

## From Our Pastor

Once again we come to the close of the old year and we anticipate the events of the New Year. We have seen a lot take place this year from strange weather patterns, a bizarre election, great conflict and racial tension in our country, raging wildfires that have brought so much devastation and destruction. Our country has experienced many different acts of terrorism and heroism at the same time. All of these random acts of events point to the fact that we are approaching the end times. The Lord's return is drawing closer. This is all the more reason for us to set our sights on heaven because our redemption is drawing near. We must take care of eternal business why we still have the chance to. God has commissioned us according to Mark 16:15, "to go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." There are still many unreached people groups all over the world and time is running out.

Just as we have done over the last four years we bring to you the challenge concerning "Faith Promise Giving for our Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for World Missions. The national goal this year for the Southern Baptist Convention is \$155 million dollars. Our goal as a church for 2016 is \$17,3660.00 and we presently have a total of \$14,772.00 that has been given towards that goal. The need is just as great as it has always been and for that reason we must make missions giving a priority. Faith promise is not designed to replace your normal giving, but to increase it, and by increasing your giving, expanding your faith as you see God supply!

Our theme this year for the Lottie Moon Christmas offering campaign is "A Willing Church for a Wandering World." It is apparent that not everyone can go to the mission field but as one missionary statesman put it, "If you can't be a missionary, then send one." Maybe God has not called you to a foreign country to do mission work but He does desire to work through you and me. He does expect us to trust Him to raise up the funds to support World Missions. We have so many resources in this country but the greatest resource of all is God. His plan is for us trust Him by faith to supply the funds to send the gospel around the world.

Throughout the month of December we will be handing out the Faith Promise pledge cards for the Lottie Moon World Missions Christmas Offering so you can begin to pray and ask God what amount He would have you trust Him for to give throughout 2017. Whatever the amount, you will have to trust Him to raise it up. This will be an agreement between you and the Lord. You are entering into a covenant agreement with God concerning this matter.

As you take time to seek the will of God concerning this invitation to support world missions, ask God to make His will known to you. Maybe God would have you to increase your amount from last year? Maybe there is something that God has placed on your heart to sell and you need to commit the money of that sale to Faith Promise. This could be your first year in participating, but whatever the case may be, you must be in constant communication with the Lord concerning the amount that you are to give.

As God gives you wisdom, take the time to fill out the Faith Promise pledge card and put the small section of the card in the offering plate. Keep the larger part as a reminder to you of the agreement that you and God have reached. The total will be announced at the end of the service on Sunday, January 8, and that will be our goal for 2017 Lottie Moon Christmas offering. Remember "faith giving" is my faith reaching to God in order that His salvation might reach the world. Remember the theme for 2017 is "A Willing Church for a Wandering World!!

*Bro. Terry*

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# December 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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<b>4</b> 9 am Prayer Meeting 10 am Sunday School 11 am Worship Service 4:45- 7 pm Christmas Program Practice 5:00-7:00 pm Youth Christmas Party 6:00 pm Bible Study	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> 6 pm WISH	<b>7</b> 6:00 pm Violin Ministry 6:45 pm Prayer Meeting Youth Bible Study Children's Choir 7:30 pm Church Council	<b>8</b> 6:30 pm Ladies Cookie Exchange	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> 10:30am— Noon Christmas Program Practice
<b>11</b> 9 am Prayer Meeting 10 am Sunday School 11 am Worship Service 5:15 pm Christmas Program Warm Up 6 pm Christmas Program	<b>12</b> 6:30 pm Packing Food Boxes	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> 6:45 pm <i>Christmas            Caroling</i>	<b>15</b> 7 pm Leadership Team Meeting	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>18</b> 9 am Prayer Meeting 10 am Sunday School 11 am Worship Service 12:30 pm Christmas Fellowship Lunch	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> 6 pm WISH	<b>21</b> 6:45 pm Candlelight Service	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>25</b> <i>MERRY CHRISTMAS!</i> 11 am Worship Service NO PM SERVICES	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> 6:00 pm Violin Ministry <b>6:45 pm Regular Business            Meeting</b> Youth Bible Study Children's Choir	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>

## Children Church Workers

- 4 Linette Nuckols
- 11 Natalie Oakes and Madilyn Moss
- 18 Drake and Brittney Easley
- 25 Randy and Cassie Gatewood

