

## The Balfour Bugle

# **Newsletter of Balfour Baptist Church**

1642 N Fayetteville St Asheboro, NC 27203

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## From Pastor Gary

We are well into the month of December and things are a bit different from the years gone by. We have certainly missed our Choir's Cantata and Christmas skits from our youth and children. We were blessed last week to have Dr. Todd Lafferty and his wife Susan with us. I believe that they were the best, so far, with our missionary speakers. This Sunday, December 20<sup>th</sup>, we will be having a baptismal service along with our yearly ingathering for our Lottie Moon Missions Offering. I will be bringing the Christmas message this morning. For the evening service, it will be broadcast on the internet with my son, Caleb Mason, bringing the message. This Thursday, December 24th at 8:00pm, we will be holding our annual Christmas Eve Worship Service. This service will involve our taking of "The Lord's Supper" to honor the Birthday of Jesus. We will gather once again on December 27th for Sunday Morning Worship as I will be bringing a "Past Christmas" message. Let us focus on honoring God and with being grateful for His sending us the" Greatest Christmas Gift Ever Given," Jesus!

### **EXTENSION MEMBERS – PRAYER LIST**

#### **Nursing Homes**

Carolyn Barnes, Linda Cockerham, Faye Dunning (Clapp's)

Brenda Williams (Brookstone Haven) Lounette Ingold (Cross Road)

#### Live at Home

Joe & Kat Church Betty Dyer Joline Mills Uzina Morris Juanita Moody Raeford & Mary Lee Routh

## **From Pastor Mark**

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, first of all Wanda and I would like to thank YOU all for your kindness and love in the season we celebrate our Lord and Savior's birth for your support of cards and other gifts you so freely gave in this season. Praying that you all had a wonderful Christmas and the happiest of New Years as we see 2020 getting out of here! Please remember that just because it's a New Year doesn't mean we're out of the woods with the sickness of Covid-19. Please be praying that the hand of God will continue to spare and protect us all here at Balfour and pray for those who have gotten sick during this time. Remember those who have lost loved ones this past year and those who need a spiritual healing from our Savior. Thank YOU all for your continue support for the ministry here at Balfour as you pray for us and ask for the Holy Spirit to guide us and move forward with the Blessings of God. One last thing, please don't forget the BBQ on January 9TH from 11-7 or as we might run out. I've put a sheet in the welcome center if you would like to sign up for BBQ and pay me, the day of the event I'll have our church family BBQ in the fellowship hall for easy pick up. Once again, we love and are praying for you! Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, Pastor Mark

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

<u>CUOC Item:</u> The month of January is lima beans. <u>OFFICE CLOSED:</u> Friday, January 1<sup>st</sup>, for New Year's Day. Please have all end of year offerings into the office by 12:00 noon Thursday, December 31<sup>st</sup>.

<u>**DEACONS MEETING:</u>** Thursday, January 14<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30pm in the fellowship hall.</u>

MERCY'S WELL IN CONCERT: Sunday, January 17<sup>th</sup>, 6:00pm.

<u>NEWSLETTER DEADLINE</u> Monday, January 25<sup>th</sup>. Please send in all thank you notes, announcements, etc.

## **THANK YOU**

Ladies of Balfour: I apologize for this being late. I was waiting on some donations that were turned in later. A Big Thank You for your donations for feed the locals first. We collected 230 items. Thank You Again. If you have items in the future you would like to donate, you may go to their website feedthelocalsfirst. There is a phone number listed that you may call.

The Ladies of Balfour would like to wish you and your families a Very Merry and Blessed Christmas.

#### **SYMPATHY**

<u>A heartfelt sympathy</u> goes out to Joe & Kat Church in the loss of their daughter, Betsy Church.

## **MEMORIAL DONATIONS**

**Donations** have been given in memory of **Betsy Church** by Roger & Brenda Pritchard, Joe & Toppy Kearns, Jack & Nancy Cagle, Richie & Debbie Hughes, Bonnie Davenport & Becky Howard for the General Fund.

<u>Donations</u> have been given in memory of **Bobby** Crisco by Johnny & Carol Andrews for the general fund.

<u>Donations</u> have been given in memory of Judy Hedgpeth and in honor of the Woodrow Sunday School Class by Charles & Sandra Allen for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

#### FINANCIAL CASH REPORT

Copies of the Financial Cash Reports for business meetings are available on the front pew.

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