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# Ebenezer Baptist Church

A Praise of Thanksgiving

Psalm 100, NKJV: Make a joyful shout to the LORD, all you lands! 2 Serve the LORD with gladness; Come before His presence with singing. 3 Know that the LORD, He is God; It is He who has made us, and not we ourselves; We are His people and the sheep of His pasture. 4 Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, And into His courts with praise. Be thankful to Him, and bless His name. 5 For the LORD is good; His mercy is everlasting, And His truth endures to all generations.

This past year we have much to be thankful for. God led Anighya to law school and CathyJean to us. We have more people coming back to worship with us in the church building since Covid lockdowns. We were able to get the roof and gutters fixed on the church building, some painting done, and purchase three new HVAC units and a roof for the van garage.

Ebenezer lived up to her name as the church helped those in need, ministered to others who lost loved ones and went through hard times. Embracing missions and desiring to do more with Operation Christmas Child, we used our greatest resource, our people, to gather resources and make kits and other items for the shoeboxes. We close November with carrying the cases of shoeboxes to Clarksville and volunteers going to Atlanta to work in the distribution center.

The messages during December are going to be centered around God being our Shepherd. We are His! Let's continue to celebrate Him by shouting, singing, and serving. He loves His sheep, us. This Christmas season let us celebrate The Great Shepherd coming to us in the form of a baby. Let's celebrate His work for His sheep!

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#### **DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

- 2- Sophia Kirby
   8- Dianne Evans
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- 16- Larry Cantrell
- 22- Lilly Mills

- 10- Barbara McLean16- Tommy Claiborne
- 23- Jimmy Wilson

4- Norma Bass

#### **DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES**

- II- Jeff 7 Renee Delong
- 17– Robby & Bobbie Morgan

#### **CHURCH CLEANING SCHEDULE**

#### Week of:

- 12/5 Dianne Evans, Claudia Bales
- 12/12 Thom & Debi Wilson, Harvey Major
- 12/19 Amber Hudgins, Sonya Henry
- 12/26 Dianne Evans, Claudia Bales

## **Community Happenings:**

December 4 Christmas in the Park, Louise Martin Park IIAM - 4 PM Greenbrier Christmas Parade 6 PM December 7 Senior Christmas Luncheon II AM North Springfield Baptist December 28-30 Extreme Winter, Gatlinburg

December 30- January I Extreme Winter

5- Jo Brown 11- Paisley Hasty 18- Kathleen Woody 24- John Bush

#### DEACON OF THE WEEK

12/5 Eddie Suter12/12 Gary Suter12/19 John Twist12/26 Wayne Semore

#### **EXTENDED SESSION**

12/5 Thom & Debi Wilson
12/12 Pam Orum, Janice Cohea
12/19 Brenda Campbell, Sonya Henry
12/26 Bobbie Morgan, Sarah Phelan

# IN MY FATHER'S HOUSE

My Father's House Nightly Shelter Open every night Check in at 5 PM - Check out at 7 PM No one admitted after 8 PM Located at 4635 Hwy 41 North, Spfld They need volunteers. You can call 615-992-1547 or the church office for more information.

## WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Sunday:

Deacon Prayer Time 8:50 AM Sunday School 9 AM Morning Worship 10 AM Children's Worship 10 AM Choir Practice 1:30 PM

Wednesday: Prayer Meeting/Bible Study 7 PM

# **EBENEZER HAPPENINGS**:

December I	Dinner 6 PM/Missions 7 PM			
December 5	Business Meeting after morning service			
December 7	Deacon's Meeting 6 PM			
	Cookies With Santa 7 PM			
December II	Keenagers Lunch 12 PM			
December 12	Christmas Cantata 10 AM			
December 12	Happy Birthday Jesus Party 6 PM			
December 18	Youth Christmas Party			
December 20-January 4 No School Christmas Break				
December 25	Merry Christmas			
December 26	Bank Sunday			



#### OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Thank you for making Operation Christmas Child a success! We are grateful to all the volunteers this year. Making the shoebox ministry this year more personal, volunteers made items for the shoeboxes.

Thank you to those who came to the packing party where we packed 211 shoeboxes. With the other churches and the community, we took 3,982 shoeboxes to Clarksville. We had 10 volunteers work collection week and 11 go to Atlanta to work in the processing center. God has amazed us by the outpouring of support from all of you. Thank you!

We will be delivering Church Member Christmas Cards! The postage for these Christmas cards will go to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. Instead of mailing your church family



Christmas cards through the US Postal Service, you can place them in the box in the foyer and they will be delivered for you. You can place your money in the container in the foyer or turn it in through the offering plate in a Lottie Moon envelope. All cards must be placed in the box by **Sunday, December 19**.



# Cookies with Santa December 7 @ 7 PM



We need volunteers! There is a signup sheet in the sanctuary



Highland Crest School of Ministry January 25 - April 26, 2022 Tuesdays: 6 - 9 PM RCBA Office Cost: \$100 plus materials Www.rcbatn.org/hcsm (registration is open now)



Happy Birthday Jesus Party December 12 @ 6 PM





# Christmas Cantata December 12 @ 10 AM





Associational Senior Christmas Luncheon December 7 at 11 AM North Springfield Baptist Tickets available from RCBA

They will have a catered meal this year for only \$5. They will be collecting cans of food for those in need. You may bring a \$5-\$10 gift if you would like to participate in the gift exchange.



Small Group Teacher Training Saturday, January 22, 2022 10 AM - 3 PM 10-12 Choose Adult or Youth Small Groups 1-3 Choose Children or Preschool Small Groups

White House FBC Taught by Team Leaders from TBMB Free event includes lunch. All Sunday School workers are welcome. Let the office know if you can attend so I can send a head count for lunch.

Do you wish **YOU** could do something for people facing hostility toward the Gospel? Build a Shoebox online allows you to personally share God's hope & love to the ends of the earth without ever leaving your home. You can prayerfully choose



items to be included in your box, a personal note & even a photo. The boxes



are filled in a processing center per your choices & shipped to hard-to-access regions where local churches share the Good News of Jesus. All of this for just \$25! Help us meet our goal of **150 boxes** by the end of 2021! Hold your smartphone's camera over the box to go to our goal page.



School has started back! The **Elect Sunday School Class** is collecting the following items for the homeless children and youth in Greenbrier: individual **food** items,

especially fruit cups, breakfast bars and macaroni and cheese. They do have access to a microwave so individual non-perishable microwavable items are welcome. Thank you for your donations. Please drop the items off at church.

# December 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Week of Prayer for Missions November	Lottie Moon Offering 8 28 - December 5	& International	I Dinner 6 PM Missions 7 PM	2	3	4 Christmas in the Park 11-4 Louise Martin Park Christmas Parade 6 PM
5 Business Meeting	6	7 Senior Christmas Luncheon II AM North Springfield Baptist Deacon's Meeting 6 PM Cookies w/Santa 7PM	8	9	10	11 Keenagers Lunch 12 PM
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