

ComingUp

The new and preferred way to access the RBBC calendar of events is via the Church Center app, or the church website (www.redbridgebaptist.com).



EVERY Red Bridger is asked to download the app. See Jordan or Jessica List if you have questions regarding the RBBC Church Center app.



SMALL GROUPS
MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE

RBBC Small Groups are in the third year of meetings! The Small Group Task Force will not be aware of your interest in participating in this ministry unless you let it be known. Those interested in being part of a Small Group can express this through the Church Center app.

Weekly Prayer Times:

Men: Tuesdays, 7 AM, Yth. Bldg.
Ladies: Wednesdays, 10 AM, Conf. Rm.
Churchwide: Wednesdays, 6:30 PM, Aud.

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52 Week Bible Reading Plan

Week	Epistles (Sunday)	The Law (Monday)	History (Tuesday)	Psalms (Wednesday)	Poetry (Thursday)	Prophecy (Friday)	Gospels (Saturday)
1	<input type="checkbox"/> Rom 1-2	<input type="checkbox"/> Gen 1-3	<input type="checkbox"/> Josh 1-5	<input type="checkbox"/> Ps 1-2	<input type="checkbox"/> Job 1-2	<input type="checkbox"/> Isa 1-6	<input type="checkbox"/> Matt 1-2
2	<input type="checkbox"/> Rom 3-4	<input type="checkbox"/> Gen 4-7	<input type="checkbox"/> Josh 6-10	<input type="checkbox"/> Ps 3-5	<input type="checkbox"/> Job 3-4	<input type="checkbox"/> Isa 7-11	<input type="checkbox"/> Matt 3-4
3	<input type="checkbox"/> Rom 5-6	<input type="checkbox"/> Gen 8-11	<input type="checkbox"/> Josh 11-15	<input type="checkbox"/> Ps 6-8	<input type="checkbox"/> Job 5-6	<input type="checkbox"/> Isa 12-17	<input type="checkbox"/> Matt 5-7
4	<input type="checkbox"/> Rom 7-8	<input type="checkbox"/> Gen 12-15	<input type="checkbox"/> Josh 16-20	<input type="checkbox"/> Ps 9-11	<input type="checkbox"/> Job 7-8	<input type="checkbox"/> Isa 18-22	<input type="checkbox"/> Matt 8-10
5	<input type="checkbox"/> Rom 9-10	<input type="checkbox"/> Gen 16-19	<input type="checkbox"/> Josh 21-24	<input type="checkbox"/> Ps 12-14	<input type="checkbox"/> Job 9-10	<input type="checkbox"/> Isa 23-28	<input type="checkbox"/> Matt 11-13
6	<input type="checkbox"/> Rom 11-12	<input type="checkbox"/> Gen 20-23	<input type="checkbox"/> Judg 1-6	<input type="checkbox"/> Ps 15-17	<input type="checkbox"/> Job 11-12	<input type="checkbox"/> Isa 29-33	<input type="checkbox"/> Matt 14-16
7	<input type="checkbox"/> Rom 13-14	<input type="checkbox"/> Gen 24-27	<input type="checkbox"/> Judg 7-11	<input type="checkbox"/> Ps 18-20	<input type="checkbox"/> Job 13-14	<input type="checkbox"/> Isa 34-39	<input type="checkbox"/> Matt 17-19
8	<input type="checkbox"/> Rom 15-16	<input type="checkbox"/> Gen 28-31	<input type="checkbox"/> Judg 12-16	<input type="checkbox"/> Ps 21-23	<input type="checkbox"/> Job 15-16	<input type="checkbox"/> Isa 40-44	<input type="checkbox"/> Matt 20-22
9	<input type="checkbox"/> 1Cor 1-2	<input type="checkbox"/> Gen 32-35	<input type="checkbox"/> Judg 17-21	<input type="checkbox"/> Ps 24-26	<input type="checkbox"/> Job 17-18	<input type="checkbox"/> Isa 45-50	<input type="checkbox"/> Matt 23-25
10	<input type="checkbox"/> 1Cor 3-4	<input type="checkbox"/> Gen 36-39	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruth	<input type="checkbox"/> Ps 27-29	<input type="checkbox"/> Job 19-20	<input type="checkbox"/> Isa 51-55	<input type="checkbox"/> Matt 26-28
11	<input type="checkbox"/> 1Cor 5-6	<input type="checkbox"/> Gen 40-43	<input type="checkbox"/> 1Sam 1-5	<input type="checkbox"/> Ps 30-32	<input type="checkbox"/> Job 21-22	<input type="checkbox"/> Isa 56-61	<input type="checkbox"/> Mark 1-2
12	<input type="checkbox"/> 1Cor 7-8	<input type="checkbox"/> Gen 44-47	<input type="checkbox"/> 1Sam 6-10	<input type="checkbox"/> Ps 33-35	<input type="checkbox"/> Job 23-24	<input type="checkbox"/> Isa 62-66	<input type="checkbox"/> Mark 3-4
13	<input type="checkbox"/> 1Cor 9-10	<input type="checkbox"/> Gen 48-50	<input type="checkbox"/> 1Sam 11-15	<input type="checkbox"/> Ps 36-38	<input type="checkbox"/> Job 25-26	<input type="checkbox"/> Jer 1-6	<input type="checkbox"/> Mark 5-6
14	<input type="checkbox"/> 1Cor 11-12	<input type="checkbox"/> Ex 1-4	<input type="checkbox"/> 1Sam 16-20	<input type="checkbox"/> Ps 39-41	<input type="checkbox"/> Job 27-28	<input type="checkbox"/> Jer 7-11	<input type="checkbox"/> Mark 7-8
