGISTRATION OPENS

Register Online Today

This summer we are inviting students and volunteers to make serving others the focus of camp. Youth For The City is summer camp re-imagined. If you are interested or are looking for more information, please visit b4church.org/youthforthecity. If you have any questions, please email Jessica DeBolt at jdebolt@b4church.org.

MAY 16

BABY DEDICATION ORIENTATION

9 am | N 230

Begin your parenting journey with the end in mind. Baby dedication is a meaningful symbol of a parent's desire to raise their child in the way of Jesus while partnering with our church community. If you are interested in dedicating your child or would like more information, please visit our website under "Parenting Resources". If you have any questions, please email Kris Hines at khines@b4church.org.

MAY 24

GRIEFSHARE | SPRING + SUMMER GATHERINGS

Every other Monday at 6:30 pm | N 230

If you are experiencing grief after the loss of a loved one, we invite you to our spring and summer gatherings, held every other Monday, May 24 - July 19. These informal gatherings are an extension of the GriefShare program. Whether you have already been involved in GriefShare or not, you're welcome to join us. If you have any questions, please contact us at griefshare@b4church.org.

MAY 24-26

PRIME TIMERS | SPRING RETREAT

Cannon Beach Conference Center

Our Prime Timers are invited to a time away at the beach. Join us for some relaxation, connecting with others, and spending time with God. We are also looking forward to hearing from Pastors Dan and Sharon Gill. To register, please contact Carolyn Hanson 503.475.6042 or you can sign up at the Prime Timers Luncheon on May 12.

JUNE 6

B4KIDS OPEN HOUSE

12:15 pm | South Building + East Building

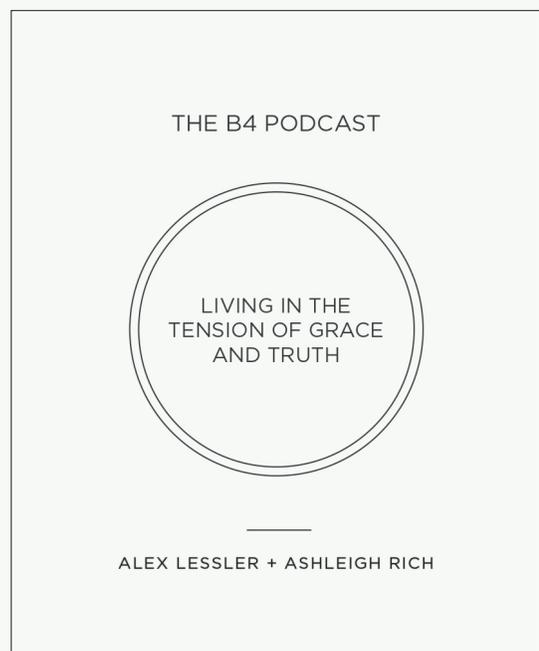
As we prepare to promote kids entering K - 5th grade to their new grade levels on June 20, we invite parents and their kids to an open house where they can explore their new space and meet their kids' pastors. Whether you have never been to B4Kids, have been attending church in person, or are still considering when you will return, this open house is a great way to help both parents and kids become more familiar with our spaces and teams. Between 12:15 and 1:15 pm, we invite you to explore our spaces, connect with us, and take a self-guided tour. If you have any questions, email your age level leader or Kris Hines at khines@b4church.org. Registration is not required.

JUNE 16

A MEN'S EVENT

7 pm | Auditorium

We invite men of all ages to join us for a night with Pastors Brad Williams and Keith Jenkins. In addition to keeping it real, we are excited to announce future men's events and groups. If you have any questions, please email Pastor Larry White at lwhite@b4church.org.



THE B4 PODCAST: LIVING IN THE TENSION OF TRUTH AND GRACE

This series tackles the tougher topics you're faced with everyday. It explores the question: How do you follow Jesus faithfully into the places and spaces where grace lives in tension with truth? Check it out as our hosts take on applicable challenges with each episode. Subscribe to the B4 Podcast on Apple, Spotify, and YouTube to never miss an episode.

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MAY BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS

THE DIVINE CONSPIRACY by Dallas Willard

This Christian classic on discipleship uses Jesus' Sermon on the Mount to highlight how counter-cultural Jesus' message really is. This book outlines how the teaching of Jesus can become part of your daily life and build your faith.

THE SEVEN PRINCIPLES FOR MAKING MARRIAGE WORK by John Gottman

Gottman boils a lifetime of research into seven basic principles that can be applied in the marriage relationship but many also spill over into other relationships. This book provides practical advice and even suggested activities to help address the most common problem areas in marriages.

MAY BOOK DISCUSSION GROUPS

If you are looking to meet others at B4, join us for one of our three short-term, book discussion groups that launch in May.

Tuesdays | 1 - 2 pm | Love Does
Thursdays | 6:30 - 7:30 pm | Soul Keeping

For more information, or to sign up for a group, please check out our website at b4church.org/groups. If you have any questions, please email CarolAnne Tsai at ctsai@b4church.org.

You can check out books on our virtual library at b4church.org/resources.

** Events and groups subject to change. Please check our website at b4church.org for the most up to date information.**

WEEKLY AT B4:

WEEKLY LIVE SERVICE IN-PERSON + ONLINE •

Thursdays, 6:30 pm, Sundays, 9:00 + 11:00 am

B4KIDS BIRTH - 5TH GRADE • Sundays, 9:00 + 11:00 am (South Building + East Building)

**Registration Required*

MIDDLE SCHOOL •

Sundays, 9:00 + 11:00 am (Gym)

B4 CULTURE CONNECT •

Sundays, 10:00 am (Loft)

GRIEFSHARE •

Every other Monday at 6:30 pm (N.230)

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY • Tuesdays, 6:00 am (N.230)

TUESDAY PLAYTIME • Tuesdays, 9:00 am (Gym)

HIGH SCHOOL • Tuesdays, 7:00 pm (Gym)

MIDDLE SCHOOL MIDWEEK •

Tuesdays, 7:00 pm (Loft)

YOUNG ADULTS • Wednesdays, 6:30 pm (Loft)

CELEBRATE RECOVERY •

Thursdays, 6:30 pm (Loft)

MEN WITH BIBLES • Thursdays,

6:55 pm (East Building)

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FOR YOUR
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The best way to give is online, just scan the QR Code. It's safe and secure, but if you prefer to mail a check, you can send it to B4Church at:

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