

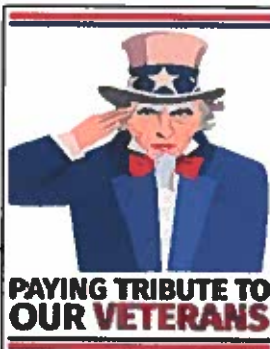
# The ENCOURAGER

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**Election Day**

**Vote!**  
**Tuesday,**  
**Nov. 3rd**



**Veterans Day**  
**Nov. 11th**  
**Don't forget to thank them for their service!**



**Daylight Savings Time Ends**  
**Sunday,**  
**November 1st**  
**Remember to set your clocks back one hour!**



**November 15th**  
**Operation Christmas**  
**Child shoebox ingathering.**



**Youth Retreat**  
**Caswell,**  
**Nov. 13-15th**



**NC BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION**  
**FIRST BAPTIST CHARLOTTE**  
**NOV. 10TH**  
**1-5 PM**

**Annual Convention**



Poinsettia Sign-up Sheet is on the back table. They are \$8.00 each. They can be in honor of or memory of someone. We will use them to decorate our church and give them to the sick and homebound.

**Week of Prayer for Shoebox Ministry Nov. 8th - 14th**  
**Week of Prayer for Baptist Children's Home Nov. 15th - 21st**



**Susan Shinault**  
**Jonathan & Misti Dewitt**  
**Andrew Laws**

**Hanging of the Greens**  
**Sunday, November 29th at 6pm**



**SENIOR TRIP TO BOONE TO SAMARITAN'S PURSE PROCESSING CENTER TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24**



**Senior Adults**



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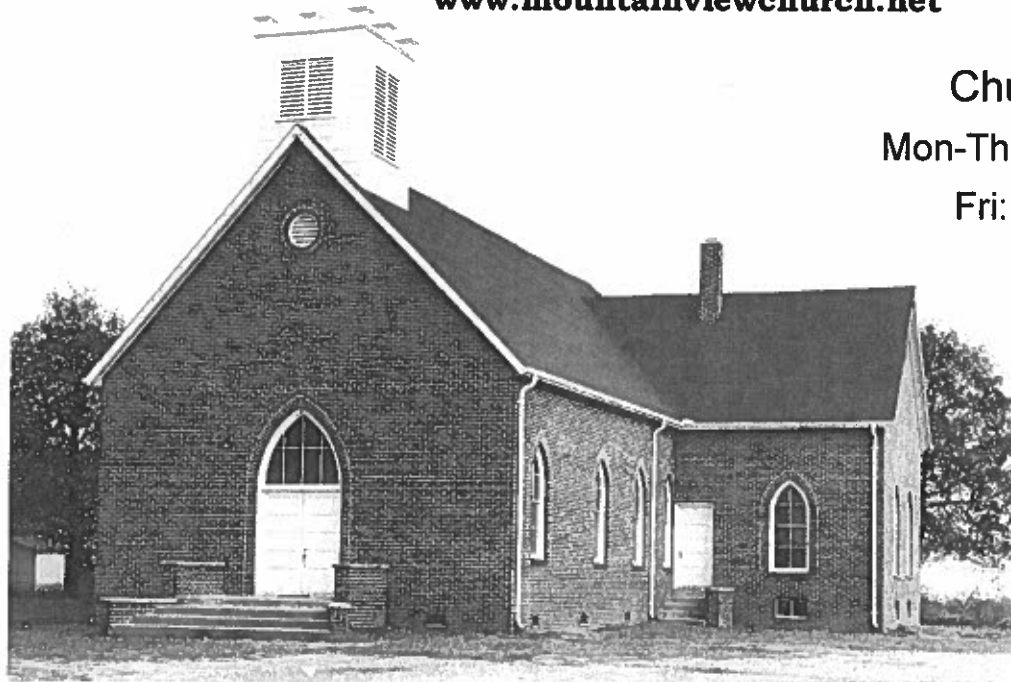