# December Birthdays!

1	Brenda Collins
1	Luis Muñoz
5	Cam Moore
6	Sierra McDaniel
8	Logan Mills
9	Cindy Brock
9	Michael Bryant
10	Tim Hayes
10	Tiffany Smith Moore
11	Pat Hensley
14	Sonja Gregory
14	David Matherly
14	Dale McFaddin
16	Juanita Edwards
17	Lillian Paciello
19	Sydney Scarce
19	James Lumpkins, Jr.
21	Samantha L. Hedrick
21	Michelle Paciello
21	Tara St. John Harper
23	Dawn Aaron
24	Cathy Moore
24	Hailey Moore
25	Traci Nuckols
28	Will Nuckols
30	Adam Burgess
30	Makayla Lewis

Want to know what's going on here at church? Check out our website at:

[www.hollywoodbc.org](http://www.hollywoodbc.org)

## Nursery Calendar – December 2016

### Sun Dec 4, 2016

10:45 am - 12:15 pm

Donnie and Peggy Moore, Chuck Easley & Devin Motley

6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Donnie and Peggy Moore

### Wed Dec 7, 2016

6:45 pm - 7:45 pm

Linette Nuckols

### Sun Dec 11, 2016

10:45 am - 12:15 pm

Mary Moss, Julia Marlowe, Jessica Waller, & Debra Reynolds

6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Helen Moschler

### Wed Dec 14, 2016

6:45 pm - 7:45 pm

Drake & Brittney Easley

### Sun Dec 18, 2016

10:45 am - 12:15 pm

Natalie Oakes, Madilyn Moss, Randy & Cassie Gatewood

6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Julia Marlowe

### Wed Dec 21, 2016

6:45 pm - 7:45 pm

Holly St. John

### Sun Dec 25, 2016

10:45 am - 12:15 pm

Carolyn Marlowe, Melissa Waller, Linette Nuckols & Lynita Falls

### Wed Dec 28, 2016

6:45 pm - 7:45 pm

Brenda Reynolds

### Greeters

December 4, 2016	Logan Mills, Jetty Burgess, Guy and Courtney Robertson
December 11, 2016	Paige Conner, Hailey Doss, Julie Ragsdale, Judy Reynolds
December 18, 2016	Madilyn Moss, Shirley Fisher, Julia Marlowe, Emmalee Ayers
December 25, 2016	Jared St. John, Joan Nuckols, Helen Moschler, Melody Collins

### Deacon of the Week(\*)/Usher

December 4, 2016	Jacob Waller*, Terry Moore, Randy Gatewood, Chris Falls
December 11, 2016	Drake Easley*, Earl Nuckols, Adam Lumpkins, Adam Burgess
December 18, 2016	Karle Byrd*, James Lumpkins, David Burgess, Leon Haynes
December 25, 2016	Donnie Moore*, Larry Weiss, Gary Matherly, Chuck Easley



# 2016 Lottie Moon Offering

## BECAUSE YOU GAVE

- 1.75 million people heard a gospel witness
- 275,000 became new believers
- 14,000 new churches and 4,000 new groups were formed
- 21,000 leaders were trained to start new churches
- 444,263 nationals met in on-going Bible studies

Statistics taken from the 2014 Annual Statistical Report available at [imb.org](http://imb.org). Lottie Moon Information also available on [imb.org](http://imb.org).

## *The Mission of the Manger*



As a church, you have set a pledge goal of \$17,360.00, for the 2016 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. As of November 30, 2016, the church has collected \$14,772.00.

2016 Lottie Moon Goal  
\$17,360.00



Lottie Moon Offering in 2016 to date  
\$14,772.00



When we think of the great heroes of our faith, we tend to see them as larger than life. We think surely there must have been something special about them, I could never do that. Lottie Moon is a legendary figure in our faith, every young child learns her story, and the offering that we give to support Worldwide Missions bears her name. But before that she was an ordinary woman with a choice.

Lottie Moon was born right here in Virginia (Albemarle County to be specific), to a wealthy family in 1840. Like many of us, she resisted God until adulthood, and it wasn't until her college years that she accepted Christ. She was an educated woman, receiving a Masters degree in a time when higher education was rare, particularly for women. She was a school teacher for the better part of a decade, before joining her sister as a missionary in China at 32 years of age.

What we often forget about Lottie, is that serving God was not her only option, indeed from the World's prospective it was not the most attractive or popular option. She could have accepted the marriage proposal she had been offered and started a family, she could have continued her teaching career here in the states in relative comfort, or she could follow God and do the radical thing that she felt she was being called to do. In the end she chose to go, likely not knowing that the road ahead would hold severe challenges, including isolation from her family and friends, and mistrust from those whom she went to minister to.

