

# THE INTERCOM

JANUARY 2022

## Ebenezer Baptist Church

### Mirror, Mirror on the Wall

In Every New Year I make a list of goals to accomplish for the coming year. These resolutions usually include spending more time with my family, teaching goals for Reed, taking advantage of opportunities to share the Gospel, visiting more people, saving money, repairing something, buying something, and losing weight. This list reveals what my priorities are.

There is a story of an elderly art critic who went to an art gallery with some friends. Although he had left his glasses at home, he wanted to show off his art knowledge. He stood before a frame being super critical, and to his surprise, his wife told him he was looking in a mirror.

Do you remember the evil queen in Snow White who said, "Magic mirror on the wall, who's the fairest one of all?" If the mirror or anyone she encountered gave the answer she desired, all was well, but there were repercussions for wrong answers.

Are we satisfied with just looking in the mirror to be appealing to ourselves and not changing our ways? Do we get angry and blame others when we don't like what we see? We may blame the mirror, the Snow Whites of this world, our spouse, or someone else. What will you do with what is revealed?

James 1:22–25, NKJV: "But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man observing his natural face in a mirror; for he observes himself, goes away, and immediately forgets what kind of man he was. But he who looks into the perfect law of liberty and continues *in it, and is not a forgetful hearer but a doer of the work, this one will be blessed in what he does.*"

Realize we look in the mirror not as the art critic to prove our knowledge only to be let down because we see ourselves. See Christ! Don't look at the mirror like the evil queen only to feel good about yourself. A mirror only reveals the outward appearance. Christ works in your life from the inside changing your countenance on the outside.

This New Year let's not just change appearances, but let God change us through His Word. Will you be a doer of the Word? Will you grow in liberty and mercy? Will you grow in the law as knowing God and allow that knowledge of and walk with God to change your life?

In Christ,  
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## JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

3- Sonya Henry                      3- Melba Justice                      8- Chrysti Dobbs  
10- Martha Johnson              13- Wayne Semore                      14- Jim Perko  
15- Rob Kaukas                      16- Ellen Davis                      18- Alexis Brown  
18- Alli Hasty                      23- Frances Christianson

## JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

1- Percy & Phillis Folse  
27- Jimmy & Bobbye Wilson

## CHURCH CLEANING SCHEDULE

Week of:

1/2 Thom & Debi Wilson, Harvey Major  
1/9 Amber Hudgins, Sonya Henry  
1/16 Dianne Evans, Claudia Bales  
1/23 Thom & Debi Wilson, Harvey Major  
1/30 Amber Hudgins, Sonya Henry

1/2 Thom & Debi Wilson  
1/9 Carrie Twist, Bobbie Morgan  
1/16 Pam Orum, Janice Cohea  
1/23 Brenda Campbell, Sonya Henry  
1/30 Sarah Phelan, Carrie Twist

## Community Happenings:

January 15-17 Edge Student Leaders Conf.  
January 22 Small Group Teacher Training,  
White House FBC  
January 25 Highland Crest School of Ministry,  
RCBA office  
January 30- 31 WinTN State Evangelism Conf.,

## **Church Council Meeting January 16 after morning service**

We will have a short meeting. Please submit any activities and dates that you already have planned for 2022 to the office ahead of time.

## 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:

January 4 Deacon's Meeting 6 PM  
Student's return to school  
January 5 Dinner 6 PM/Missions 7 PM  
January 9 Business Meeting after morning service  
January 16 Church Council Meeting after service  
January 17 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day No School  
January 20 Larry's 20 Year Anniversary  
January 30 Bank Sunday

## **CHOIR NEWS**

Greetings, Church Family! Mike, J, and I are excited for the opportunity to continue serving EBC as Minister of Music.

Some news points:

Choir practice is on break for the remainder of the year. Choir practice will resume on January 2 at 1:30.

The 5th Sunday in January (the 30th) worship service will be comprised of hymns selected by the congregation. Write the name and number of your hymn request on a piece of paper, and place it in the box provided at the front of the sanctuary.

# MISSIONS GET-TOGETHER

April 1-3, 2022  
Gatlinburg Convention Center  
Gatlinburg, Tennessee

*Save  
the Date*

Registration opens on January 5 for all Women 18 and over.  
Registration closes on March 15, or sooner, if event capacity is reached,

No registration at the event – everyone must pre-register,

Registration Fee:

° \$100 per person by February 15

° \$125 per person by March 15

Go to [TNbaptist.org/event](http://TNbaptist.org/event) to register

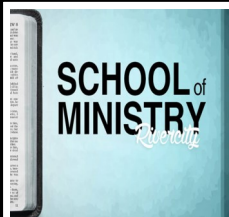
The Master's Table has some urgent needs right now. Please consider buying these items and taking them to the Master's Table between 9-11 AM, M-F. 3 Compartment Clamshell to-go boxes are most needed, followed by frozen hamburger patties, Clorox (brand name only) and large bags of French Fries. For more information contact Carolyn Woodard at 615-585-5739. Thank you for your continued support!



## YEC

March 11-12

New Vision Baptist Church, Murfreesboro  
\$25 if paid by January 31, \$30 after January 31 and  
\$35 at the door



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



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.



### 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.



Join us where you will be equipped with ministry tools, as well as, encouraged and inspired to win lost souls by snatching them from the fire. For registration details and more information, visit [www.wintn.org](http://www.wintn.org).

### My Father's House Nightly Shelter



Open every night

Check in at 5 PM - Check out at 7 AM No one admitted after 8 PM  
Located at 4635 Hwy 41 North, Springfield. They need **volunteers**.  
You can call 615-992-1547 or the church office for more information.

# January 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4 Deacon's Meeting 6 PM Students return to school	5 Dinner 6 PM Missions 7 PM	6	7	8
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