



Balfour Baptist Church News

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Pastor Mark

Greetings Folks, wow, can you believe that another year has come and gone? May our PRAYER be that the Lord Jesus Christ will find us Faithful this coming New Year, and that we have received the Christ child into our hearts and lives this past Christmas? As our world continues to spin itself out of control and people are wondering which way to go or to turn, may HE use us to show them the light and love that came to give them new life and that the Spirit of God wants to come and dwell within them as they discover HIS redeeming blood for their lives. Let me say a big THANK YOU for all you gave to the Lottie Moon Offering this year as we surpassed our goal! Also, Wanda and I want to say THANK YOU for the love you have shown to us during this special of with the gifts and cards that was given to us. A big shout out goes to Gary Jones and the choir for the cantata that pointed folks to Jesus and the actors in the drama along with the kids that sang, wow our God is so good! To our Awana commandeers and teachers that helped get the kids ready for the night service with their Christmas songs and to the youth department and the youth for their singing, we were blessed by the songs and voices that lifted the name of Jesus for this Christmas season!

Folks I believe that the Lord is getting us ready for HIS will to be done here at Balfour and as we move forward in this New Year may we keep our eyes fixed on HIM and wait upon the Lord to lead and guide us. Blessings to you and your families as we serve HIM! Blessings and Love, Pastor Mark

EXTENSION MEMBERS – PRAYER LIST

Nursing Homes

Linda Cockerham, Betsy Glasgow (Clapp's)
Mozelle Hunt, Martha Gazaway, Billie Jarrett (Brookdale)
Brenda Williams (Brookstone Haven)
Marshall McMasters (TerraBella)
Virginia Coley (Westchester Harbour)
Peggy McKenzie (North Pointe)
Pat Glass (Mt. Vista Health Park)

Live at Home

Virginia Cole	Hilda Handley
Mary Cordrey	Rosalyn Scheid
Fannie Sherron	Mike & Nancy Meekins

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CUOC ITEM: The month of January is **TBA**.

OFFICE CLOSED: Monday, January 1st, for New Year's Day.

AWANA LEADERS MEAL & MEETING: Wednesday, January 3rd, at 5:15pm in the fellowship hall. Contacts are Hope Kinder & Katie Jones.

ASHEBORO PRAYER WALK: Saturday, January 6th, begins at 9:00am in the parking lot of the county courthouse. Come join us as we pray for our city.

WMU MEETING: The WMU Meeting will be January 9th, at 11:00am in the fellowship hall.

MEN'S BREAKFAST: Wednesday, January 10th, at 8:30am at JED'S. All men are welcome to come enjoy food, fellowship, and fun. Contact is Pastor Mark.

DEACONS MEETING: Thursday, January 11th, at 6:00pm in the church office.

MERCY'S WELL IN CONCERT: Mercy's Well will be in concert Sunday, January 21st, at 6:00pm. We will receive a love offering at the end of the service.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: Please send in all thank you notes, announcements, etc., by Monday, January 22nd.

MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETING: Sunday, January 28th, following the PM Service.

AWANA MINISTRIES

Every Wednesday Evening, 6:15 – 7:30pm, we will have Awana Ministries for all children ages 3 through Grade 5. We will resume on Wednesday, January 3rd, at 6:15pm. All children are welcome to come and learn more about Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Tim & Sheri Millikan on the birth of a grandson, Brody Passmore. He was born December 14, 2023, and weighed 6 lbs. and was 21 inches long.

THANK YOU NOTES

Dear Mark & Carolyn, it was a pleasure meeting you and the staff and the church Sunday, December 3rd, and a privilege to speak on behalf of the IMB and the lost who need the gospel. Thank you for your impact in the community and in missions. I am still remembering the one with a list of 195 names who are lost. Blessings to you, your families, and the church this Christmas season. Albert

Dear Balfour Church, thank you for all the sympathy cards, acts of kindness, the beautiful flower arrangement, and especially your prayers during the loss of my brother. It has been a difficult time for my family and me. Also, thank you for all the Christmas Cards, expressions of appreciation and the gifts you have given me for Christmas. You truly are a very special group of brothers and sisters in Christ. Your thoughtfulness and kindness are greatly appreciated! Patricia Spencer

Balfour Family, thank you for the beautiful flowers, prayers, and outpouring of support with calls, visits, and cards. Your thoughtfulness has meant a lot. God bless you all, Tom Marley & Donna

MEMORIALS

Donations have been given to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering in memory of Judy Gatlin & Judy Hedgpeth by Charles & Sandra Allen and in memory of Jewel Applewhite by the Friendship Sunday School Class.

Donations have been given to the General Fund in memory of Jewel Applewhite by Roger & Brenda Pritchard and in memory of Hilda Marley by Bill & Janet Tyler and Lyndon & Ann Beane.

DONATIONS

Donations have been given to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering by the WMU.

HONORARIUMS

Donations have been given to the General Fund in honor of Bonnie Davenport by Roger & Brenda Pritchard.

Donations have been given to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering in honor of Charles Allen & Gary Brown by the Woodrow Sunday School Class and in honor of Carolyn Santanella by the Friendship Sunday School Class.

SYMPATHY

Our deepest sympathy goes out to The Family of **Hilda Marley**, to Patricia Spencer in the loss of her brother, **Jerry Hopkins**, to The Family of **Nina Dickens** and to The Family of **Ruth Ann Allred**.

FINANCIAL CASH REPORT

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

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