She worked for 39 years she worked in Tengchow and P'ingtu, living among those who feared her, mistrusted her, and rejected her. She returned to the classroom, teaching young women. She adopted local customs, languages, and dress in an effort to make it easier for people to accept the good news that she brought. In the end however, she found a way to spread the gospel that few would have ever thought of. She baked cookies for the children of the village, and in time she became known as 'the cookie lady'. Through these cookies and children, she began to gain the trust of the women in the village, and was able to share the gospel with them.

In her letters home, she asked the Foreign Missions Board to send additional help, but also to warn them that "they are coming to a life of hardship, responsibility and constant self-denial". She challenged Southern Baptist churches to send missionaries, and if they could or would not send people, to raise funds so that others might go. These are the things that we often remember about Lottie, and why we know her name. But the small details, the choices, the perseverance, and the things that we often overlook are what makes this story so amazing. If God can build one of the largest growing churches in the world with a willing heart and a cookie recipe, what can he do with you and I? What choices are we facing that could make us legendary in history of God's kingdom?





## Sunday School's Colossian Challenge

Throughout the month of November, the Sunday School Department encouraged all of its members as well as our church family to read the book of Colossians as many times as they could. There will be one adult, one child and one class prize. The results will be tallied soon and winners announced!

Contests are fun and we all love prizes, but the real benefit from this Challenge is the effect God's Word has on the believer's heart. Reading the same passages over and over plants them deep into our minds. Each time we read, a new portion stands out for us to contemplate.

The Colossians Challenge has ended, but we can continue to live out it's message: Pray always for each other...Christ is ALL we need...His power is INSIDE of us...Be Kind...Be Forgiving...Be Longsuffering...Be Loving...Be thankful...Let God's peace rule our hearts...Whatever we do, do it from the heart, for the Lord!

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Our Sunday School would LOVE for you and your family to join us on Sunday mornings at 10:00 am. We have classes for every age...

NURSERY.....Birth—2

LITTLE LAMBS.....3 & 4 years old

BUSY BEES.....K—2nd grade

BIBLE LEARNERS.....3rd—6th grade

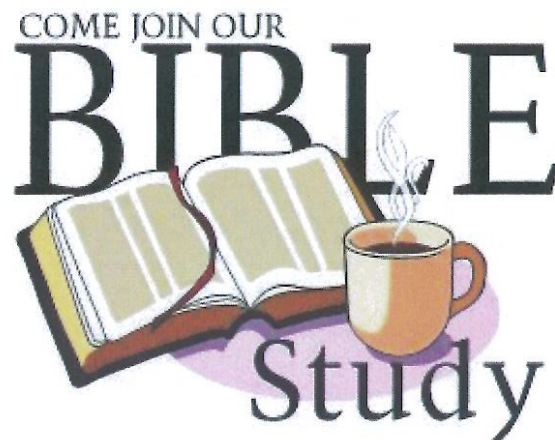
YOUTH.....7th—12th grade

FISH.....18—29 years old

HOMEBUILDERS.....30—44 years old

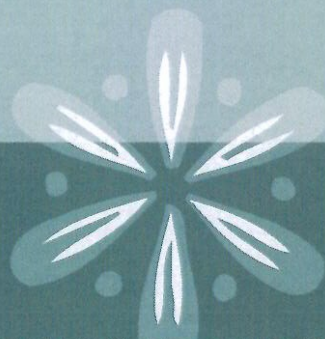
SPARES & PAIRS.....45—64 years old

THE FAITHFUL.....65 years and up



"...(we) do not cease to pray for you, and to ask that you may be filled with the knowledge of His will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding; that you may have a walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing Him, being fruitful in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God;" Col 1: 9-10





A LADIES CRAFT NIGHT WAS HELD ON NOVEMBER 10TH. 27 LADIES ATTENDED AND SHARED DINNER, DEVOTIONAL TIME & LOTS OF FUN. THANKS TO ALL WHO PARTICIPATED & PROVIDED!

A SPECIAL THANKS TO BLAIR LUMPKINS FOR CHOOSING & LEADING US THROUGH THE CRAFT!







Hollywood family, the Lord knew what he was doing when he sent us those extra boxes. This year we filled a record breaking 174 shoeboxes! Thank you so much for your generosity in packing these gifts!

We'll be bringing you updates in the new year about where some of our boxes ended up, shoe box packing tips, and other shoe box information through out the year! Thank you for helping provide these valuable tools to brighten a child's life and share the love of Jesus!

