

DECEMBER

Churchland Baptist Church Newsletter



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

December 3 – 6:00 p.m. Children’s Christmas Program/Deacon sponsored Christmas Party

December 4 – 7:00 Finance Committee

December 6 – 6:30 p.m. Wednesday Connect Bible Study

December 7 – 11:00 a.m. Seniors on Sabbatical – Soup in the fellowship hall

December 7 – 6:00 p.m. Building & Grounds Meeting

December 10 – 5:00 p.m. Deacons meeting

December 12 – 9:00 a.m. – Food Distribution

December 12 – 7:00 p.m. BYW meeting – meet in the Fellowship Hall

December 13 – 6:30 p.m. Wednesday Connect Bible Study

December 15 – 5:30 – 9:00 p.m. – Youth Christmas Party

December 20 – No Connect Bible Study

December 24 – 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship – there will be no morning Connect Group

December 24 – 7:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Worship

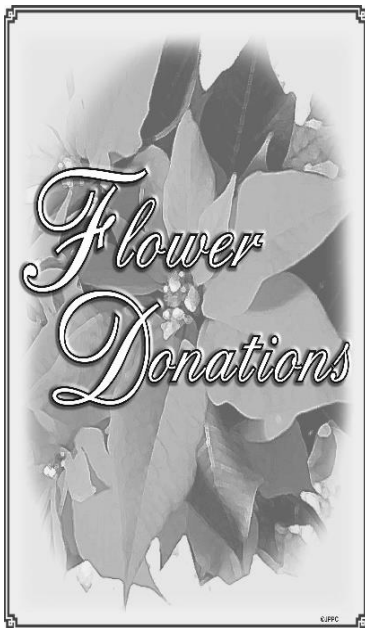
December 27 – No Connect Bible Study



October 2023 – We served 319 households, 933 individuals & 356 student food backpacks. December Needs: Canned chicken or tuna, fruit, Mac-n-cheese, instant potatoes, all soups, rice and sugar free jelly. We are also collecting pocketbooks, shoes and coats in all sizes, children, women & men.



BYW ladies mission team are selling Pecan Halves in one pound bags this fall for \$10. If you would like to purchase a bag, please let one of the ladies know. We appreciate your help in supporting our mission projects.



Flowers/Donations for the month of December

December 3 – Donation – In memory of Ben & Gertrude Lomax – by Gary & Jody Lomax

December 10 – Flowers – in memory of Alan Fritts – by Marshana, Carson, Malin & Walker Fritts

December 17 – Donation – To His Glory & in honor of our grandchildren – Austin; Ashtyn; Katelyn; Sydney & Ella by Ronnie & Sharon Griggs

December 24 – Donation – in memory of Allen & Sue Beck & Linda Beck by Ronnie & Sandra Beck & Larry & Jean Shaver & Families

December 31 – Open Date – if you would like this date, see Barbara Bostian



Mark your Calendars: Festival of Tables will be held Saturday, February 3, 2024 with special guest Renea Henderson. Start making plans to attend this special night of laughter and inspiration, fellowship with friends, have a good meal and plan your beautiful table for everyone to enjoy. More details coming!



Christmas Boston Butts – Boston Butt, 1 quart slaw – 1 quart dip - \$45 – pick up: 12/23 by 11 am – church picnic shelter – proceeds go to: John Wayne Shoaf Eagle Scout Scholarship Fund – Sign up sheet in foyer – money due by 12/10/23 – any questions, please see Gerri Hartley 336-225-5491 or Chad Tedder 336-239-5225

Facility Use
Request Form



When requesting to use the Fellowship Hall, please fill out the request forms that are located in a notebook in the office and put your name on the church calendar on the date requested. The deacons will review your request and will notify you, if it is approved. The form must be approved and signed by the deacons.



We welcome Walker Fritts into our church membership. Walker is such a special person that everyone in our church has watched grow from a little boy into a fine young man. Welcome Walker and we hope you will be very happy worshipping at Churchland Baptist Church.



The youth Christmas party will be Friday, December 15th from 5:30 pm – 9:00 pm. Youth should wear their comfy clothes/PJ's. We will have dinner, play games and watch a movie. See Stephanie Burleson if you have any questions.



