



## **Churchland Baptist Church**

### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**Sunday, Dec. 1 – 5:00 p.m. – Children’s Christmas Program in the Sanctuary followed by the Deacons churchwide Christmas Party in the fellowship hall**

**Monday, Dec. 2 – 10:00 a.m. – Women’s Bible Study**

**Monday, Dec. 2 – 7:00 p.m. – Finance Committee meeting**

**Wednesday, Dec. 4 – 6:30 p.m. – Wednesday Connect Group meet**

**Thursday – Friday, Dec. 5 & 6 – 6:00 – 8:00 pm. – Christmas Caroling**

**Saturday, Dec. 7 – 8:00 a.m. - Men’s Ministry Monthly Breakfast Fellowship at Cagney’s Restaurant, Lexington, N. C.**

**Monday, Dec. 9 – 10:00 a.m. – Women’s Bible Study**

**Monday, Dec. 9 – 6:00 p.m. – Building & Grounds meet**

**Tuesday, Dec. 10 – 7:00 p.m. – BYW meeting – Christmas Party**

**Wednesday, Dec. 11 – 6:30 p.m. – Wednesday Connect Group meet**

**Monday, Dec. 16 – 10:00 p.m. – Women’s Bible Study**

**Tuesday, Dec. 17 – 9:00 a.m. – Food Distribution**

**Wednesday, Dec. 18 – 6:30 p.m. – Wednesday Connect Group meet**

**Tuesday, Dec. 24 – 7:00 p.m. – Christmas Eve Candlelight & Communion Service**

**Wednesday, Dec. 25 – Christmas Day – Enjoy time with family**

**Sunday, Dec. 29 – 11:00 a.m. – Quarterly Church Conference**

**Sunday, Dec. 29 – 1:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. – Red Cross Blood Drive, Churchland Baptist Church, Fellowship Hall**

## **FLOWERS/DONATIONS FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER**

December 1 – Monetary Donation – in memory of Ben & Gertrude Lomax by Gary & Jody Lomax

December 8 – Open Date

December 15 – Monetary Donation – To His Glory & in honor of our grandchildren: Austin, Ashtyn, Katelyn, Sydney & Ella by Ronnie & Sharon Griggs

December 22 – Monetary Donation – in memory of Allen & Sue Beck & Linda Beck by Ronnie & Sandra Beck & Larry & Jean Shaver & families

December 29 – Monetary Donation – in memory of Dallas & Nadine Newsome, David Dawson & in honor of Donna Estep

## **COFFEE CONNECT FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER**

December 1 – Median Co-Ed – Newt Newsome

December 8 – Youth – Nate Burleson

December 15 – Young Adults – David Wood

December 22 – Senior Adults – Larry Shaver

December 29 – Median Co-Ed – Newt Newsome

## **DEACON OF THE WEEK**

December 1-7 - Ronald Hartley

December 8-14 - Doug Mills

December 15-21 - Barbara Shoaf

December 22-28 - Newt Newsome

December 29 – Jan. 4 - Buddy Lomax

## **NURSERY WORKERS**

December 1- Lisa Ridenhour/Sandra Beck

December 8 – Blanca Wood/Holly Green

December 15 – Jessica Harris/Angie West

December 22 – Marlena Fleeman/Stephanie Burleson

December 29 – Jessica Harris/Kay Beck

## **CHILDREN'S CHURCH WORKERS**

December 1 – Erika Thompson/Holly Green

December 8 – Stephanie Burleson/Hope Purdey

December 15 – Marlena Fleeman/Malea Fleeman

December 22 – Lisa Ridenhour/Sandra Beck

December 29 – Stacey Wilson/Karen Wright

## **OFFICE SECRETARIES**

December 1 – Amy Freeman

December 8 – Pam Phipps

December 15 – Karen Allen

December 22 – Amy Freeman

December 29 – Pam Phipps

## **COUNTING COMMITTEE**

December 1 – Pam Phipps/Rita Caudle

December 8 – Karen Allen/Luke Shepherd

December 15 – Amy Freeman/Sharon Hartley

December 22 – Pam Phipps/Karen Allen

December 29 – Karen Allen/Rita Caudle

## **USHERS**

December 1 – Harold Burns/Newt Newsome/Rudy Hartley/Ronnie Beck

December 8 – Luke Shepherd/Newt Newsome/Adam Wilson/Harold Burns

December 15 – Doug Mills/Nate Burleson/Joey Freeman/Ron Hartley

December 22 – Joey Freeman/Jeff Snider/Luke Shepherd/Lee Fleeman

December 29 – Harold Burns/Newt Newsome/Rudy Hartley/Ronnie Beck

## **SECURITY**

December 1 – David Wood/Doug Mills

December 8 – Harold Burns/Lee Fleeman

December 15 – Ron Hartley/Jeff Snider/Rudy Hartley

December 22 – Adam Wilson/Newt Newsome

December 29 – Harold Burns/Lee Fleeman

## **WEDNESDAY KIDS CONNECT WORKERS**

December 4 – Jeanette Mills/Marlena Fleeman/Heather Heon/Jeffrey Heon

December 11 – Stacey Wilson/Karen Wright/Carmen Davis/Chris Davis

December 18 – David Wood/Newt Newsome/Holly Green/Jacob Green

December 25 – NO KIDS CONNECT

## **UPDATE ON THE WEST DAVIDSON FOOD PANTRY FOR OCTOBER**

The Pantry served 1888 individuals, 494 families, 325 backpacks.

