

# Hands & Feet

The monthly newsletter of Salisbury First Baptist Church

## Coming Up

January 9th  
CBA Executive Board  
Meeting @2:30pm

January 12th  
Church Council Meeting  
@6pm

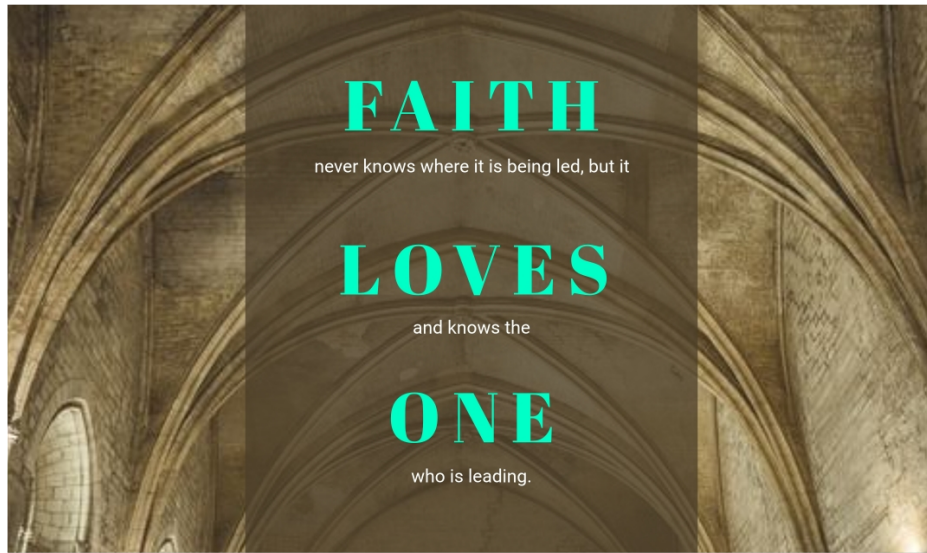
January 16th  
Sanctity of Life Sunday  
Spaghetti Dinner after  
church  
Deacon Meeting @5:30  
Church Business Meeting  
@7pm

January 21st  
Senior Luncheon with  
Pastor Kurtis and Melissa

Club 2:52  
For Kids every Wednesday  
after school

Youth  
Grades 7-12 every  
Wednesday at 7pm

Women's Bible Study every  
Thursday at 9:30 am



## Putting your Faith in God, not 2022

C.S. Lewis was once quoted in a letter to a person who was afraid of dying; "There are better things ahead than any we leave behind." These words would often times be misquoted at the beginning of a new year with a totally different meaning, but what C.S. Lewis actually meant was that for the Christian, there are great things ahead.

As I ponder that thought and remember the great things that have been in my life and that still are in my life, I cannot help but think of also the terribleness that exists in our world.

Over the last couple of years mankind has lived in fear. Fear of death has gripped many of us and for some still has its talons sunk in deep. We have trusted in human things, in our own abilities or the abilities of others, and we have obsessed over the what ifs.

Now, I want to say that in no way am I attempting to trivialize the monstrosity of a weight that looms over us in these years of pandemic, I only want you and I to ask ourselves if our faith is in God or in starting a new year.

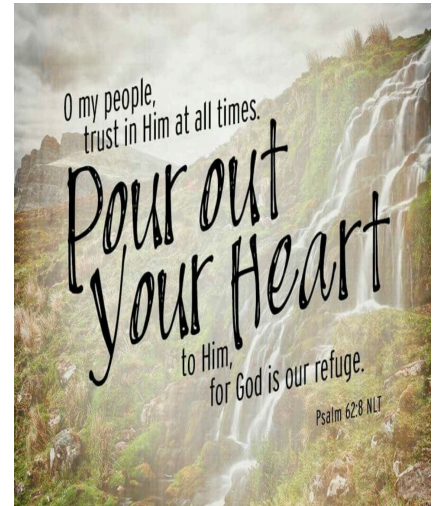
The power of the new year is of great importance these days. It is as if

January 1st comes and the slate is wiped new and there are new and better opportunities, when really its just a change of the calendar, another day in our lives and not some magical eraser of the bad things in our life. I have heard people talking about this is the year everything gets better and others saying that this will be the darkest year of them all. Everything revolves around this new year and what it brings, and yet for the Christian we must realize that each day that passes, each year that makes its way by brings us that much closer to something more grand and magnificent than words could ever express.

The psalmist once wrote,

Trust in him at all times, you people;  
pour out your hearts to him,  
for God is our refuge. Psalm 62:8

These words should be written on the hearts and minds of all of God's people, to remind us that in every moment, in the highs and the lows, God is absolutely capable. It is safe for us to place our assurance, our trust, to sink our anchor deep within him and now that He is a safe and sturdy place.



I do not know what this new year brings, for goodness-sakes, I don't know what the next hour brings, I know this, whatever may come in 2022 will never surprise God. He knows, he wills, he plans, it is just our decision to trust him, or rather to lean on our own understanding and falter.

May each of us choose to place our faith in God this new year and look forward to the great things that he has for us, wether in this life or the next.

Serving Him, Pastor Kurtis



## Youth Christmas Caroling

The youth sang carols and delivered cookies along with cards to residents at senior housing. We've enjoyed looking at different aspects of the first Christmas in December.



## Vesper Service

Sunday December 5th we hosted the Community Vesper Service. It was a beautiful service filled with music and the story of our Saviors birth.



Club 2:52 Showing off their new bibles



Church float for the Christmas Parade



Club 2:52



Preschool during the Christmas Program



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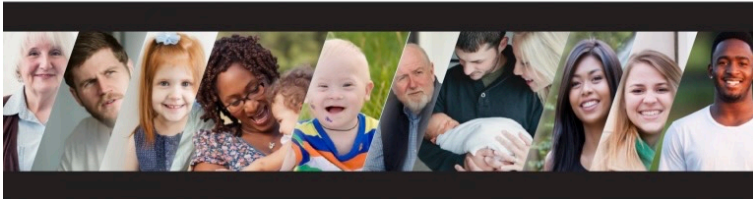
Children's Christmas Program



### Children's Christmas Program

We couldn't be more proud of all the kids and teachers that help put on the Christmas Program. The kids did such a great job telling the story of the first Christmas.

## FOR GENERATIONS TO COME



"Let this be recorded for a generation to come, that a people yet to be created may praise the Lord." Psalm 102:18

Sanctity of Human Life Sunday Jan. 16th



Following Worship on Sunday Jan. 16th. Please bring a side or a dessert and join us for a great time of fellowship .

### Spring Women of Joy

Ladies mark your calendar for April 8th - April 10th. We will be going to Branson for the Spring Women of Joy conference. If you're interested in going please let Melissa Estes know.



– Pray that in this new year God would begin to draw his people closer to him as they minister to others in his name.

– Pray that our country would find renewal and hope in Jesus Christ alone and that the Church would live to the glory of God in all things.

– Begin to pray for your family and those who are close to you. Pray that the Spirit of God would alight a freshness in their walk with Jesus.

