

# Baptist Life Lines

# SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- Hanging of the Greens 12/1
- Week of Prayer for International Missions 12/1-8
- Lottie Moon Christmas Offering 12/8
- Pine Level Christmas Parade 12/8
- Christmas Cantata 12/15
- Children's Christmas Program
- Church Wide Christmas Caroling 12/18
- Open Communion 12/24

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# A Note From Pastor Brad



Wow! Can you believe that Thanksgiving is already over? This year has flown by. Immediately following Thanksgiving comes "Black Friday" and then four weeks of the hectic Christmas shopping season which amounts to nothing more that "Total Chaos." You know exactly what I mean. Often, I fall captive to this same materialistic trap. Before you know it, we will be taking down the Christmas tree and preparing for New Year's, Valentine's Day, and so on.

But wait just a minute! Now is the time to "stop and smell the roses," as they say. Imagine how different things would be if the world only knew and understood the true meaning of Christmas. Nearly two thousand years ago as "the shepherds were keeping watch over their flocks an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord" (Luke 2:8-11). The true meaning of Christmas is about a Savior being born, living a perfect life, being crucified for your sins, physically being raised to life on the third day, and paying a debt that you cannot pay. This Christmas, be sure to stop and praise Christ Jesus, the Lord!

It is a joy to serve as your pastor. If I can do anything for you or your family, please don't hesitate to contact me. I look forward to the great things God has in store for Pine Level Missionary Baptist Church.

Pastor Brad

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# **December Birthdays**

- 1 Lib Radford
- 2 Doug Byrd **Derrick Pate**
- 4 Charles Napier
- 5 Lydia Crocker
- 7 Caroline Turner Noah Bovkin
- 9 Richard Durham
- 10 Jessica Massengill Rose Stuckey Samuel Hagar
- 11 Sharon Thompson
- 13 Lori Byrd
- 20 Lindsey Massengill
- 22 Taylor Jones
- 23 Jinny Stevens J. C. Knight
- 26 Sara Boykin
- 28 Carolyn Renfrow
- 30 Roger Smith

# **Deacon News**

### The Greatest Gift

"And she shall bring forth a Son, thou shalt call His name Jesus: for He shall save His people from their sins." (Matthew 1:21) Thanksgiving gave us an opportunity to stop and thank God for our many blessings. As we enter the Christmas season. calendars begin to fill up with many opportunities and obligations, which include our family, friends, business associates and church family. Over the next several weeks our lives could become extremely hectic and stressful. Before, and throughout, this very busy time of year, we should stop, pray and remember that, "Jesus

the Real Reason for the season." In preparing and presenting our Samaritan's Purse Christ-Shoemas

boxes last month, we realize that even the smallest of gifts can spread God's word throughout the world to those that are willing to receive Him. During the Christmas season remember that one of the greatest and most lasting gifts you can receive will come from Helping, Visiting and Loving others, because God Loved Us First! Enjoy

the all wonderful things that come with Christmas, but also remember "We believe that all we have comes from God, and we give it out of His hand." (1 Chronicles

29:14

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May everyone have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Deacon of the Month, Berry Godwin

# **December Nursery Schedule**

### Sunday School Hour -

Debbie Strickland / Terry Pope

# Church Hour - Nursery /Toddler Room

- 1- Tamara Brock / Patty Over-
- 8 Rose Stuckey / Sharon Mas-
- 15 Carrie Moore / Sherry Ar-
- 22 Cathy Edwards / Sherry Hollomnan
- 29 Jeannine Creech / Jennifer Baker







# **End of Year Tax Statements**

Remember, contrideposits bution are made on Sundays. All year end contributions must be in by Sunday, December 29th to be counted in 2019.

Thank you for your faithful support.



