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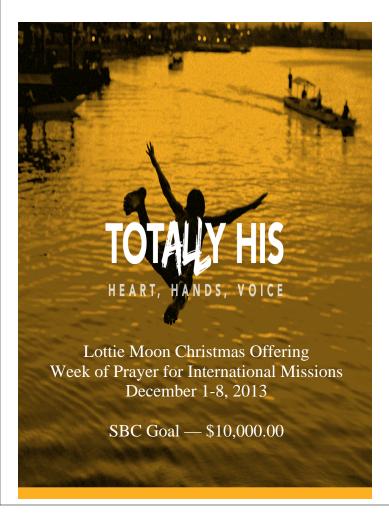
Live internet streaming of Sunday morning worship service Sunday School-10:00 A.M. Sunday Morning Worship-11:00 A.M. Sunday Evening Worship—6:00 P.M. Wednesday Prayer & Bible Study—7:00 P.M.



With Sympathy

Second Baptist Church would like to extend its deepest sympathy in the loss of your loved one. May God give peace and comfort to you and your family.

To Barbara Penrod in the loss of her husband, Glenn Penrod To the family in the loss of their loved one, Ray Schweinebraten



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Sofia Jones

KIDS KORNER

You won't want to miss the children's musical "Chris-Myth Busters" on December 15th. It has been a joy to hear the singing on Wednesday nights. They are working hard on this thanks to Mike and all the adults involved, as well as the many children and youth participating. Come and receive a heart full of Christmas blessing! During December, the children will participate in the International Mission Study: Peru. As in the past, they will taste foods, have games and activities related to the country. Missionary, Amy Fischer, is from Kentucky, now serving in Peru. See what's she's doing to share Jesus in Peru. We will also have Candice Coles speak to the children during the month. She helped us get GAs re-started at Second. Since attending WKU, Candice has been involved in missions through the Baptist Campus Ministries. In case you did not see this in the church bulletins, Preschool/Children's Church has been suspended until January. With the holidays, a number of kids getting sick...it was felt that this would be best. One of the issues we are also dealing with is the need for two adults in each room. Please consider being a volunteer. From everyone in the Preschool/Childrens Mission/Ministry Groups - MER-RY CHRISTMAS!

In Christ, Konnie



What's the Message of **Christmas?**

What is the message of Christmas? Is it gifts and giving, shopping and spending? Is it love and joy, eating and spending time with family and friends? Is it Santas and sleighs, trees and garland? Is it a time of sacrifice and serving others who aren't as fortunate as us, or is it just another Holiday to be enjoy? Is that all it is or is it the outgrowth of something deeper?



To remember what Christmas is really all about we need to go back to the basics for a few minutes and think about how the Christmas came to be in the first

> Christmas is about the ultimate gift – a Savior. God sent His Son to save us from our sin. Birthed in the heart of God before the world was ever created God the Father planned Christmas. His best gift for those who needed it the most. Born of a virgin without a sin nature so that He could redeem us from our sin.

> Christmas is about the greatest love ever shown. He loved us before we breathed our first breath. I think the greatest desire in the heart of any person is to be loved. Not for what they might do or could do, but because of who they are. Jesus came to lay down His life for us that we might know God's love for us. And when our hearts overflow with His love then we can't help but love and bring joy to those around us.

Christmas is about enjoying the most blessed fellowship that we can know. We enjoy the times of food and fellowship with our families and friends during the holiday season, but to be adopted into His family is the ultimate fellowship. Our fellowship with family and friends here is a temporary thing, but to be a part of His family is a fellowship that will last for all eternity. And because we are accepted into His fellowship and family we can and should accept others.

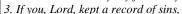
Christmas is about the life giving sacrifice of Jesus. We are free to celebrate not presents or pageants, parties or programs, but the forgiveness we have in Jesus Christ. And because of His sacrifice we are free to serve others in whatever way we can to make a difference in their lives.

We need to see the bigger picture of Christmas. Christmas is not all about us, it's all about Him! Let's celebrate it this year for its true meaning.

- Bro. Steve

Mike's Minutes

1. Out of the depths I cry to you, LORD, Lord hear my voice. 2. Let your ears be attentive to my cry for mercy.



Lord, who could stand? 4. But with You there is forgiveness, so that we can, with reverence, serve You.