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## Church Office Hours

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Fri: 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Admin. & Fin.  
Assistant  
Michelle Gilbert  
General Secretary:  
Beth Wagoner



**Pastor: Tim Tucker**

**Associate Pastor of Students: Anthony Silvers**

**Director of Worship Ministries: Sloan Bryant**

**Director of Children's & Senior Adult Ministries:**

**Brittney**



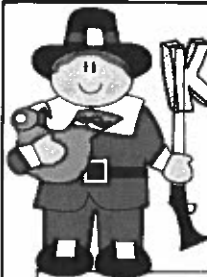
## November Birthdays

1 Russell Collins  
2 Brittney Casstevens  
5 Jerry Wyatt, Sr.  
Rick Swaim  
6 Jerry Crouse  
Caleb Miller  
7 Bonnie O'Connor  
8 Trina Swaim  
Allison Moran  
10 Tenia Brown  
11 Ava Riley  
Powell Simpson  
12 Justin Crouse  
Amelia Brown  
Leslie Gray  
13 Babs Wood  
15 Kathryn Pardue

15 Denver Stokes  
16 Randy Brown  
Abbie Stinson  
17 Neal Oliver  
Jonah Shore  
Terry Benton  
Danny Steelman  
Zane Green  
18 Rachael Brown  
19 Margaret Caudle  
JoAnn Crouse  
Jerrod Howard  
20 Ethan Cardwell  
21 Daniel Brown  
Jeff Brown  
Jerome Crouse  
22 Sterling Gilliam  
Kaden Pardue

23 Riley Dimmette  
Konard Martin  
25 Blake Carter  
26 Tim Reeves  
Hannah Crouse  
27 Robin Brown  
Lakin Cranfill  
Kathy Cheek  
Cameron Shepherd  
28 Paige Driver  
29 Carson Hemric  
Heather Johnson  
30 Billy Cheek  
Kasey Cheek  
Tanner Sturdivant  
Marty Freeman





# KIDS KORNER



GROUP GAME

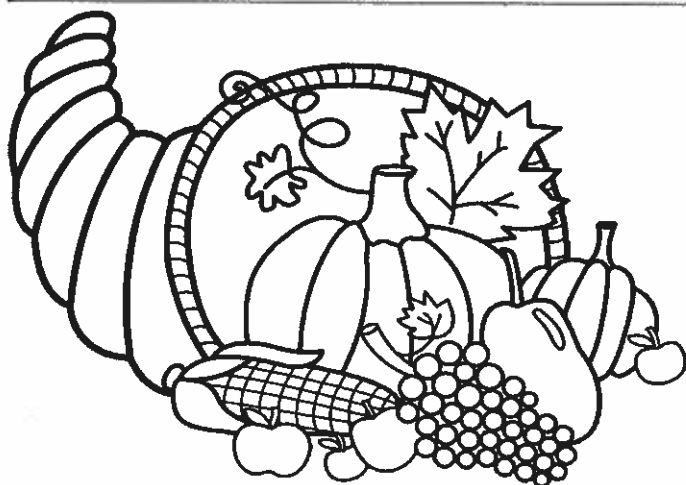
## Thanksgiving Word Search

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18, "Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."

F J P Y I G P R A Y E R S M Y S R R G E  
Y G G N G B R C H U R C H B R G E Y O K  
E L E A T O U A A G E R F E G N T L B A  
T R E S S E D U T Z R E V B N I H I B B  
Y W N C T N T F Z I L O G I I S G M L G  
Y A D S R U H T C L T R D C V S U A E A  
P H Q O M M S W O F A U E X I E A F J P  
P V C N V E O W E V I F D B G L L X E K  
R U C G V U S L Y X E G N E M B M D S V  
F D M R N H I D G S L V O N F E V P U L  
X E A P I I Y T I N U M M O C X V I S P  
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I T L X G D Q B O I K B I I T E C H I G  
P M U A S B D W T L F C Y C A K H I W A  
Y U M V T L Q G A E K Y W Q N I U P R M

