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MESSAGE FROM PASTOR JOEY!

CHANGES

This weather is sure keeping us on our toes. One week it is in the thirties and the next week it's in the upper seventies. I never seem to know how to dress. But as it has been said, "The only thing that is consistent is change." Hairstyles change, fashions change, people change, and "oh my," how technology has changed. Who would have believed we would have seen the things we have seen?

As a kid, I loved watching Maxwell Smart take off his shoe and use it to make a wireless telephone call. For those who may not remember, *Get Smart* was a television comedy where the main character was a bumbling secret agent who could mess up anything, but yet somehow solve the crime. Now we have video conferences with people in far away places just like Captain Kirk and Spock did on *Star Trek*. Who would have thought such would ever be a reality?

What will the next changes be in this coming year? The uncertainties can be almost frightening. But the good news is that as Christians, we have a God who never changes. He is "*the same yesterday, today and forever*" (Hebrews 13:8). So when the newest gadget, trend or philosophy comes along, the secret of success isn't simply adapting to the change. The secret is holding fast to the Changeless One.

Cyndi and I have been blessed by your generosity and love since we arrived just over a month ago. We want to say thank you so much for your Christmas love gifts. I want to encourage you to again consider a gift to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. Thus far we are still short of our goal. The primary directive Jesus gave to His church was to "Go and make disciples." We may not all be able to go around the world, but we can support those who can. Please consider giving one more Christmas present this season, and support our missionaries.

Pastor Joey

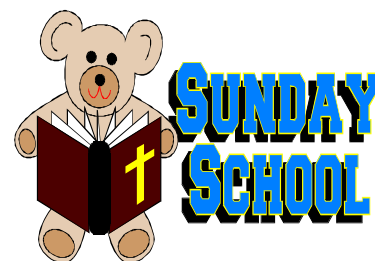
RECEIPTS FOR DECEMBER 2016

General Fund.....	\$36,620.95
Bynum & Alma.....	285.54
Jackson Scholarship	
Scholarship CD Interest ..	141.11
Lottie Moon.....	3,984.00
Christmas Offering	
Christmas Cards	976.15
Memorial/Honorary.....	1,214.00
Candles	
Salemberg Christian.....	275.00
Food Bank	
Youth Ministry	3,674.00
Staff Love Gifts.....	2,905.00
Cemetery Fund	450.00
Baptist Children's.....	1,335.00
Homes	
Santa Workshop Photos ..	369.00
Maintenance and	<u>66.50</u>
Improvements	
Grand Total	\$52,296.25

HELP THE BROTHERHOOD AND YOUTH HELP THE SALEMBURG CHRISTIAN FOOD BANK

Our Brotherhood is helping to support the ministry of the Salemberg Christian Food Bank and would like your assistance. The following item is needed: plastic bags (like those you get at Wal-Mart or Food Lion). Also the youth are helping with the food bank and need the following items: peanut butter, dried beans, bagged rice, and breakfast items. Boxes are available in the old fellowship hall to deposit your items. Thank you for supporting this worthy ministry. **You may also continue to bring coats through the winter months for the Coat Drive.**

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2016



Preschool	04
Children	28
Youth	22
Adults	98
Total	152
Last Month	135
December 2014	141

INFORMATION BOARD

BLOOD DRIVE

A blood drive is scheduled for Saturday, January 16. Please sign up on the glass window. The goal is 30 units. If you know of anyone in the area that might be interested in donating, please have them contact Annette Cash (910.474.3834).

SCHOLARSHIP

The Scholarship Committee is now accepting applications for the Spring Semester. Fall Semester Recipients need to turn in a copy of their grades to the committee. This will serve as their application for the Spring Semester. New applicants can get an application form from the church office. The deadline for applications will be Sunday, January 10, 2016. Applications can be turned in to the church office or to a committee member.

SKI TRIP

The Ski Trip this coming year will be February 5-7, 2016. Erika needs to know if your child plans to attend and if they will ski, snowboard or tube ASAP.

WOMEN'S RETREAT

A sign-up sheet for those interested in attending the Women's Retreat at Camp Caswell February 26-28, 2016 is on the glass window. Cost for the Women's Retreat will be \$155.00.

Calendar

YOUTH NEWS

Sunday Evening
January 3, 10, 24 & 31
6:00 PM — Youth Meeting

Sunday, January 3
7:00 PM — Youth Council

Sunday, January 10
Soup Lunch for GEM after
Worship Service

Wednesday, January 13
6:30 PM — Youth to Food
Bank

Saturday, January 16
8:00 AM
Food Bank Distribution Day

Wednesday, January 27
7:00 PM — Youth Meeting

FLOWERS

January 3
Denise Hobson

January 10
Tony and Sherry Martin

January 17
Allen and Susan Carroll

January 24
Cynthia Autry

January 31
Jimmy and Sandra Tew

February 7
Open at this time

WMU NEWS

MEETING DATES

Monday, January 4
7:00 PM - WMU #2

Wednesday, January 6
3:00 PM - WMU #1

Monday, January 27
7:00 PM - BYW

Wednesday, January 6 & 20
7:00 PM
Mission Friends, Acteens,
GA's and RA's

NURSERY WORKERS

January 3
Marshall and Stephanie Naylor

January 10
Craig and Caren Holland

January 17
James and Joan Tew

January 24
Shannon Jackson and
Carrie Jean Autry

January 31
Johnnie and Jill Holland

February 7
Allison Hargrove and
Kenady Hargrove

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

WORKERS

Group 1 - January 3
Aaron Jackson
Shannon Jackson
Jennifer Naylor
Logan Baggett
Lane Baggett