15	<input type="checkbox"/> 1Cor 13-14	<input type="checkbox"/> Ex 5-8	<input type="checkbox"/> 1Sam 21-25	<input type="checkbox"/> Ps 42-44	<input type="checkbox"/> Job 29-30	<input type="checkbox"/> Jer 12-16	<input type="checkbox"/> Mark 9-10
16	<input type="checkbox"/> 1Cor 15-16	<input type="checkbox"/> Ex 9-12	<input type="checkbox"/> 1Sam 26-31	<input type="checkbox"/> Ps 45-47	<input type="checkbox"/> Job 31-32	<input type="checkbox"/> Jer 17-21	<input type="checkbox"/> Mark 11-12
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18	<input type="checkbox"/> 2Cor 4-5	<input type="checkbox"/> Ex 17-20	<input type="checkbox"/> 2Sam 5-9	<input type="checkbox"/> Ps 51-53	<input type="checkbox"/> Job 35-36	<input type="checkbox"/> Jer 27-31	<input type="checkbox"/> Mark 15-16
19	<input type="checkbox"/> 2Cor 6-8	<input type="checkbox"/> Ex 21-24	<input type="checkbox"/> 2Sam 10-14	<input type="checkbox"/> Ps 54-56	<input type="checkbox"/> Job 37-38	<input type="checkbox"/> Jer 32-36	<input type="checkbox"/> Luke 1-2
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21	<input type="checkbox"/> 2Cor 11-13	<input type="checkbox"/> Ex 29-32	<input type="checkbox"/> 2Sam 20-24	<input type="checkbox"/> Ps 60-62	<input type="checkbox"/> Job 41-42	<input type="checkbox"/> Jer 42-46	<input type="checkbox"/> Luke 5-6
22	<input type="checkbox"/> Gal 1-3	<input type="checkbox"/> Ex 33-36	<input type="checkbox"/> 1Ki 1-4	<input type="checkbox"/> Ps 63-65	<input type="checkbox"/> Prov 1	<input type="checkbox"/> Jer 47-52	<input type="checkbox"/> Luke 7-8
23	<input type="checkbox"/> Gal 4-6	<input type="checkbox"/> Ex 37-40	<input type="checkbox"/> 1Ki 5-9	<input type="checkbox"/> Ps 66-68	<input type="checkbox"/> Prov 2-3	<input type="checkbox"/> Lamentations	<input type="checkbox"/> Luke 9-10
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27	<input type="checkbox"/> Phil 3-4	<input type="checkbox"/> Lev 10-12	<input type="checkbox"/> 2Ki 1-5	<input type="checkbox"/> Ps 78-80	<input type="checkbox"/> Prov 8-9	<input type="checkbox"/> Ezek 19-24	<input type="checkbox"/> Luke 17-18
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43	<input type="checkbox"/> James 1-3	<input type="checkbox"/> Deut 4-6	<input type="checkbox"/> 2Chr 25-28	<input type="checkbox"/> Ps 122-124	<input type="checkbox"/> Eccl 1-2	<input type="checkbox"/> Habakkuk	<input type="checkbox"/> Acts 9-10
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46	<input type="checkbox"/> 1Pet 4-5	<input type="checkbox"/> Deut 13-15	<input type="checkbox"/> Ezra 1-5	<input type="checkbox"/> Ps 131-133	<input type="checkbox"/> Eccl 7-8	<input type="checkbox"/> Zechariah 1-7	<input type="checkbox"/> Acts 15-16
47	<input type="checkbox"/> 2Pet	<input type="checkbox"/> Deut 16-19	<input type="checkbox"/> Ezra 6-10	<input type="checkbox"/> Ps 134-136	<input type="checkbox"/> Eccl 9-10	<input type="checkbox"/> Zechariah 8-14	<input type="checkbox"/> Acts 17-18
48	<input type="checkbox"/> 1John 1-3	<input type="checkbox"/> Deut 20-22	<input type="checkbox"/> Neh 1-4	<input type="checkbox"/> Ps 137-139	<input type="checkbox"/> Eccl 11-12	<input type="checkbox"/> Malachi	<input type="checkbox"/> Acts 19-20
49	<input type="checkbox"/> 1John 4-5	<input type="checkbox"/> Deut 23-25	<input type="checkbox"/> Neh 5-9	<input type="checkbox"/> Ps 140-142	<input type="checkbox"/> Song 1-2	<input type="checkbox"/> Rev 1-6	<input type="checkbox"/> Acts 21-22
50	<input type="checkbox"/> 2John	<input type="checkbox"/> Deut 26-28	<input type="checkbox"/> Neh 10-13	<input type="checkbox"/> Ps 143-145	<input type="checkbox"/> Song 3-4	<input type="checkbox"/> Rev 7-11	<input type="checkbox"/> Acts 23-24
51	<input type="checkbox"/> 3John	<input type="checkbox"/> Deut 29-31	<input type="checkbox"/> Esther 1-5	<input type="checkbox"/> Ps 146-148	<input type="checkbox"/> Song 5-6	<input type="checkbox"/> Rev 12-17	<input type="checkbox"/> Acts 25-26
52	<input type="checkbox"/> Jude	<input type="checkbox"/> Deut 32-34	<input type="checkbox"/> Esther 6-10	<input type="checkbox"/> Ps 149-150	<input type="checkbox"/> Song 7-8	<input type="checkbox"/> Rev 18-22	<input type="checkbox"/> Acts 27-28

