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Deacon's Meeting

Monday, December 6th 7:00 p.m

Sunday, December 12th

Church Council 5:00 p.m. Church Conference after the 6:00 p.m. Service

Where Faith, Family Flourish and Friends

Wednesdays at Seven



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But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; And you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.

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I love Christmas, As Andy Williams would sing, "It's the most wonderful time of the year"! Christmas brings with it a lot of hustle and bustle to buy those gifts, scrambling to meet with all the family, Christmas decorations to put up, food and candies to make...but the real meaning of Christmas is the baby born in the manger, Jesus Christ our Lord

To help us celebrate the birth of Jesus this month, we have some activities at church to help us keep Christ the center of Christmas.

- Wednesday, December 8 at 7pm, we will have our annual Lottie Moon Soup and Cornbread Supper.
- Thursday, December 9 at 6pm, Deacon/Staff and families Christmas party in the fellowship hall
- Sunday, December 12, In the morning worship service we will host the Baxley Children's home and then have a covered dish lunch following the service
- Sunday, December 12 at 6pm, we will have our Christmas in Song service
- Monday, December 13, A group from our church will go to the Operation Christmas Child processing center in Atlanta.
- Wednesday, December 15 at 7pm, our kids will have their Christmas party in the fellowship hall
- Friday, December 17 at 6:30pm, the Savior Seekers Sunday School class will hold their Christmas party in the fellowship hall
- Sunday, December 19 at 6pm, we will have our Kids Christmas program
- •Friday, December 24 at 5pm, we will have our Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Our goal for our Lottie Moon Christmas Offering is \$15,000. 100% of this offering goes to support the over 3600 International Missionaries and their families that Southern Baptist Churches have all around the world telling people about Jesus. Pray and see how God would have you support this goal.

We have many ways to encourage one another in giving towards our goal.

- 1. Our kids will be collecting change and bills in their "Lottie Jars" after Sunday School and prior to our Morning Worship.
- 2. Another way is Christmas cards. We have put together a list of church members and friends of the church who regularly attend. This list is on the table in the hallway or you can call the office and Mrs. Barb can send you one. You can write a Christmas Card to all or some of those on the list and place them in the Christmas box on the table in the hallway. During the week, I will place the cards alphabetically on the tables and you can pick them up the next time you are at church. Beside the Christmas box for the cards is a "Lottie Moon Post Office" box. In this box you can put the money that you would normally spend to mail your cards.

We are suggesting .25 per card...but give whatever you can, if you can. The last day to drop off Christmas cards in the "Lottie Moon Post Office" will be December 12. The last day to pick up your cards will be December 19. Please take advantage of this opportunity to bring some cheer to your church family and friends and support Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. For those who are homebound, we will make sure they get their cards.

3. In the Sanctuary you will notice a map of the world with Christmas lights. As we move toward the goal, another light will be turned on. Each light represents \$300.

> God Bless, Pastor Richard





HAPPY BIRTHDAY

December 5 Betty Brown
December 5 Emma Harris
December 5 Ryley Harris

December 6 Furman Peebles

December 6 Joyce McDonald December 8 Kameron Bruce

December 9 Marty McKie

December 9 Delane Titshaw

December 10 Rhyer Lavender

December 11 Cassie Sutton

December 15 Susan Bragg

December 15 Nancy Futch

December 15 Maggie McGuinty

December 15 Aimee Hughes
December 16 Johnny Coleman

December 17 Crystal Holt

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December 18 Debbie McDonald
December 18 Don Ramsey
December 19 Carey Harbuck
December 19 Karen Lampp
December 20 Caitlin Helms
December 20 Carol Keene
December 21 Ricky Keene
December 21 Lacey B. McWhorter
December 22 Heather Gaines
December 23 Clarice Morrison
December 24 Nancy King
December 24 Jackie McWhorter
December 24 Mark Harden
December 27 Cindy Bruce

December 30 Wendell Howell

December 30 Scott McGuinty

Happy Anniversary

Dec 7 Josh & Karen Lampp
Dec 19 Susan & Wendell Barwick
Dec 22 Norma Jean & Wendell Howell

Flowers

Dec 5 Rebecca & Jon Garrett

Dec 12 Sherrie Lovett

Dec 19 Katrina & Mike Sutton

Dec 26 Toni & Don Wood



Lottie Moon Soup & Cornbread Supper

December 8th 7:00 p.m. Come Enjoy & Give As God Leads You

Children's **Home Visiting**

December 12th
Lunch To Follow Service

Christmas In Song Noes Stient Might

December 12th
6:00 p.m.
Come Enjoy & Sing Along

Kids Christmas Program

December 19th 6:00 p.m.



