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DISCIPLESHIP CLASSES: Begin **Wednesday, Jan 17** from 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm in Rm 102, taught by **Dr. Joseph Caplan.**

First series:

Women in the line of the Messiah
 Tamar, Rahab, Ruth, Bathsheba, Mary
 The grace of God even in sordid and tragic circumstances

Second series:

Understanding End Times
 Interpreting Bible Prophecy: The Abrahamic, The Palestinian, The Davidic and New Covenants



Thank you to all who helped make the 2017 Operation Inasmuch "Missions Blitz Day" successful! The Lord provided beautiful weather and lots of hands and feet to do His work. Volunteers worked hard and made the lives of many others brighter for a day. The love of God was shared in many ways. We already have received thank you notes from Edmarc Hospice, Emily Green Shores and the HER shelter for the work done, items made and visits shared. Work even has been continued on two more projects to help out some of our seniors. Thank you to the Steering Team, 14 Churches who provided volunteers, Site Leaders who organized each location, donations that made projects doable, and prayers lifted to an awesome God to make this day possible. We look forward to what 2018 will bring!

Thank You *We cannot find the words to express our gratitude for the generous Love Offering we received from our church family. We are overwhelmed. This takes a huge burden off of us, and relieves a lot of stress. Thank you so much. We feel so blessed!*

Cyndi and Joe Brisson



JMBC Goal is \$14,000 Received to Date: \$700

JACKSON MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH
 4316 Bruce Road, Chesapeake, VA 23321

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CALLED BUSINESS MEETING

Wednesday, December 13

6:30pm in the Sanctuary



LIVE IN CONCERT

VENUE: JACKSON MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH
 4316 Bruce Road, Chesapeake VA 23321

DATE: Sat., Dec. 30, 2017 TIME: 6:30pm

FAMILY, FRIENDS & FAITH



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Sunday Services

9:00 a.m. Life Groups
 (Bible Study)

10:30 a.m. Worship
 11:00 a.m. Kids Worship

Christmas and International Missions

Christmas is a special time of year for all who are united to the Lord Jesus Christ by faith; it is the season where we celebrate the incarnation, the arrival of the One who is both God and man. It also is a time when we look forward to the glorious return of our Lord and Savior. It is a time where we are led by the Holy Spirit to recommit ourselves to living for God by imitating Christ in our lives.

We cannot rightly claim to be followers of Christ if we do not have a burning desire to see the salvation of the lost. After all, that was our Lord's stated reason for coming as a man. He proclaimed that He came to lay down His life as a ransom and to seek and to save the lost (Mark 10:45; Luke 19:10). We Christians have the opportunity every day to represent Christ in the world as we go about our lives. However, as Southern Baptists we have the special privilege of also being part of the proclamation of the Gospel of Christ around the world.

It is not that other denominations do not support world missions; that is not what I am saying, but Southern Baptists have a special Christmas offering that goes directly to the cause of international missions - the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. Every cent given to the Lottie Moon offering goes directly to the overseas budget of the International Mission Board. I wanted to give you some facts and figures concerning the need around the world, so I took the following excerpt from one of our former SBC president's blog at www.ronniefloyd.com: "We must understand the numbers when it comes to those around the world who believe the gospel of Jesus Christ. I served on a task force that assessed our efforts to take the gospel to the world, and the statistics we uncovered are heartbreaking. Only 11 out of every 100 people in this world are willing to claim Jesus as personal Lord and Savior. We also discovered that just over 50 percent of the world's population (almost 4 billion) has no realistic opportunity to hear the gospel at present. The statistics are bad and will continue to get worse unless Spirit-filled Christians begin to act with urgency."

As your pastor, I want to persuade you to continue to give faithfully and sacrificially to the general fund of our church in order to support our ministries here, but I want to encourage you also to consider giving a special gift to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering this holiday season.

The SBC currently has almost 4,000 missionaries serving internationally, and there are many others waiting to go. Sadly, the number of missionaries serving internationally from the SBC has dropped over the past few years, but our gifts to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering will help send more.

For more information on the Lottie Moon Christmas offering and missions of the Southern Baptist Convention, go to www.sbc.net and search "lottie moon".

Merry Christmas,

Pastor Tommy





WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY: Fellowship Hall, 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm, led by Pastor Tommy
The Armor of God - "Be Strong in the Lord," from Ephesians 6:10-20



WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNERS - Sign up with Betsy Gardner on Sunday mornings or call the church office (484-5568) **no later than noon** on Tuesdays. Cost is \$6.00 for adults, free for children 8 and younger. Menu is subject to change. Please check weekly bulletins.

Menu: Dec 6: Chili, Salad, Cornbread, Dessert
Dec 13: Brunswick Stew, Salad, Cornbread, Dessert
The kitchen will be closed until Wednesday, January 10 when Wednesday night dinners will begin again.

DECEMBER OPEN and LOCK-UP TEAM: Bill Winslow and Gary Stone

NEW MEMBERS: Freeman and Bonnie Ward



ATTENTION LADIES: Sign up in the foyer for "Under the Gift Wrap," a Christmas party for the women of the church, to be held on **Dec 5 at 6:30 pm**. Our devotional speaker will be Sandra Barkley. Debbie Chappell will speak on "Hospitality and Decorating for Christmas." Bring a batch of cookies to share, along with socks, gloves or a hat for "Mercy Drops." Childcare or transportation provided by request only.