## We Collected!

Age Group # of Boxes

Girls 2-4 10

5-9 59

10-14 19

Boys 2-4 10

5-9 60

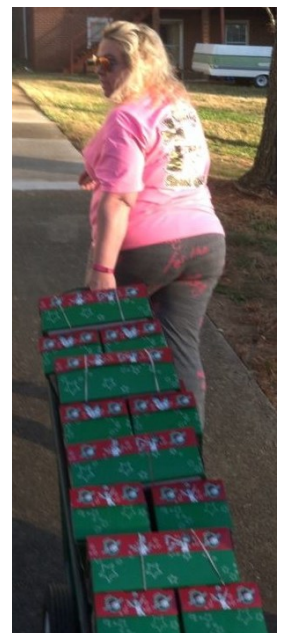
10-14 16

Total **174**



A special thank you goes out to those who helped deliver our shoe boxes:  
James and Susan Holmes,  
and Tom and Julie Ragsdale.

We'd also like to thank our friends at Watson Memorial Methodist Church for serving as a local collection site!





*Join us on December 11 at  
6 pm, for our Christmas Program. Featuring special  
musical performances, a Christmas Play, and more!  
You don't want to miss this very special service!*





The Youth Christmas Party will be held on Sunday, December 4, from 5-7 pm. Please join us for this time of food, fellowship, and fun! We will be hosting a gift exchange, so please bring a wrapped \$5 gift to exchange. We hope to see you there! If you have any questions, please contact Terri or Julie!



As we are enjoying the Christmas season, it is often easy for us to forget that there are members of our community who are struggling. Tough economic times mean that more people than ever are turning to food banks to help make ends meet. An estimated 1 in 7 people rely on services from local food banks to feed themselves and their families.



Join us as we help pack boxes of food at our local food bank to help brighten the Christmases of families who would otherwise face hunger. We will be packing boxes at the Pittsylvania County Food Distribution Center in Gretna at 6:30 pm on December 12.



**On December 14 we will be meeting at the church at 6:45 pm to go Christmas caroling. We will be visiting shut ins and other members of our community to share the joy of the Christmas season through song. Everyone is welcome to join us, talent is appreciated, but not required, all you need is a joyful heart!**

**We'll be singing familiar Christmas classics (so there is no need to fear that you won't know the words). After the singing is done, there will be special treats waiting. So, don your favorite festive apparel and come make a joyful noise!**



Join us and this could be YOU!



**The Ladies of the church will be having their annual Cookie Exchange on Thursday, December 8 at 6:30 pm at the home of Susan Holmes. Bring a batch of your favorite cookies or treats and enjoy a night of sweet treats and fellowship! Make sure to bring a container big enough to carry treats home in! This event is open to all ladies, and we hope to see you there for some festive fun!**



Join us for a Christmas Fellowship Luncheon on December 18. The meal begins right after our morning worship service. Bring your favorite dish to share, and enjoy a time of food and fellowship with your church family!



**On December 21 at 6:45 pm we will be holding a candle light service. The service features music and scripture, and a chance to celebrate our Savior's birthday. We will also be having a morning worship service on Christmas Morning at 11 am. Come celebrate the news with us, that our Savior has come!**





Dear Hollywood Baptist Church,  
Thank you so much for my cup and gift card. I really appreciate your thinking of me. You have always been supportive of my family and me. I appreciate your thoughtfulness very much.

Yours in Christ,  
Hayden G.

To all who helped and contributed to the Community Thanksgiving Meal:  
We blessed (The Lord did!) 97 shut-ins and 303 sit down folks.

Have a Blessed Thanksgiving,  
Rev. Bill Mackey Wisor  
Watson Memorial Friends

Dear Church Family,  
Thank you so very much for all the prayers, visits, cards, and food at mother's homegoing. It was such a blessing and comfort. May the Lord bless you for all you did during these years.  
Nona and Family

## **Baby Showers**

**We are being blessed with two more beautiful babies in the New Year! The church will be hosting a baby shower for Whitney Burnette on January 7 and one for Becky Roberts on January 14. Both showers will be at 11 am in the Church Fellowship Hall. Whitney is expecting a girl and is registered at Target. Becky is expecting a boy and is registered at Target. Anyone interested in helping with either of these showers, please sign up on the sheet across from the associate pastors office.**

## **HOLLYWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH**

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### **Events in January**

**January 7**

**Baby Shower: Whitney Burnette**

**January 14**

**Baby Shower: Becky Roberts**

**January 26-28**

**Men's Prayer Advance**