### Word Bank

|           |            |           |           |          |           |
|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|----------|-----------|
| AUTUMN    | FEAST      | GOD       | LEFTOVERS | PRAISE   | TRADITION |
| BAKE      | FELLOWSHIP | GRATITUDE | LOVE      | PRAYERS  | TURKEY    |
| BLESSINGS | FRIENDS    | GRAVY     | NAP       | PUMPKIN  | WORSHIP   |
| CHRIST    | GATHERING  | HARVEST   | NOVEMBER  | SHARING  | YUM       |
| CHRISTIAN | GIVING     | JESUS     | PARADE    | TABLE    |           |
| CHURCH    | GOBBLE     | LAUGHTER  | PIE       | THURSDAY |           |



"Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever."

- 1 Chronicles 16:34



## GIVE THANKS TO GOD

God gives us many blessings every day. How can we thank him?

Directions: To complete the Bible verse below, follow the code and fill in the blanks.



A=1, B=2, C=3, D=4, E=5, F=6, G=7, H=8, I=9, J=10,  
K=11, L=12, M=13, N=14, O=15, P=16, Q=17, R=18,  
S=19, T=20, U=21, V=22, W=23, X=24, Y=25, Z=26.

"\_\_\_\_\_ will \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ name in \_\_\_\_\_  
and \_\_\_\_\_ with \_\_\_\_\_"

Answer: "I will praise God's name in song and glorify him with thanksgiving." Psalm 69:30.

How many words can you make from:

## Happy Thanksgiving

- |          |          |
|----------|----------|
| 1 _____  | 16 _____ |
| 2 _____  | 17 _____ |
| 3 _____  | 18 _____ |
| 4 _____  | 19 _____ |
| 5 _____  | 20 _____ |
| 6 _____  | 21 _____ |
| 7 _____  | 22 _____ |
| 8 _____  | 23 _____ |
| 9 _____  | 24 _____ |
| 10 _____ | 25 _____ |
| 11 _____ | 26 _____ |
| 12 _____ | 27 _____ |
| 13 _____ | 28 _____ |
| 14 _____ | 29 _____ |

"Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise. Be thankful to Him, and bless His name. For the LORD is good; His mercy is everlasting, and His truth endures to all generations."



Psalm 100:4-5



1 mile = 84,440 pennies = \$844.40



**Week of Prayer  
for Baptist  
Children's Homes  
& Mile of Pennies  
Offering  
Sunday,  
November 15th -  
Saturday,  
November 21st**



SHARING HOPE...CHANGING LIVES

**Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina**



**2020 Goal is 7miles of pennies or \$5,913.60**

*Shoe Box Story.....*

Karabo is a young man from Lesotho, a kingdom in southern Africa. By the time he was 11, he had lost both parents as well as his grandmother, who had taught him about God's love. He felt sad and lonely until he heard the Gospel at a church that was handing out shoebox gifts. Years later, he still carries a comb that was in his shoebox.

"It is a reminder that God knows my needs, even the little things that can bring joy," he said. "God used the shoebox to give me hope and to fill my brokenness. I had a desire to know Him more, and I surrendered my life to Him. Today, I have eternal life in Christ because of His love for me."

Since 1993 Samaritan's Purse has delivered 178 million shoebox gifts in 170 countries and territories, along with the materials for The Greatest Journey classes. The Lord has used this to bring more than 11.5 million boys and girls to faith in Christ.



\* The week of prayer for OCC is Nov. 8th-14th.

\*You can make a difference in a child's life with a simple shoebox of small gifts.

\* If you are unable to shop for shoebox items you can build one online at [samaritanspurse.org/occ](http://samaritanspurse.org/occ) or donate money and we will do the shopping for you just designate **shoebox** on your offering envelope.