CHOIR CHRISTMAS CANTATA – The Choir will present "The Arrival" on **Sun, Dec 17 at 6:30 pm** in the JMBC Sanctuary.



CHURCH CHRISTMAS PARTY – **Wednesday, Dec 20 at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall.** Everyone is asked to bring a dessert to share.

CHRISTMAS FOOD BOXES - Christmas boxes will be packed soon, and our pantry is low on several items. We need spaghetti sauce, pasta noodles, peanut butter, jelly, peas, corn, and turkey gravy. Please do not include any out of date items. Any church member who wishes to refer someone for a Christmas Basket, please call the church office (484-5568) by Tuesday, December 19.



International Missions "Compelled" Week of Prayer – Dec 3 – 10, 2017. When you pray for missionaries during the Week of Prayer for International Missions, you support their work of sharing the gospel and serving people. God also transforms lives through our gifts to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. One hundred percent of what we give goes to send missionaries and provide for the work He has given them to do. Lottie Moon Christmas Offering envelopes are in the pew racks.



YEAR END REMINDERS 2017 Contributions

In order for contributions to be deductible in 2017 they must be delivered to the Church Office no later than Friday, December 29th, by 11:00 am **OR** if mailed, **both** the check and mailing envelope must be postmarked by December 31, 2017.

You will not receive your 2017 record of contributions until the later part of January 2018. Upon doing so, please review and if needed, contact Mary Pennington if you have a question.

For your **Online Contribution** to be credited in 2017, it **must be made before 3:00 pm on**



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Calendar for December REGULAR WEEKLY SCHEDULE

MONDAYS	9:30 am	Nifty Knitters (Room 110)
TUESDAYS	10:00 am	Staff Meeting (Conference Room B)
WEDNESDAYS	10:00 am	Ladies Bible Study (Room A14)
	5:15 pm	Church Dinner (Fellowship Hall)
	5:45 pm	Handbells (Music Hall)
	6:30 pm	Adult Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)
		Mission Friends (Preschool Hall)
		Children in Action (Room 222)
		Youth Bible Study (Youth Wing)
		Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
	7:30 pm	
THURSDAYS	6:00 pm	Girl Scouts (Fellowship Hall/Overflow Rm)
SUNDAYS	9:00 am	Life Groups (Bible Study)
	10:30 am	Worship
	11:00 am	Kids Worship
	6:00 pm	Youth Bible Studv (Fellowship Hall)

MEETINGS / SPECIAL EVENTS

2 SAT	4:45 pm	Family Ministry Progressive Dinner
3 SUN	12:00 pm	Distribution of Pictorial Directories (FH)
4 MON	2:00 pm	Senior Adult Christmas Party (Golden Corral, Chesapeake Square)
	6:30 pm	Backpack Ministry Packing (FH)
5 TUES	6:30 pm	Women's Christmas Party (FH)
	7:00 pm	Deacons Meeting (Room 102)
7 THURS	6:00 am	Feeding of the Homeless (OASIS)
	9:00 am	Backpack Delivery (Southwestern Elem)
	10:30 am	Carol Knight Group Mtg (Overflow Rm)
	12:00 pm	Joyful Sounds Christmas Party (FH)
8 FRI	3:00 pm	M. White Life Group Christmas Party (FH)
10 SUN	5:00 pm	Christmas Caroling (meet in FH)
11 MON	6:30 pm	Personnel Committee Meeting (Conf Rm A)
12 TUES	5:00 pm	Senior Adult Ministry Christmas Light Tour
13 WED	6:30 pm	Called Business Meeting (Sanctuary)
14 THURS	10:00 am	JCP Christmas Party (FH)
	7:00 pm	JCP Christmas Program (Sanctuary)
16 SAT	10:00 am	Preschool & Children's Life Group Training (FH)
17 SUN	2:30 pm	Senior Ministry at Emily Green Shores
	6:30 pm	Choir Christmas Program (Sanctuary)
18 MON	7:00 pm	Barbara Deal Group Meeting
19 TUES	6:30 pm	Church Council Meeting (Choir Rm)
20 WED	6:30 pm	Church Family Christmas Party (FH) (all other activities cancelled)
22 FRI		Church Office Closed
25 MON		Church Office Closed
30 SAT	6:30 pm	"Sunday Drive" Live Concert (Sanctuary)

WEEKS IN REVIEW

	Nov 5	Nov 12	Nov 19	Nov 26
LIFE GROUPS (Sunday Bible Study)				
Enrollment	346	346	346	348
Attendance	157	176	179	154
Visitor	2	9	3	3
New Enrollment	0	0	2	2
Total Attendance	159	185	182	157
WORSHIP				
Morning Services	203	203	224	193

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

BUDGET				
Required Per Week	11,630.75	11,630.75	11,630.75	11,630.75
Received	11,357.00	11,078.00	6,830.00	5,834.00
Mid-Week Received	125.00	1,145.00	695.00	330.00
Online Received	2,299.00	300.00	354.00	645.00
Required to Date	523,383.75	535,014.50	546,645.25	558,276.00
Received to Date	480,306.48	492,829.48	500,708.48	507,517.48
BUILDING FUND				
Phase 2 (New Sanctuary)	100.00		10.00	
MISSIONS				
East Asia	50.00			
JMBC Missions		100.00		
Lottie Moon	425.00	125.00		100.00
OTHER				
Benevolent	20.00		25.00	236.00