

WELCOME TO BMZ CHURCH

Love Letter from John

MESSAGE NOTES | Love or Death | September 3, 2023 | Pastor Stan Pegram

1 JOHN 3:10 = So now we can tell who are children of God and who are children of the devil. Anyone who does not live righteously and does not love other believers does not belong to God.

Four Possible Levels of Relationship:

1 JOHN 3:11 = This is the message you have heard from the beginning: We should love one another.

#1 = _____

1 JOHN 3:12 = We must not be like Cain, who belonged to the evil one and killed his brother. And why did he kill him? Because Cain had been doing what was evil, and his brother had been doing what was righteous.

1 JOHN 3:13 = So don't be surprised, dear brothers and sisters, if the world hates you.

#2 = _____

1 JOHN 3:14-15 = If we love our brothers and sisters who are believers, it proves that we have passed from death to life. But a person who has no love is still dead. ¹⁵Anyone who hates another brother or sister is really a murderer at heart. And you know that murderers don't have eternal life within them.

1 JOHN 3:16 = We know what real love is because Jesus gave up his life for us. So we also ought to give up our lives for our brothers and sisters.

#3 = _____

1 JOHN 3:17 = If someone has enough money to live well and sees a brother or sister in need but shows no compassion—how can God's love be in that person?

1 JOHN 3:18 = Dear children, let's not merely say that we love each other; let us show the truth by our actions.

#4 = Christ-Like _____

3 Blessings from Showing the Truth: 1 JOHN 3:19-20 = Our actions will show that we belong to the truth, so we will be confident when we stand before God. ²⁰Even if we feel guilty, God is greater than our feelings, and he knows everything.

- **Confidence** 1 JOHN 3:21-22 = Dear friends, if we don't feel guilty, we can come to God with bold confidence. ²²And we will receive from him whatever we ask because we obey him and do the things that please him.

- **Answered** _____ 1 JOHN 3:23-24 = And this is his commandment: We must believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and love one another, just as he commanded us. ²⁴Those who obey God's commandments remain in fellowship with him, and he with them. And we know he lives in us because the Spirit he gave us lives in us.

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----- Please complete the 2-sided Connection Card below, tear it off, and place it in the basket at the end of Worship -----

CONNECTION CARD

TIME/CAMPUS

- Bloomington 9:00am
- Boscobel 7:30am
- Boscobel 9:00am
- Gays Mills 9:15am
- Mt. Zion 11:00am
- North Clayton 10:30am
- Soldiers Grove 8:15am

AGE 17 & under 18-35 36-65 66+

I'M A 1st time guest 2nd time guest
 regular attender member

HOW I HEARD ABOUT BMZ CHURCH:



Change of information

Name(s): _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Preferred Phone: (____) _____ Birthday: ____/____/____

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- I will read 1 John and Hebrews 11
- I will practice love this week by paying attention to the needs of others

STEWARDSHIP |

1 JOHN 3:24 = *Those who obey God's commandments remain in fellowship with him, and he with them. And we know he lives in us because the Spirit he gave us lives in us.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS | Find out more at BMZChurch.org | Office: 608-375-4565 | Children's Ministry: 608-375-6069



1st TIME GUEST? WELCOME! Remember to grab your **FREE Unshakable** book as you leave today



KIDzKARE | 9:00am Sunday Worship, Boscobel Campus
For infants through 4 years old when staffing is available
BMZ KIDz | 9:00am Sunday Worship | Boscobel Campus
For kids 5 years through Grade 5 when staffing is available
This is a fun way to serve! Contact Ms. Nikki at WNSS.Nikki@BMZChurch.org or 608-375-6069



SHARE YOUR IDEA
BMZ Church will be rebranding in the near future! We are excited to find a *new name* that better reflects our multiple campus locations and church as a whole. We are collecting ideas for this new name, so if you have one to share, email it to Dawn.Merge@BMZChurch.org or call the office. Please pray as God continues to lead us forward in reaching to our local communities and world for Him!



ADULT MISSION TRIP | October 21-28 | Bear Branch, KY
Opportunities for adults of all ages to help from construction to community to working with children through Big Creek Missions. The cost will be about \$400 per person. Contact Diane Foreyt at 608-822-5675 for more information



REGIONAL WORSHIP | North Clayton | Sept 17 @ 11:00am
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Regular Worship times will not be held at the Gays Mills, North Clayton, or Soldiers Grove campuses one those days



DAD'S BELGIAN WAFFLES | Sept 19 | Mt. Zion Campus
Serving from 4:30-7pm. Advance tickets: Adults \$8, School age \$5, under 5 years FREE. Add \$1 at the door. Advance tickets available at the church office, after Worship at Boscobel and Mt. Zion, and from some Mt. Zion attenders. Carry-outs available



WNSS Wednesday Night Sunday School-Boscobel
NEW TIME! Wednesdays* from 5:45pm – 7:00pm @ Boscobel Campus
--- Returning September 20 with a block party! ---
For ages 4K through Grade 6. Register at BMZChurch.org/Learn *Canceled whenever Boscobel Area Schools close due to weather or scheduled break



BIBLE SUNDAY | Oct 22 | Boscobel Campus @ 9am Worship
Each year, BMZ gives each 3rd Grader their own Bible! If your 3rd Grade or above student has not yet been given a Bible, contact Ms. Nikki at 608-375-6069 by October 4



QUILTING | Nov. 19 12:30-5:30pm | Boscobel Campus
Bring your sewing machine loaded with neutral color thread (tan, gray). Don't sew? You can help to cut fabric and press seams. We are also looking for donations of kid's fabric (and/or borders to match) and batting...these can be dropped off at the church office. Monetary donations toward these items are appreciated, too



CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED | Monday, September 4
Happy Labor Day!

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, 9:00am - 1:30pm

Stay In the Know, No Matter Where You Go!
Text BMZ to 844-247-4441 | Scan for this week's BLTN



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I'D LIKE TO KNOW MORE ABOUT (Include your contact info on the front of card)

- Becoming a Follower
- Automated Giving
- Serving
- Other:

PRAYER REQUESTS AND COMMENTS:

Include my prayer request on the prayer list: YES NO