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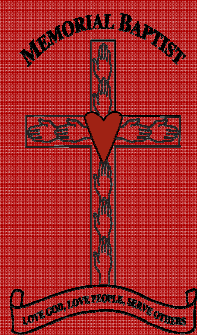
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The Heartbeat

Newsletter

Love God, Love People, Serve Others.



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Merry Christmas from Memorial Baptist Church

JOIN US

Kidz Praise Christmas Musical
Straight Out of Bethlehem
Sunday, December 16 at 10:50 A.M.

Christmas Eve Communion Service
Monday, December 24 at 5 P.M.

Perspectives

From the Pastor's heart.....

Christmas is often referred to as *"the most wonderful time of the year."* There's even a Christmas song that boldly portrays that phrase. For many of us, however, it falls far short of wonderful. In fact, for many of us it would qualify more as **INCONVENIENT**.

About ten years ago, Deb and I heard a songwriter by the name of Kyle Matthews do a Christmas-flavored concert for a Christmas banquet for a group of ministers and their spouses. His songs carried a predominantly interesting twist to the characteristically merry Christmas scenario. One song was even entitled, **Inconvenient Christmas**. The words went like this.....

Among the bills that I received was a postcard marked
"Apology

The Christmas gifts you ordered aren't in stock."

So I packed up the kids for Grandpa's house,
Then a blizzard blew in and the car broke down;
So, we shared a quart of eggnog at a truck stop.

And I said, "Kids, this is unfortunate.
You think it's bad? Well it's inconvenient."

But the most inconvenient Christmas ever was,
Was the first one, when God came so far
to give himself to us.

So when the stress hits each December,
How it helps me to remember
God is with us most when things just can't get worse.
The most inconvenient Christmas ever was,
was the first.

By the time we got to Grandpa's house
His Christmas lights had burned it down;
So we had to take him home to live with us.
But he couldn't stand to leave the farm,
So now there's cattle in our yard;
Sheep on the rug, pigs in the tub, and a rooster at dawn.

And I said, "Now honey, this is unfortunate.
You think this is bad, well it's inconvenient."



A young girl expects a child she can't explain,
Forced to walk a hundred miles
just to give birth in the hay;
While the king in that same hour
Fearing challenge to his power
Sent his troops to track him down and wipe them out.
Yep, hands down...

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Was the first one, when God came so far
to give himself to us.
So when the stress hits each December,
How it helps me to remember
God is with us most when things just can't get worse.
The most inconvenient Christmas ever was,
was the first.

Despite my earnest wishes, I cannot guarantee that you'll have "a **convenient** Christmas" this year. I can, however, guarantee you that *"the most **inconvenient** Christmas ever"* was provided by God at great cost so that we could know that He will never leave us or forsake us.

May His love fill your hearts, your homes, and your lives
this Christmas.

Pastor Mike



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THANKS/MEMORIAL

Deepest sympathy to the family of Narvilla Woody.

Deepest sympathy to the family of Barry Lynch,
husband of Glenda.

Deepest sympathy to the family of Bob Banks,
brother of David Banks.

Thank you for the lovely flowers and for the delicious dinner following the service. Your kind expression of sympathy and friendship will always remain in our memories, Thank you for your thoughtfulness.

The Family of Narvilla Woody

OTHER EVENTS THIS MONTH

GYF LUNCHEON & MEETING

Tuesday, December 4

Christmas Party in Fellowship Hall at 12 NOON. Bring a \$5-\$10 gift. Come join in the fun!

GYF TRIP

Derby Dinner Playhouse

Irving Berlin's *Holiday Inn* will be showing on Wednesday, December 5 at 1 P.M. in Clarksville, IN.

KIDZ PRAISE CHRISTMAS MUSICAL

Straight Outta Bethlehem

Sunday, December 16 at 10:50 A.M.

DRESS REHEARSAL is Sun., Dec. 2 at 5 P.M. in Kidz Cove, Sun., Dec. 9 at 5 P.M. in Worship Center and Wed., Dec. 12 at 6 P.M.

LADIES CHRISTMAS PARTY

Monday, December 17 at 6 P.M. at Deb Colston's home at 102 Papago Trail. Bring an dish and a \$5-\$10 gift.

XTREME WINTER 2018

December 29-31 in Gatlinburg, TN

Cost is \$100 per person.

