

May the good news of the Savior's birth bring you hope, peace, and joy this Christmas season.

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Our Mission...

"A people gathered in Christ; nurtured in His Spirit; and sent in His name."

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THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Sunday, December 20, 2009 10:45 a.m. Fourth Sunday of Advent

Channels

For God So Loved...His Greatest Gift John 3:16, Isaiah 9:6 Ramon Smith Sunday, December 27, 2009 10:45 a.m.

Angels We Have Heard on High Go, Tell It on the Mountain Sanctuary Choir

A NOTE FROM MARY

Christmas Creed

I believe in Jesus Christ and in the beauty of the gospel begun in Bethlehem.

I believe in the one whose spirit glorified a little town; and whose spirit still brings music to persons all over the world, in towns both large and small.

I believe in the one for whom the crowded inn could find no room, and I confess that my heart still sometimes wants to exclude Christ from my life today.

I believe in one whom the rulers of the earth ignored and the proud could never understand; whose life was among common people, whose welcome came from persons of hungry hearts. <u>.</u>

I believe in the one who proclaimed the love of God to be invincible. I believe in the one whose cradle was a mother's arms, whose modest home in Nazareth had love for its only wealth, who looked at persons and made them see what God's love saw in them, who by love brought sinners back to purity, and lifted human weakness up to meet the strength of God.

I confess my ever-lasting need of God: The need of forgiveness for our selfishness and greed, the need of new life for empty souls, the need for love for hearts grown cold.

I believe in God who gives us the best of himself. I believe in Jesus, the son of the living God, born in Bethlehem this night, for me and for the world. -anonymous

International Missions Offering

Our Goal: \$25,000.00

Received to Date:Lottie Moon\$8,522.00CBF Global2,682.25Total Received\$11,204.25

Offering Envelopes for 2010 Offering Envelopes for the coming year have been placed in the Sunday School classrooms. Those who are not Sunday School members will find their envelopes at the Welcome Desk. Please do not begin using these envelopes until January 2010.

Donors, please be advised not to file your federal income tax return before you receive your 2009 contribution summary from the church. You may not be able to deduct individual contributions of \$250 or more if you file a tax return before receiving your statement.

Bryson May

came on August 30 requesting membership upon his profession of faith in Jesus Christ. He was baptized on October 11, 2009.

Called Church Conference Sunday, January 3 10:45 a.m.

You are invited to join us as we celebrate Christ's coming:

December 20, Sunday Morning Fourth Sunday of Advent Featuring Channels

> **December 24, 5 pm** Christmas Eve Service



YOUTH MINISTRY

Junior/Senior Retreat to Gatlinburg

January 16-18

Attention all high school Juniors and Seniors! You are invited to this year's Junior/Senior Leadership Retreat which is being held in Gatlinburg on January 16-18. We will leave after all the basketball games are over on Saturday, and we will return just before dinner on Monday. The cost for the retreat is \$100. All the other details are in the information packets which are available at the Welcome Center, in the youth room, or on Facebook. Sign-up deadline is Sunday, January 10. Make sure you don't miss it!

COLLEGE MINISTRY

College Sunday Morning Worship

Our College Ministry will be leading morning worship on either Sunday, December 27 or January 3. It is a fitting way to begin a new year with our young men and women leading us. Please make every effort to be here. College students, please let Jeff know if you want to be a part of this service.

RECREATION MINISTRY

Hoops4Him Basketball	Games schedule
Saturday, December 19	
9:00 AM	Junior Boys Basketball - Mt. Tabor UMC
9:00 AM	Senior Boys Basketball - Calvary Baptist
10:30 AM	Intermediate Boys Basketball - St. John's Lutheran
11:30 AM	Girls Basketball - Old Town Baptist

SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY

College Parkers

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Thursday, December 17

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Cameron Kent, news anchor for WXII, will be the guest at the *College Parkers* Christmas luncheon. He will introduce his new book. The lunch is on December 17, and will begin at 11:30. Instead of the usual covered-dish lunch, the meal will be served at the tables. This prepared meal requires reservations that were due by December 11. The cost of the meal will be \$7.00, payable at the door.

In appreciation to our College Park family for your prayers, love and support throughout this year, the Sauers family invites you to an Open House on Friday, January 1, 2010, 11:00 - 4:00 2911 Good Hope Road RSVP 793-6313

CRISIS CON†ROL MINISTRY Gift for December:

Canned Tuna or Salmon

Received last month at CPBC: • 38 boxes of pasta

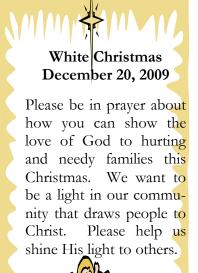
- 38 boxes of pasta 18 rolls of toilet tissue
- *18 rous of tonet ussue 2 tubes of toothpaste*
- 2 tubes of toothpaste
 4 cans of vegetables

"Whatever you do for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you do for me." Matthew 25:40

<u>IN THE</u> HOSPITAL

Our prayers and support are offered to the following members of our church family who are, or have been in the hospital during the last two weeks:

> Karly Bertram Irv Grogan Bobby Hunt John Snodgrass



Ramon E. Smith, Senior Pastor Jeff Allen, Assoc. Pastor/ Students & Families Mary Keltner, Assoc. Pastor/Music & Education Jason Cogdill, Minister of Senior Adults & Congregational Care Charles D. Edwards, Pastor Emeritus

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STEWARDSHIP OF SERVICE

Worship Nursery Workers

- December 20 Rachel Eller Kelsey Phillips Chris Morris Stefanie Morris Kevin Tuttle Christy Tuttle
- December 27 Trudy Elkins Julie Barnes Elizabeth Hinson Jason Hunn Lana Hunn Melissa May Lora Clayton

Greeters

December 20 Russell Talley Kate Thomas

December 27 Ann Baker David Voss

David Voss

December 20 Charlie Jones Properties Committee December 27 Bobby Hunt

Information Center for DecemberBob BakerTrudy Elkins

Dec. 20 - Dec. 26 Larry Burnett

Deacon of the Week Dec. 27 - Jan. 2 Cecelia Cauble

Wednesday, December 23

No Family Night Supper

Wednesday, December 30

No Family Night Supper

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP THRU DEC. 13

Budget Requirement To Date	\$787,291.44
Budget Receipts To Date (92.95%)	\$731,804.03
Building Fund to Date	\$149,220.21

ATTENDANCE STATISTICS

DECEMBER 6 Sunday School Morning Worship Brookridge	236 282 44
DECEMBER 13 Sunday School Morning Worship Brookridge	241 352 42



"History Highlight"

Christmas was celebrated with two new events in December 1981. The first was the dedication and lighting of the Chrismon tree. "Chrismon"

combines the words Christ and monogram, and all of the decorations on the tree are white and gold ornaments which reflect Christian beliefs and symbols. The second event was the live nativity scene, with church members building the manger and reenacting the night of Christ's birth. In 1983, the live nativity scene was repeated, but this was the year that the sheep escaped, prompting a frantic and exciting search which attracted national attention. The AWOL sheep was caught on Christmas Eve and was returned safely.