Group 2 - January 10
Troy Register
Tonya Register
Craig Holland
Caren Holland
Brooke Dienhart

Group 3 - January 17
Marshall Naylor
Stephanie Naylor
Johnnie Holland
Jill Holland
Cary Booyer

Group 4 - January 24
Simone Myers
Brandi Edge
Megan Daniels-West
Daniel Tew
Tye Mullins

Group 5 - January 31
Terry Williams
Heather Williams
Sydney Williams
Lee Masters
Jessica Masters

Group 6 - February 7
Anthony Williams
Melody Williams
Abbey Barefoot
Lisa Knowles
Brittney Knowles

NEWS FROM OUR SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTOR

Year 2015, is now in the history books. I don't know of anyone with a time machine. I know there have been lots of times that I would like to have access to one. This statement is probably true of most everyone that reads this article. It is true that we can't go back and change the past, but we can learn from it. If we don't learn from our past mistakes and failures, we are sure to repeat them in the future. This is one thing that history teaches us.

2016 begins a new year for all of us. We have all had trials and temptations during the past year. This is something that the Bible explains is going to happen. Nowhere does the Bible promise us prosperity and a trouble free life. This a misconception that a lot of Christians have as well as a lot of churches place great emphasis on. The Bible does tell us that we will suffer for Christ. We only have to watch the news or read the newspaper to see how Christians around the world are suffering for Christ. It is something that is hard for us as a free nation to understand. Because it doesn't happen to us or to someone we know, we are disconnected from it. We see and hear it, but we really don't feel it.

As time passes on, the church is going to become under persecution no matter what country you live in. We live in a time where God's word is considered irrelevant and dated. I had someone tell me one time that the Bible is more like a book of fairy tales than a depiction of real events. You either believe all of the Bible, or none of it. There is no gray area. God is a righteous God who does not tolerate sin of any degree. We like to pick and choose which of God's commands we will follow. We are guilty of standing on a soapbox and pointing out how bad others are living when we are secretly living like America's most wanted. That isn't the example that Jesus showed us in God's Word. Jesus touched others and changed lives through love. I am talking about a genuine heartfelt love of others. The kind of love that puts others ahead of ourselves. You ask how do Christians change the world. We change the world through a self sacrificing love for others. We change the world by following Jesus's example, by practicing what we preach, by going deeper into God's word, but most of all, we change the world through prayer. This is certainly an area of my life that I need to work on in 2016. I need to become a prayer warrior. We all need to be prayer warriors. We are in a war. We are in a spiritual war for eternity. We can't sit idly by while we wait for our time on this earth to pass. I haven't read anywhere in the Bible where this is what we were called to do. We are to be a witness to others and share God's word no matter where we are at. For 2016, we need to put on the "WHOLE" armor of God and march into battle. We sing songs like "Onward Christian Soldiers," "To be like Jesus" and "Victory in Jesus". We sing the words but fail to get the message from song.

There will be a lot of New Year's resolutions made. The resolutions area only as good as our commitment to keeping them. Let's all be more committed to Christ and living as Christ. If we do this for 2016, we will change the world.

Sincerely,

Scott Brown



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



January Birthdays

- 1 Kelly Calaway
Benjamin Edwards
Braylon Knowles
Janice Strickland
- 5 Noah Edwards
- 6 Dale Fann
- 7 Lynn Dienhart
Cheri Coats
- 8 Landon Byrd
Sherry Martin
- 9 Melissa Stone
- 10 Sheral Daniels
Christy Holland
Joan Peacock
Jimmy Tew

- 11 Russell Knowles
Daniel Stone
- 12 Terry Daniels
Vadie McLamb
Simone Myers
- 13 Caren Holland
- 14 Megan Wrench
- 16 Alison Beltz
Ava Bunn
- 18 Ricky Daniels
Janice Peterson
- 19 Laura Honeycutt
Ben Tew
Lynn Tew
- 20 Gail Holland
Faith House

- 22 Hannah Tew
- 25 Susan Matthews
James Tew, Sr.
- 26 Jill Holland
Glenda Jackson
- 27 Hope Nance
- 28 Bonnie Autry
Richard Johnson III
Mary Page
Monica Spencer
Scott Wrench
- 29 Donna Wrench
- 30 Vanessa Tew
Sabrina Williams
- 31 Jason Honeycutt
Shelby Johnson
Wilton Page

February Birthdays

- 1 Tye Mullins
- 2 Kevin Jackson
Amy Pope
- 3 Diane Butler
Aaron Jackson
- 4 Traci Hendrix
Aubrey Williams
- 5 Erica Holloman
Kenny Jackson
Lisa Knowles
- 6 Grant Naylor
Danielle Tew
Anthony Williams
Heather E. Wrench
- 9 Nathan Carroll
Jerry Tyndall



Keith Butler handcrafted and donated the small wooden church located on the communion table at the front of the church. The wooden church is used for birthday offerings during opening assembly on Sunday morning. If you have had a birthday during the week, then you can come forward and place an offering while the congregation sings Happy Birthday. The offering will go towards missions. Because of low attendance at opening assembly, we want to make this available to everyone at church. Between Sunday School and worship service (10:45-11 am), you can place money in the church if you were not able to make opening assembly. However, you can only be sung to if you attend opening assembly. All offerings are welcome.

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Our Services

Our Staff
Joey Cantrell - Pastor
Craig Page - Minister of Music
Erika Wrench - Minister to Youth
Angela Tyndall - Secretary

Sunday
9:15 AM - Prayer
9:45 AM - Sunday School
11:00 AM - Worship
6:00 PM - Bible Study

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