MISSIONS

MBC SOUP KITCHEN DAY

ACCESS SOUP KITCHEN & MEN'S SHELTER

We serve lunch on the third Tuesday of the month at 12 NOON. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Kathey Parr at 502-545-0449 or kylerskathey@yahoo.com. We are collecting hats, gloves, scarves and socks for the people at the soup kitchen. Please bring and put in box.

SIMON HOUSE MINISTRIES

Simon House is a nonprofit transitional living facility for homeless adult women who are pregnant or have children. In collaboration with other agencies and organizations, we provide a safe, stable, and healthy environment that encourages, educates, and empowers residents to become self-sufficient and productive members of our community and the larger society. They are in need of the following supplies: shampoo, conditioner, hair products, deodorant, lotions, toothbrushes, toothpaste, bath & hand soap, dish and laundry soap, paper towels and cleaning products.

MUSIC TOGETHER® CLASSES BEGIN IN JANUARY!

This upcoming session, your little ones (ages 0-5) will love jumping and hiding in "John the Rabbit" and "Sneak and Peek." You'll all be mesmerized by the beautiful lullaby, "Arroró, mi niño" and enjoy the catchy rhythms of "Jim Jam Drummer." In addition to nine weekly classes, tuition includes audio recordings to play at home and on the go, a colorful illustrated family songbook, and resources with bonus music-making ideas to try at home. Email Marilyn White at marilynssonggarden@gmail.com for more information.

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

Monday, December 24 and Tuesday, December 25

Monday, December 31 and Tuesday, January 1, 2019.

For the Record

	Sunday Oct. 28	Sunday Nov. 04	Sunday Nov. 11	Sunday Nov. 18	Sunday Nov. 25	Totals
<i>Bible Study</i>	98	97	99	98	87	
<i>Worship Service</i>	112	110	122	106	95	
Contributions given in memory of Narvilla Woody & Barry Lynch.						
<i>Budget Offerings</i>	4,888.00	4,084.25	4,844.00	8,060.00	4,242.00	26,118.25
<i>Lord OT Harvest</i>	765.00	1,100.00	800.00	3,274.00	980.00	6,919.00
<i>Designated Gifts</i>	141.50	1,128.00	195.50	221.50	352.50	2,039.00
<i>Total Gifts</i>	5,794.50	6,312.25	5,839.50	11,555.50	5,574.50	35,076.25

MEETINGS THIS MONTH

DEACON MEETING

Sunday, December 9
at 12:15 P.M.

BUSINESS MEETING

Wed., Dec. 12 at 6 P.M.

DEACON ORDINATION

for Linda Young
Sunday, Dec. 30
6 P.M.

DECEMBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 Ty Gaines
2 Michelle Anglin Bill Jones Bible Study, 9:30 A.M. Worship Service, 10:50 A.M. Kidz Praise, 5 P.M.	3	4 Stephanie Starkey GYF Christmas Party, 12 NOON	5 Kay Quire Bible Study, 10 A.M. Awana, 6 P.M. Bible Study & Prayer Mtg., 6 P.M. Worship Prep, 7:30 P.M.	6	7 Karen Cook Bill Parrent	8
LOTTIE MOON OFFERING WEEK OF PRAYER 2-9						
9 Bible Study, 9:30 A.M. Worship Service, 10:50 A.M. Deacon Mtg., 12:15 A.M. Kidz Praise Dress Rehearsal, 5 P.M.	10 Dawn Welch	11	12 Alan Beghtol Bible Study, 10 A.M. Kidz Praise Dress Rehearsal, 6 P.M. Business Mtg. & Prayer Mtg., 6 P.M. Worship Prep,	13	14	15 Olivia Griffin Tracy Hawkins
16 Bible Study, 9:30 A.M. Kidz Praise Christmas Program, 10:50 A.M.	17 Amy Dungan Bill Wallace Linda Whitt Ladies Annual Christmas Party, 6 P.M.	18 Bonnie Feeback Soup Kitchen Day, 12 NOON	19 Riley Welch Bible Study, 10 A.M. Bible Study & Prayer Mtg., 6 P.M. Worship Prep, 7:30 P.M.	20	21	22
23 Bible Study, 9:30 A.M. Worship Service, 10:50 A.M.	24 Martha Evilsizor Christmas Eve Communion Service, 5 P.M.	25 Christmas Day	26 No ACTIVITIES	27 Lee Meadows	28 Millie McClain	29 <div>Xtreme Winter Youth Event Dec. 29-31</div>
30 Bible Study, 9:30 A.M. Worship Service, 10:50 A.M. Deacon Ordination, 6 P.M.	31 New Year's Eve Alexis Gaines <div>CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED</div>					