October 2024 (most people served in one month).

The pantry needs soups, instant potatoes, crackers & stuffing

## **CHRISTMAS CAROLING**

Join us for Christmas caroling on December 5 & 6. We will meet in the fellowship hall between 5:30 – 5:50 pm and go caroling 6:00-8:00 pm. The van will be available and other vehicles, as needed. See Fairye Mills, if you would like to participate or if you know of someone we should visit to share Christmas cheer in song.

## **RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE – SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29**

We will have a blood drive in our fellowship hall on Sunday, December 29 from 1:30-6:00 pm. A sign-up sheet and instructions will be forthcoming in early December

## **THANK YOU FROM HOSPICE HOUSE OF LEXINGTON, N. C.**

“Hospice care gives patients and the people who matter the most to them the opportunity to find comfort and spend meaningful time together, time dedicated to building memories and solidifying relationships. We gratefully appreciate your generous contribution in support of our work”.

## **THANK YOU FROM ANN BURNS (FESTIVAL OF TABLES)**

Dearest Church Family,

Your kindness shines brightly! Some individuals have a gift for knowing exactly when to lend a hand, and my church family has exemplified this beautifully. I'm overwhelmed with gratitude for each talented lady who decorated a table for our annual Festival of Tables. Your creativity, elegance, and love shine through!

To the amazing men who assisted with setting tables, breaking down, and cleaning up, your selflessness is invaluable. Thank you for your unwavering support.

There are heroes among us who always step up, and I appreciate your tireless efforts in preparing gift baskets, serving food, and walking alongside me every step of the way. Your willingness to give your time is a precious gift.

Know that you are deeply cherished and loved. A heartfelt hug and abundant thanks to all who attended. What a blessing! I'm deeply moved by your compassion.

In Christ's Amazing Love,  
Ann Burns

## **ANGEL TREE**

The Angel Tree is up. If you take an Angel from the tree, please write your name by the Angel ID that is listed on the notepad that is on the table beside the tree. When purchasing the gifts we ask that you only purchase gifts for five boxes so that each child will have the same amount of gifts to unwrap. Please put all 5 unwrapped boxes in a black trash bag and tie it with the Angel ID number that you took from the tree. Please put the bags in the Conference Room not later than Wednesday, December 4<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for helping a child in our community have a blessed Christmas.

## **DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES**

December 6	Stacey Wilson
December 16	Billy Williams
December 20	Zaylen Cox
December 28	Ellie Heitman
December 30	Wendy Brodar
December 31	Jade Koonts
December 3	Anniversary of David & Blanca Wood
December 6	Anniversary of Jeff & Heather Heon
December 8	Anniversary of Harold & Ann Burns

## **LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING – DECEMBER 2024 – GOAL \$800**

Every Christmas we come together to collect money for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

Lottie Moon was a strong young woman sent as a Southern Baptist Missionary to China from 1873-1912.

Let me tell you a little about Lottie before all this happened in her life. She was a rebellious young girl at the age of 13 and this may have been because her father died and she had great bitterness toward God. She did not like church, she would not go to church. She was like this until her college years and as a joke to some of her friends that kept asking her to go to missionary meetings she went one night with them. But at that meeting the Holy Spirit showed her how ugly her spirit was. After praying all night, she confessed her bad behavior to God and to others. On December 1858 she was baptized at First Baptist Church in Charlottesville, Virginia. She gave her heart to God and wanted to commit to becoming a missionary. She worked very hard in college and graduated with a Master's Degree in 1861, which was unheard of in that day for women. She stayed close to home during the Civil War but for a few years she taught school in KY., GA., and VA.

In October, Lottie Moon sailed as a Southern Baptist Missionary to China. She arrived in Tonchow, Northern China on October 7, 1873. She left behind a proposal of marriage, her job, her home and family to do God's work. Her path was not typical for an educated women from a wealthy Southern family. God had called her to a place where people were in need for a Savior.

For 39 years Lottie spent most of the time in Tengchow and P'ingtu. People feared her and did not like her, but she refused to leave. The aroma of fresh-baked cookies drew people to her house. She didn't just serve the people of China, she identified with them by dressing as they did and learning their language and customs. Many eventually accepted her. And some accepted her Savior.

Lottie's letters to home told of the urgency need for more missionaries to come and more support through prayer and giving.

Disease, turmoil and lack of co-workers threatened to undo Lottie's Work. But she gave herself completely to God, helping lay the foundation of what will become the modern Chinese Church, one of the fastest growing Christian movements in the world. Lottie Moon died at the age of 72, December 14, 1912 in Kobe Harbor, Japan.

But her legacy lives on. And today when gifts aren't growing as quickly as the number of workers being called to the field by God, her call for giving rings with more urgency than ever. Please consider giving to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering through the month of December 2024.

Thank you and have a Blessed Day – Barbara Shoaf – WMU Director