- 5. I wait for the LORD, my whole being waits, and in His word I put my hope. 6. I wait for the Lord more than watchmen wait for the morning, more than watchmen wait for the morning.
- 7. Israel, put your hope in the LORD, for with the LORD is unfailing love and with Him is full redemption. 8. He himself will redeem Israel from all their sins.

Psalm130:1-8(NIV)

The end of the year fast approaches. I am uncertain what kinds of feelings and thoughts that idea prompts you, but no matter the destination of your mind as you gaze ahead to the close of 2013, let me encourage you to remember some crucial things.

The end of November is the start of the Advent season for many churches around the world. Advent finds its roots in liturgical traditions that are not particularly common to Baptist circles, but the richness of the intent of such traditions is worth noting in the case of Advent. In short, Advent is the time preparation for the coming of our Savior, Christ. Is that where your heart is today? Throughout this holiday season we will celebrate the birth of the greatest gift ever to walk on this planet. Let's prepare our hearts in anticipation of the birth of God's son, our only hope of freedom from sin in our incapable state and human effort. As we celebrate that hope, love, joy, and peace may our hearts echo with that of the psalmist.

This December may we wait with our whole beings for in our Lord is unfailing love and full redemption. We anxiously prepare for a baby born to redeem us all from

Your brother in Christ,

Mike

P.S. Again, I want to challenge you to think about becoming a part of these special holiday services taking place at SBC. One of the beautiful things about being a Christian is that the Holy Spirit uses you to accomplish His purposes. Let's give God, His praise!

Sunday evening: Dec. 1st 6p.m.- Hanging of the Greens Dec. 15th 6p.m.- Children's Musical (Chris-myth Busters) Dec. 22nd 6p.m.- Sanctuary Choir Musical

(Bethlehem Morning)

Dec. 29th 5p.m.- The Lord's Supper



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Thurs., Dec. 19, 2013 6:00 P.M.

Look for more information in upcoming bulletins and announcements!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Sun., Dec. 1—Hanging of the Greens

Dec. 1-8—Lottie Moon Week of Prayer for International Missions

Sun., Dec. 15—Youth Christmas Musical

Sun., Dec. 22nd—Adult Choir Musical





01	Suzann Coles
02	Ethan Spencer
03	Meagan Cherry, Eliot Wheat
04	Don Ballard, Joe Laird, Taylor
	Bibb
05	David Hopper
06	Kim Bird, Joey Young
07	Lindsey Gipson
09	Van Allen, Billie Simpson
10	Charles Tinch, Nancy Kinkade
11	Pat Henderson, Paige Gilliam,
	Taylor Wilson
13	Ruth Ethridge
14	Mike Dorris, Dustin Chestnut
18	Bill Owens
20	Faye Page, Shell Peters
21	Jon Blick
22	Virginia Wood, Cindy Offutt,
	Melinda Mittelstrasser, Christy
	Hooper, RaShawn Jones
23	Jeweral Hughes
24	Patsy Poore, Ryan Davenport
25	Sandy Taylor
26	Venita Hall, Lynette Baker,
	Crystal Arnold
27	Eleanor Tinch
28	Casey Wright, Noble Clark
29	Emily Holt
30	Brenda Barton, Linda Taylor, Carl
	Sandage
31	Lee Duncan



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01	Bldg. & Grounds Comm. Mtg., 5pm	
	Hanging of the Greens, 6pm	
04	Business Meeting, 7pm	
10	Nursing Home Visitation, 7pm	
12	Golden Heirs to Grand Rivers, 11pm	
15	Youth Christmas Program, 6pm	
18	Deacons Meeting, 6pm	
22	Adult Christmas Program, 6pm	
24-25	Christmas Holidays – Office Closed	
<u>Baptist Hour</u> – Each Monday following 12:20pm news		
	on WRUS-AM	
Womer	's Evercise Class- Each Tues & Thurs 10am	

GO Visitation & Meal -Each Wed. night at 5:30pm, EXCEPT on Business Meeting night

<u>Volleyball</u> - Mondays & Thursday nights



Happy Anniversary!

Ricky & Dana Stoker	05
Darrell & Vicky Bobbett	06
Neal & Tina Hamilton	08
Eugene & Helen Ashby	12
Roy & Bettie Bond	12
Michael & Christy Wright	12
Rick & Lisa Browning	15
Marvin & Jackie Flatt	21
Scott & Casey Wright	22
David & Sandra Kinser	27
Randy & Susie Rigsby	29
Dan & Faye Clark	31