By Pastor Vic Borden

As most know, we are fully engaged in the 2025-26 RBBC Year of Being People of the Book! This theme is being addressed in numerous ways, and will continue through next fall. This includes sermons on bibliology (i.e., the doctrine of the Bible), as well as a churchwide read-through the Word of God in 2026. Additionally, there is the thought/desire/plan of hosting a conference on the Bible sometime in 2026.

A "52 Week Bible Reading Plan" guide (see front panel) has been distributed at church in recent worship services. The plan is for EVERY Red Bridger to read the entire Bible together for a year. A few months ago, Pastor Skrbina and I discussed this particular guide. We both loved it! It's unique in that each day of the week focuses on a different section of Scripture. Each Bible Book is read on the same day of the week. This gives variety in the midst of continuity.

How do we actually go about doing this read-through the Bible? What I mean by "...read the entire Bible together for a year," is that Red Bridgers will be in the same chapters of Scripture at the same time each day/week for a year. You'll notice that the "52 Week Bible Reading Plan" guide begins each week on Sunday. However, January 1, 2026 is a Thursday. So, we will actually begin the read-through on Sunday, January 4, 2026. Of course, that will mean that we spill over a couple of days into 2027, but I don't think that will upset us too much!

A key consideration I want to emphasize regarding the read-through is that families do this together. Cathie and I have committed to one another that this will be a priority in our lives as a couple for 2026. Of course, it's likely that most of us read the Word, discuss theology, pray together, etc., as families. This emphasis is more targeted and involves the entire church (and especially each family) focusing on the same portion of Scripture for an entire year. I want to be quick to add that accepting this challenge/opportunity does NOT make one more spiritual than another. What's more, not participating in this does NOT make one less spiritual than another. It's simply a practical and doable way to saturate ourselves with the inerrant/authoritative Word of God!