Sunday Schedule

Children & Youth Bible Study	9:30 - 10:40 A.M.
Adult Bible Study	9:40 - 10:40 A.M.
Sunday Worship	10:50 A.M. - 12 NOON

Wednesday Schedule

Adult Bible Study	10 A.M.
Adult Prayer & Bible Study	6 - 7:30 P.M.
Awana (age 3 - 8 th)	6 - 7:30 P.M.
Worship Preparation	7:30 - 9 P.M.

SUNDAY WORKERS

We would like to remind everyone that our contract with the cleaning people does not include the cleaning of the Bible Study classrooms or the kitchen/fellowship hall. Contact the church office if you would like to volunteer your time to help around the church. God has gifted each of us with abilities so we can make a contribution to His kingdom. Don't wait to be recruited, but look for opportunities to volunteer. If you would like to volunteer for one of the categories below, please contact the leader for that group.

	December 2	December 9	December 16	December 23	December 30
Ushers (Jim Franklin 352-1556)	Bill Wallace David Banks Graham Duvall Bill Evilsizor	Guy Gilbert Rick Nesselrode	Jim Franklin David Collins Nick Dungan David Starkey David White	Bob Fentress Alan Beghtol Sonny Clark Steve Lanphierd Benny Young	Bill Wallace David Banks Graham Duvall Bill Evilsizor
Noah's Ark - Crib-2 Yr. (Paula Collins 226-4450)	Lexi & TJ Gaines	Denise Gibson Ruth Wiley	Nick & Amy Dungan	Kevin & Lindsey James	Steve & Janet Lanphierd
The Garden - 3-4 Yr. (Stephanie Starkey 352-7972)	Erin Wheeler	Lindsay James	Kathey Parr	Becky Devore	Stephanie Starkey
Narthex Workers (Donna Jones 695-4527)	Kathey Parr Sharon Parrent	Alan Beghtol Bill Evilsizor	Benny & Linda Young	Mark & Debbie Hatfield	Pam Hershey Donna Jones
Sunday Van Driver (Jim Franklin 229-6030)	Jim Franklin	Brian & Karen Tackett	David White	Bill Wallace	Jim Franklin
Lock-up	Chris Bowen	Chris Bowen	Chris Bowen	Chris Bowen	Chris Bowen
Worship Prayer Ministry	Graham Duvall	Bonnie Feedback	Bob Fentress	Betty Mason	Bill Jones
Deacon Door Greeter (David Banks 695-9222)	<u>Narthex</u> Jim Franklin <u>Hallway</u> Chris Bowen	<u>Narthex</u> Pam Hershey <u>Hallway</u> Brian Tackett	<u>Narthex</u> John Wilhite <u>Hallway</u> David Starkey	<u>Narthex</u> Ruth Wiley <u>Hallway</u> John Wilhite	<u>Narthex</u> John Reed <u>Hallway</u> Jim Franklin
Prayer for Pastor	Ruth Wiley	David Starkey	David Banks	Brian Tackett	Yvonne Beghtol
Wired Worship Dianna Moore (502-319-0059)	Janet Lanphierd	David White	Erin Wheeler	Dianna Moore	Linda Young



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Future Events

Every Church. Every Nation.

It's more than a catch phrase. It's at the core of what we do. We believe every church—and every church member—has a critical role to play in bringing the gospel to the world. Your church's participation in the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering is a key part of that.

Your Gifts Transform Lives

Because you and your church give to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, IMB missionaries can take the gospel to unreached peoples around the world. Every dollar you give makes a difference, because 100% of the money collected goes to the work of reaching every nation.

The **LMCO** national goal this year is \$160 million. Your partnership will send and empower an ever-increasing, Christ-exalting force of men and women to pursue the nations for the glory of his name. Give to **LMCO** today.



MBC Lottie Moon Offering Goal \$1,100