Girl Scout Troop 13065 will be re-launching for girls ages Kindergarten –First Grade. We will meet on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month from 6:30 – 7:30 pm beginning on Thursday, January 4, 2024. See Stephanie Burleson for more information.



TO ALL THAT TITHE AND SERVE:

When we are serving others, we are serving God and He should receive the glory. As believers, we are serving on God's behalf. As we are going into the Christmas Season and a time of giving, I want to thank you for your generosity, of your time and giving to those less fortunate. God wants us to love and serve others, it gets CBC apart from the world and our light shines. Thank you for your help distributing food boxes, Thanksgiving boxes and helping to decorate our beautiful sanctuary. Serving others comes in so many ways. I appreciate each offer to help and serve.

In Christ Love,
Ann Burns



DO YOU REMEMBER – Chimes become a Reality – Many had dreamed of having chimes. But no definite step had been taken in this direction until June 23, 1957. At this time an offering of \$30 set the chimes in motion. On June 22, Lee Simerson, an afflicted boy, gave the pastor a bag of money, most of it silver, which he had collected over the years. The first thought was to put the money in the general building fund. But the second thought being a divine revelation as we thought, was to make that the initial offering on the chimes. This was done. When announcement was made of this, others began to make offerings for the chimes. Thus, the chimes became a reality and were played for the first time at 2:25 p.m., September 10, 1957.



The Christmas Card Box is up and at the side entrance of the church. If you would like to share cards with your friends, just bring them and deposit them in the box.

During this Holiday Season let us remember the true meaning of Christmas:



And she gave birth to her first-born son; and she wrapped Him in cloths, and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn

And in the same region there were some shepherds staying out in the fields, and keeping watch over their flock by night.

And an angel of the Lord suddenly stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them; and they were terribly frightened.

And the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for behold, I bring you good news of a great joy which shall be for all the people;

For today in the city of David there has been born for you a Savior who is Christ the Lord."

And suddenly there appeared with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying,

"Glory to God in the highest, And on earth peace among men with whom He is pleased".

Luke 2

LETTER TO THE CONGREGATION



Dear Congregation,

Food Insecurities continue to impact our community, but it does not stop the compassion Churchland Baptist Church has shown others. Through your generous gifts and time volunteering, you embody the love of Christ to people that have a variety of needs. Our church is always at its best when we are working together serving others.

Through your donations we purchase food to replenish our supply at WDFP. Each dollar donated goes to a very worthy cause and helps to feed our community. Our biggest challenge is funding for the Weekend Backpack Program, it takes \$59,000 a year to run this program. Our goal is that no child will be hungry.

Jacob and Holly Green are working diligently to raise money by collecting shoes to help with this cause and providing warm coats for children. Save your gently worn shoes and coats and donate to WDFP.

At CBC it's our mission to reach out and help the community. We are breaking down barriers of good insecurities, by reach out to Seniors age 60 years and up, our church has partnered with Baptist on Missions and the NC Agriculture Dept. to provide 73 boxes of food each month. As there is a need in Churchland, I have requested 40 more boxes for 2024. At WDFP we are trying to make healthier choices, and now offer High Blood Pressure and Diabetic boxes.

Starting in January the Medical Ministries Mobile Unit will be at CBC on Thursdays to provide health care. Volunteers will be needed! In the works also with Baptist on Missions we hope to provide a Dental Clinic in the future.

God answers our prayers and our mission team is grateful for our church volunteers and especially Barbara Shoaf, BYW and Lisa Ridenhour. Youth and Children's Missions for your time in making things happen. To the gentleman that committed to donate 60 Thanksgiving meals, all I can say is Thank You! We serve an awesome God.

If you know of anyone in our community that needs food or has a need, please let us know. Please pray and ask God's guidance on church missions. Pray that He blesses our church and ministry to show Christ's love and to lead others to Him. Let everyone see Christ radiate from our church.

Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various form." 1 Peter 4:10

Grace and peace in Christ's Name

Ann Burns, Director

Local Missions