# Schedule of Events - December

Cantata Dress Rehearsal @ 9 am

Children's Program Rehearsal @ 10:30

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1-8	Week of Prayer for International Missions & Lottie Moon Offering	15	Christmas Cantata @ 10:30 am— "His Name is Jesus" (No Open Assembly-
1	Hanging of the Greens @ 6 pm		Sunday School Starts @ 9;45 am) Children's Program @ 6 pm— "Ornaments of Christmas"
4	Christ Kids @ 5:45 pm		Followed by meal, fellowship and Santa
	Choir Practice @ 6 pm		, ,
	Bible Study @ 7 pm	18	Church Wide Christmas Caroling @
	Deacon / Trustees Meeting @ 8 pm		5:45 pm
6	Children's Christmas Program Practice @ 6 pm	22	Brotherhood Breakfast @ 8 am
	Kennedy Home Christmas Open House		
	5:30 - 9 pm—Heavy Snacks - Cedar Dell Mansion will be open.	24	Christmas Eve—Office Closed Christmas Eve Open Communion 6 pm - 8:30 pm.
8	Ingathering of Lottie Moon Offering		·
	For International Missions—\$2,750.00 Pine Level Christmas Parade @ 3 pm	25	Christmas Day - Office Closed
	Building & Grounds Mtg. @ 5 pm	29	Communion Sunday
10	WMU Meeting @ 7 pm	31	New Year's Eve - Office Closed
11	Christ Kids @ 5:45 pm		
	Choir Practice @ 6 pm	h	
	Bible Study @ 7 pm		COMMUNION





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# December 2019

Sun	Mon	Tre	Wed	4		Sat
1 Dec. 1-8 Hanging of the Greens @ 6 pm	2 <u>week of</u>	3 <u>Prayer For</u>	4 International Christ Kids @ 5.45 pm Choir Practice @ 6 pm Bible Study @ 7 pm Deacon / Trustees @ 8 pm	5 Missions &	G <u>Lottie Moon</u> Children's Program Practice @ 6 pm Kennedy Home Christ- mas Open House 5:30-9 pm	<b>7 Offering</b> —Our Church Goal: \$2,750.00
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29 Communion Sunday	30	31				

# WMU News

As our church is growing in Christ, we want everyone to know about HIM. WMU can help. WMU makes disciples of Jesus who live on mission. Why does WMU make disciples of Jesus who live on mission? First. WMU is rooted in the Bible. The Bible guides us in knowing God, His ways, His character, His mission. His acts to redeem us, and His purpose for the church. Second, WMU is focused on missions. Jesus commanded His disciples to tell the good news, make disciples of all nations, and teach them to live out the truths He taught. Third, WMU is based on the church. Jesus

gave the church authority on His behalf. Teaching all ages in missions discipleship prepares the church to carry out His mission. Fourth, WMU knows and cares about the world. God is always at work among all peoples, and we join Him where we believe He is calling us. Fifth, WMU supports the Southern Baptist denomination. No one church can do alone what many churches can do together. Our cooperation makes the missions reach of a local church go further.

week of prayer will start on Sunday, December 1 and run through Sunday, December 8. Our goal for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering is \$2,750 and the ingathering will take place on Sunday, December 8.

"I saw a great multitude from every nation and all Tribes....."

Revelation 7:9

Merry Christmas Sylvia Hinnant, WMU

Our Mission Emphasis for December is International Missions. The





# Windows Of Opportunity

### Sunday -

9:45 am - Open Assembly 10:00 am - Sunday School 11:00 am - Morning Worship 11:00 am - Children's Church (1st, 2nd and 3rd Sundays)

### First Wednesday -

5:45 pm - Christ Kids 6:00 pm - Choir Practice 7:00 pm - Bible Study

8:00 pm - Deacon/Trustees

### All Other Wednesdays -

5:45 pm - Christ Kids 6:00 pm - Choir Practice 7:00 pm - Bible Study

2nd Thursday - Van Pilgrims

## **December Altar Flowers**

1 - Poinsettias

8 - Poinsettias

15 - Poinsettias

22 - Poinsettias

29 - Poinsettias

# First Impressions Team

Dec. 1 - M/M Mike Renfrow

Dec. 8 - M/M Rusty Smith

Dec. 15 - M/M Brantley Stevens

Dec. 22 - M/M Tim Overbee

Dec 29 - Evelyn Knight





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