I'm the Pastor of most reading this newsletter. I care deeply for your souls. I don't want to give you an easy-out. If you're disinclined to take part in this read-through the Bible in 2026, please at least pray and seek the Lord about this. I'm convinced that this would be God's will for any/all of us (unless providentially hindered from participating).

I would also recommend that you consider designating a particular Bible for your reading in 2026. Cathie and I are going to use the ESV (English Standard Version) translation. I'm not as familiar with the ESV as I am with others, so I thought this would be a good time to become saturated in this good translation. Of course, each family is free to choose any good/formal translation. If you need suggestions on this, please feel free to ask one of your Pastors.

Once again, this is our Year of Being People of the Book! Together, let's read-through the Word of God in 2026!

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AroundRBBC

Future Member:

Judah Michael,
born to Michael & Ashley Phillips
William Charles,
born to Ben & Ellen Saylor

Winter Youth Fellowship Night
Friday, January 2, at RBBC.
RBBC teens will join with teens from other churches, for an evening of worship, training, games, fellowship, and, of course, food!




Just for Fun!
Just for Fun! is a feature in the Vision for the purpose of...well, Just for Fun!

This fall, the Awana T&T ("Truth & Training") Clubs went on a fun-filled bonfire & fishing outing. Addy (pictured) and Addi (not pictured) shared 1st place as they collaborated on a huge catch!



The Insight column is currently focusing on RBBC missionaries.

Guardrails for Christian Missions* By Scott Hudgins

This is the fourth and final article spotlighting **Guardrails for Christian Missions**. The first three guardrails we dealt with were: 1) A Warning Against Embracing Ecumenicism, 2) A Warning Against Encouraging Contextual Theologies, and, 3) A Warning Against Overemphasizing Social Responsibility. In this edition, we will look at **Guardrail #4: A Warning Against Adopting Extreme Contextualization**.



Scott & Kristi Hudgins

Contextualization has been a topic of discussion in missiology since 1972, when it was first introduced at a World Council of Churches consultation. It still proves to be a subject that warrants continued evaluation.

A striking example is shared by Keith Eitel in *MissionShift*, where a missionary in a Hindu region mimicked Hindu temple rituals to gain acceptance (p.30). Though motivated by a desire to be culturally relevant, such actions risk distorting the Gospel itself. This illustrates the danger of extreme contextualization, where cultural forms are adopted so thoroughly that the biblical message becomes unrecognizable. Missionaries who serve in Gospel-resistant areas, like the 10/40 Window, face unique pressures. There, extreme contextualization can seem like a shortcut to avoid persecution or accelerate evangelism. Indian theologian K. Rajendran warns that poorly grounded theological approaches can lead to pluralism and inclusivism, ultimately weakening the church (*Global Missiology for the 21st Century*, p.311). To prevent this, the theological guardrails rooted in Scripture are necessary.

What is contextualization? Missiologist David Hesselgrave offers a working definition: contextualization is about making the biblical message meaningful to those from different cultural or worldview backgrounds (*Paradigms in Conflict*, p.222). **However, this process must be filtered through Scripture, not through culture.** Paul's warning in Galatians 1:6-9, emphasizes that any distortion of the Gospel—even if well-intentioned—is unacceptable. Rajendran encourages the preservation of indigenous cultural forms where possible, but insists that such forms must be evaluated biblically. He cautions against incorporating practices that compromise the core of the Christian faith (*Global Missiology for the 21st Century*, p.314). **A missionary must begin with Scripture and interpret culture through it, not vice versa.** Controversial movements like the *Insider Movement*, which allows Muslim converts to maintain Islamic religious practices (e.g., saying the Shahada with Christian reinterpretation), illustrate how contextualization can veer into syncretism. While some report large numbers of covert believers, these strategies often result in a compromised witness and hinder the development of a bold, faithful church.

In conclusion, Scripture must be the foundation for both the Gospel message and its contextualized delivery. True contextualization combines sound hermeneutics, cultural understanding, and the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Missionaries who engage resistant cultures must remain biblically grounded, Spirit-led, and willing to suffer if necessary for the sake of preserving the Gospel's integrity.

* This article has been adapted from a paper that Scott Hudgins wrote in 2021 for a course at Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary entitled: *Guardrails and Hazards of the Two-Thirds World Missionary Movement*. If you would like to read the full paper, you may request a copy by emailing Missionary Scott Hudgins, at: s.hudgins@mannaworldwide.com.