**In every thing give thanks for this is  
the will of God in Christ Jesus  
concerning you.** 1 Thessalonians 5:18



# November events



**Time Changes Sunday  
November 1st  
Roll your clock back an hour**

## Church DEACONS

Meeting Sunday,  
November 1, at  
7PM



Yadkin Prayer Walk 2020  
Sun., Nov 1st 2:00-3:30pm

### Baptist Women on Mission

Baptist Women will meet Tuesday, Nov. 3rd  
at 11:00am in the fellowship hall.

Baptist Young Women will meet Tuesday,  
Nov. 3rd at 6:00pm at the home of Sara Crater.

Baptist Middle Women will meet Thursday,  
Nov. 5th at 6:30pm in the fellowship hall.



Mon, Nov 2nd- Baptist Women Day of Prayer



**November 8th - 14th - Week of Prayer for  
Operation Christmas Child & Shoebox Ministry**

Day of Prayer for  
the Persecuted  
Church Sun.,  
Nov. 15th



**Baptist State Convention  
North Carolina  
Annual Meeting  
Nov. 10th  
FBC Charlotte  
1-5 pm**



Tues. Nov. 3rd

**Vote!**

Your Country needs  
**You!**

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

Meeting Wednesday,  
November 4th at 8:15PM

**CHURCH CONFERENCE  
SUNDAY, NOV. 8TH  
7PM AFTER WORSHIP  
SERVICE**



## Youth Group News

**YOUTH RETREAT  
NOV. 13TH-15TH  
CASWELL**



November 15th-21st

Week of Prayer for Baptist Children's  
Home & Mile of Pennies Offering  
(see page 4)



Ingathering November 22nd, Our Goal is 7 Miles  
or \$5,913.60



Senior Trip to Boone to the  
Processing Center for Operation  
Christmas Child Shoe Boxes.  
November 24th



Shoe Box ingathering  
November 15th



**Church Wide  
Thanksgiving Service  
Nov. 25th at 7:00pm**



**Sunday,  
Nov. 22nd  
Communion  
Service  
6:00pm**



Thurs, Nov. 26th & Fri, Nov. 27th  
our church office will be closed  
for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

*Hanging of the Greens Service  
Sunday, November 29th at 6:00 PM*



# FLANNERY FAMILY UPDATE

## Gearing up for fall!

It seems just unbelievable that we are about to enter October 2020! August and September have just flown by. August

brought unexpected time to attend a family wedding, visit quickly through North Carolina at churches and with friends as well as a family vacation with David's family. September

has been filled with virtual meeting both for America and Italy, starting homeschool kindergarten with Kaleb and many Medical appointments.



*We were able to attend a family wedding and Kaleb kept talking about the princess and how pretty she was!*



Many of you may be wondering why we are still in America! It's a question we have asked ourselves frequently to be honest. A general update is that throughout our summer, David has experienced increasing amounts of joint pain and stiffness. We attributed it to intense work out programs, old mattress, etc. but it continued to worsen inexplicably. After visiting with a doctor and running tests, it became clear that he had severe inflammation throughout his body. Few additional doctor visits with specialists have determined he has an autoimmune disease.

Likely he has had it for over a decade but it had been misdiagnosed. Fortunately through lifestyle changes, starting medication and great support through family and doctors, he has been making improvements! The progress is expected to be slow but we have great hope he will return to his normal active and energetic self in a few months! That all being said, we've been delayed from returning to Italy for this medical reason. There is great rheumatological care in Milan via Zoom so the transition back will hopefully be smooth! As such, we are hoping to return soon to Italy.

Both Kaleb and Jackson are doing very well. Jackson has started potty training and we have learned that he can decide which days/moods he wants to be potty trained. Kaleb misses his George greatly but has been doing extremely well with his homeschool program! Kaleb turned 5 this past week which is simply unbelievable. We celebrated with local family through a dinosaur themed party. He had also started playing T-Ball and our Saturday morning games are quite entertaining at this age! Danielle has resumed Italian driving school virtually and we have been in communication with potential church partnerships in Milan to begin upon our return.

