

# SENIORLINK NEWS

Brentwood Baptist Church | 7777 Concord Road, Brentwood, TN 37027

**FEBRUARY 2025**

## SPEND AN EVENING WITH "THE RICHEST MAN IN THE WORLD"

By Bob Jones

Singer songwriter Joe West is the son of Sarge and Shirley West, the first African American Country and Western Duo. He was raised on a healthy diet of traditional country music, rock, folk, blues, and jazz. His performances take you on an amazing musical journey. Described as a cross between Kenny Rogers, James Taylor, Stevie Wonder and Merle Haggard, Joe's music is a recipe for sheer enjoyment.



Currently residing in Nashville, Tennessee, Joe is the house band for the Nashville International Airport and a warm welcome to thousands who visit and call Nashville home. He has had multiple performances at the world-famous Bluebird Café; has had private events at the home of the legendary Naomi Judd; has opened for Keith Urban, Sara Evans, and the Wooten Brothers; and has been a finalist on the Charlie Daniels Round-Up. Joe has performed at other exclusive venues including Third & Lindsley as a special guest of Wendy Moten; The Kennedy Center, Main Stage; Fourth of July celebration on Broadway, downtown Nashville; the Country Music Hall of Fame; and the African American Music Museum, just to name a few.

Joe is a survivor of a dissected aorta and has an incredible story to tell through his life and music. His life is a miracle, and he will tell you himself that he knows he is "the richest man in the world."

Please join us in Wilson Hall for the SeniorLink Dinner on February 20th at 5:30 PM for an amazing musical journey with Joe West, "the richest man in the world." And don't forget to bring a friend. See you there.

## ON THE CALENDAR

### FEBRUARY 2025

**SeniorLink Leadership Team**  
Monday, February 10, 9:30 AM  
Room 2006, Connection Center

**SeniorLink Fellowship Dinner**  
Thursday, February 20, 5:30 PM  
Wilson Hall, Cost \$15.00  
R.S.V.P. by Sunday, February 16  
at 5:00PM  
Online at *Brentwood.Church*

## FEBRUARY MENU

### SeniorLink Dinner

Meatloaf  
Mashed potatoes  
Vegetable (chef's choice)  
Salad bar with a variety of dressings  
Rolls  
Brownies  
Water/tea/coffee

## PUT ON YOUR TRAVELING SHOES - WE'RE GOING TO MYRTLE BEACH

This year's overnight SeniorLink trip is a grand show trip to beautiful Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. Here is the information you need to know.

- The trip is scheduled for April 7 to April 12: 5 nights and 6 days.
- The cost of this fabulous trip is \$795 double occupancy or \$1004 for a single room. \$75 down payment is due at sign-up.
- This is a show trip! We will see 5 shows: The Iconic Show at the Alabama Theatre, The Man of 1000 Voices, Legends in Concert, Le Grand Cirque's Adrenaline Show, and Music and Memories.
- We will also visit Myrtle Beach Boardwalk and Promenade, Barefoot Landing, Broadway at the Beach, and L.W. Paul's Living History Farm.
- The trip includes motorcoach transportation, 3 nights at a Myrtle Beach hotel, 5 breakfasts, and 3 dinners.

To get on-board for this fun trip, call Tom and Pearl Vasser at 615-776-2853 or 615-830-6255 or e-mail us at [tomvasser@yahoo.com](mailto:tomvasser@yahoo.com).

## COORDINATOR'S

### CORNER

It is now the year of our Lord Two Thousand Twenty-Five. How did that happen? One of the things that my dad told me is how much faster time flies when you get older. (Amen!). So let's have a conversation about this year.

We have a great line up of entertainment planned for the whole year; there will be many opportunities to get involved or help in several ways this year (Just ask us!); and we have an "overnight" trip planned this April. And, more trips will be announced later.

Planning is so critical for any organization, and we have such a great group of folks who serve on the SeniorLink Leadership team. As we plan for the next year, 2026, we want to hear from you!

We are always open to suggestions that may be of interest to our fine group: From entertainment to menu suggestions to trips to events that we as a group can do to help Brentwood Baptist.

As we are one quarter of the way through 2000, I am looking forward to what God will do in each of our lives and how He will move with us in our SeniorLink ministry.

## MEDITATION MOMENT *By Richard Carnes*

**Spiritual Hydration:** Many spiritual functions parallel physical functions. As our bodies hunger and thirst, so do our souls. But our souls need spiritual food and water. The woman at the well confused the two kinds of water Jesus spoke of, perhaps because no one had ever talked with her about her spiritual hunger and thirst before. We would not think of depriving our bodies of the daily food and water needed when we hunger or thirst. Why, then, should we deprive our souls? We must hydrate daily with the living Word, Jesus Christ, and the written Word, the Bible, to satisfy our hungry and thirsty souls. (Life Application Study Bible)

## DARKNESS IS THE ABSENCE OF LIGHT

*By: Lorraine Quist*

As you entered our church on Christmas Eve for our annual Candlelight service, you picked up an already assembled candle from one of the tables. Did you wonder who prepared these candles? This is another service opportunity of our SeniorLink Ministry. When all the lights were turned off and



the sanctuary was dark, the first lit candle caused the darkness to disappear. When everyone held their now lit candles, light filled the sanctuary. Around 5,000 candles were assembled by 20-plus members of our SeniorLink Ministry in under two enjoyable, talkative hours.



## IS IT REALLY 2025?

*By Ben Davis*

## CHRISTMAS BAGS FOR COPPER BASIN RECAP

*By: Linda True*

Thanks to everyone for participating in the Christmas Bag project for Copper Basin. A recap of your participation: We sent 540 filled-to-the-brim Christmas bags and \$1,270 in gas cards. I am sure this is going to make a great number of children happy.

## FEBRUARY HUMOR



## OUR SENIORS WERE FILLED WITH CHRISTMAS SPIRIT AT FIDDLE DEE FARM

*By: Tom Vasser*

Senior travelers from Brentwood Baptist and its satellite campuses had a Christmas smile on their faces, a Christmas song on their lips, and the spirit of Christmas in their hearts after visiting the "We Need a Lot of Christmas" variety show at Fiddle Dee Farm in Greenbrier, Tennessee, on December 3. Fifty-four excited seniors enjoyed a variety show that included creative and hilarious skits performed by the award-winning magician Bruce Amato, and a stage full of singers and dancers that sang and danced to traditional Christmas songs. The high energy choreography included 40 favorite Christmas tunes and 12 costume changes. Pick your favorite Christmas melody, and it was certainly performed by these beautiful and talented actors. It was challenging to sit still and not sing, hum, or tap your toes. Added to all of this was a delicious meal. The outing was a beautiful opportunity to relive past Christmas experiences and make new ones.

Don't miss out on all the fun! Our next SeniorLink trip will be an overnight adventure to Myrtle Beach in April 2025. See Tom or Pearl Vasser for all the details! (See page 1)