Christmas Eve Service

December 24th 5:00 p.m.



MOVE Conference

December 29th-30th Wild Adventures

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thanksgiving".

Merry Christmas!

faith" (Jude 3)

Hazel Chapman Group
December 21 7:00 p.m
in the Fellowship Hall

Brotherhood Breakfast

Mosaic Magazine: When

a woman called "Momma"

in Southeast Asia heard

International Mission Board (IMB) missionaries, she told

her family, "There might be something to this Living God".

Momma has seen miraculous answers to prayer that have

led her and others to the Lord. One miracle involved the

family's valuable pig. If there has ever been an example of

praying expectantly, it is Momma as she prayed a prayer

that changed her village when she wasn't even a baptized

believer. Her story is amazing. May we pray expectantly for

God to make Himself known to people around the world.

May we pray for God to work more miracles in the lives of

people like Momma to bring them and the people around

them to faith in Jesus. During December we will hear more

of Momma's story and stories of IMB missionaries around

the world. Their work cannot happen without the support

of all Southern Baptists through the Lottie Moon Christmas

Offering (LMCO) for International Missions. Each of us

makes the difference in these missionaries' work and the

lives of people like Momma when we pray expectantly and

give generously to the LMCO thereby "...contending for the

When you receive your December Newsletter, we will have

already kicked off our LMCO Emphasis with the blessing of

having Andrew Moffett, an IMB missionary funded through

the LMCO, speak and share with us how God is using him in

Lima, Peru. Our goal for the LMCO this year is \$15,000. May

we please our Heavenly Father through our response to His

unending love and faithfulness to us by praying for His

guidance and our obedience to how much He would have

each of us to give to the LMCO and praying expectantly for

the missionaries that serve Him around the world. For

December's prayer emphasis, let's pray for the IMB

missionaries we will be learning about each Sunday in

December. Let's celebrate the birth of our Savior by giving

generously to the LMCO as our Heavenly Father gave

generously for us through the virgin birth of His only Son,

Jesus, and by our praying expectantly for missionaries to be

a picture of God's comfort to the world in their lives as they,

too, walk through difficult times. Colossians 4:2, "Continue

steadfastly in prayer, being watchful in it with

Bible stories from

Dec 12 9:00 a.m. All Men Are Invited

Men's Ministry

There were 22 men at our November meeting. All enjoyed a delicious meal. Next meeting will be December 12th. All men keep in mind our Men's Conference on February 4th and 5th.

Our Daily Needs

My God shall supply all your needs according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus. Philippians 4:19

God is your all wise, all-powerful, and all-loving heavenly Father who loves you so much. He sacrificed His son for your eternal salvation. After having given so much, you can certainly trust Him to provide everything you need to live from day to day.

Friend, it is God's responsibility to supply what you require. Your duty is to trust Him, obey Him, and keep your focus on Him – not on what you perceive is missing from your life.

Unfortunately, when we shift our attention to what we don't have, we typically try to fulfill our needs on our own. What we pursue is never as good as what the Father has for us, and is usually a sure path to sin.

Therefore, trust the Lord to be the source of everything you need. Keep your eyes' on Him. Whether through opportunities to work, the generosity of others, or His miraculous supply, God not only can, but will, make His provisions available to you. It is His character to be faithful – so have faith He will come through for you.

In His Presence...praise Him for His promises.



Food Packing December 16th
Food Distribution December 20th

Don't Forget To Tithe



There are several ways to do this:

- Mail P.O. Box 566
- Drop by church or go to • TITHE.LY

or on our church website scroll down to "GIVE NOW"