# FLANNERY UPDATE CONTINUED...

We apologize for any lack of contact or response in this time but we have been focused on the medical side of things and our boys as they deal with the continued displacement from their home. We are doing well and seeing physical improvements. We feel blessed by this unexpected bonus time with family, nevertheless, we also long to return to our home in Milan! Enjoy some life pictures below from the past two months!

## Requests:

- English Link and how to resume meetings (virtually and upon return)
- Language (David will test in December)
- New church partnership in Milan
- David's continued health improvement



## Praises:

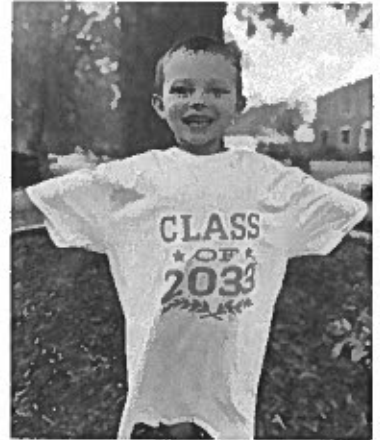
- Continued connection with Italian friend
  - Our family bonding closely in this challenging time
  - Continued opportunities to share with David's tutor!
- (M)



*This boy lives in his rain boots & this rainy fall has been his dream as he splashes through every puddle he can find!*



*Friday's are for field trips! We took the cousins to Krispy Kreme to watch the magic of making their favorite donuts.*



*Kaleb is playing his 1st organized sport of T-Ball and homeschool kindergarten started at the beginning of Sept. in order that Kaleb may stay in the routine of learning until he can return to his school in Milan.*



*Our most recent big event was Kaleb turning 5! He asked for a surprise party (and he forgot) so we successfully pulled off a fun day of surprises for him thanks to all our family!*



Love to you all! Please write back, check in, share pictures of what is happening in your lives and families! We miss you all!

*The Flannery Family*



*We were able to take a quick vacation to a nearby lake for a few days with David's family*



DECEMBER

The Marriage of  
Paris Trivette and Zane Green  
Saturday, December 5th  
(invitation Only)



Week of Prayer for Lottie Moon  
Mission Offering & Our International  
Missionaries Nov. 29th-Dec. 5th

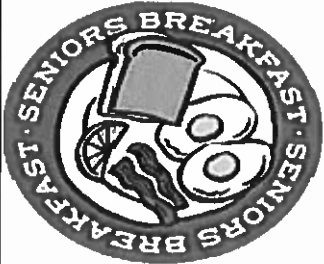
Ingathering for Lottie Moon  
Offering Dec. 13th  
Our Goal: \$36,000.00



Deacon's Meeting Sunday, December 6th at 7pm



Youth Caroling  
and Christmas  
Party Dec. 11th  
4-10pm

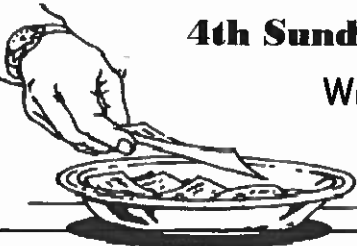


Saturday Dec. 12th  
Senior Adult  
Breakfast  
9am in the  
Fellowship Hall

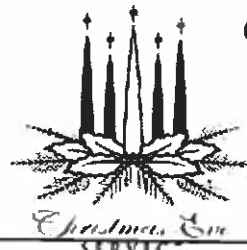


Church Conference  
Sun., December 13th at 7pm

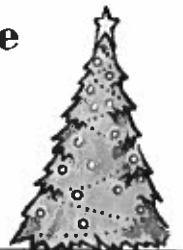
4th Sunday Mission Offering  
Will Go Toward  
Lottie Moon



Baptist Women  
Christmas Outing  
Friday, Dec. 18th



Christmas Eve  
Service  
Dec. 24th  
9:00pm



Merry Christmas!

Church office will be closed  
Friday December 25th



Holiday Schedule

There will be no services  
on Wednesday nights  
December 23rd & 30th

And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary: for thou  
hast found favor with God. And, behold, thou shalt  
conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt  
call his name JESUS.



In the busyness of the season  
Answer this, What does  
Christmas Mean to Me?



What Christmas Means  
to Me



THE LIFE & LEGACY OF

# Lottie Moon



*Lottie Moon—the namesake of Southern Baptists’ international missions offering—has become a legend.*

But in her time, Lottie was anything but an untouchable hero. In fact, she was like today’s missionaries. She labored tirelessly so her people group could know Jesus.










Well over 100 years ago, a single missionary named Lottie Moon, while serving in China, began writing letters challenging the American church to send and support more workers to go there. After her death on the field, her challenge was heeded in the formalization of an offering in her name. Even if you’re not a Southern Baptist who has given to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, her life is a reminder of why we must give to send and support missionaries serving among unreached peoples in unreached places.

- **1840**  
Born in Albemarle County, VA
- **1858**  
Dedicated her life to Christ
- **1861**  
Became one of the first women in the South to receive a master’s degree
- **1873**  
Lottie set sail for China
- **1912**  
Lottie died on the mission field
- **1918**  
Woman’s Missionary Union (WMU) named the annual Christmas offering after Lottie Moon

LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING®

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# NOVEMBER 2020

| SUNDAY  | MONDAY   | TUESDAY   | WEDNESDAY  | THURSDAY  | FRIDAY                            | SATURDAY  |
|---|--|---|--|---|-----------------------------------|---|
| <b>1</b><br><br><b>Fall Back</b><br>2-3:30pm Yadkin Prayer Walk<br>5pm Safety Team Meeting<br>7pm Deacon's Meeting | <b>2</b><br>Election Day<br>11am Baptist Women meet in Fellowship Hall<br>6pm - Baptist Young Women meet at Sara Crater's<br>Youth Missions Night<br>Baptist Women Day of Prayer | <b>3</b><br>Election Day<br>11am Baptist Women meet in Fellowship Hall<br>6pm - Baptist Young Women meet at Sara Crater's<br>Youth Missions Night | <b>4</b><br>8:15pm Finance Committee<br> <b>VETERANS DAY</b>                   | <b>5</b><br>6:30pm Baptist Middle Women meet in Fellowship Hall   | <b>6</b>                          | <b>7</b>  |
| <b>8</b><br><br><b>HONORING OUR VETERANS</b><br>7pm Church Conference  | <b>9</b>   | <b>10</b><br>Baptist State Convention<br>FBC Charlotte<br>1 - 5 pm  | <b>11</b><br> <b>VETERANS DAY</b>  | <b>12</b>   | <b>13</b>                         | <b>14</b><br>4pm Wedding<br>Karley Groce (invitation only)                                      |
| <----- Week of Prayer for Operation Christmas Child & Shoebox Ministry ----->   |  |   |  |   |                                   |   |
| <b>15</b><br>Pray for the Persecuted Church<br>OCC Shoe Box ingathering<br>- Youth back from Caswell ----->   | <b>16</b>  | <b>17</b><br>Youth Missions Night   | <b>18</b>  | <b>19</b><br>  | <b>20</b>                         | <b>21</b>   |
| <----- Week of Prayer for Baptist Children's Homes & Mile of Pennies Offering ----->  |  |   |  |   |                                   |   |
| <b>22</b><br>NC Children's Homes<br>Ingathering - Goal: \$5,913.60<br>   | <b>23</b>  | <b>24</b><br>Senior Adult Trip to Boone for OCC shoeboxes   | <b>25</b><br> <b>THANKSGIVING</b><br>7:00 PM Churchwide Thanksgiving Service | <b>26</b><br> <b>HAPPY Thanksgiving!</b><br>church office closed | <b>27</b><br>church office closed | <b>28</b><br> |
| <b>29</b><br>BCH Speaker - Karen Slate<br>6pm Hanging of the Greens   | <b>30</b>  | <b>December 1</b>   | <b>December 2</b>  | <b>December 3</b>   | <b>December 4</b>                 | <b>December 5</b>   |