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SPAGHETTI LUNCH FUNDRAISER
Sunday, December 2
following the morning
worship service

COST: Donations

HAITI MISSION TRIP
February 23—
March 1

BE IN PRAYER FOR OUR PASTOR SEARCH COMMITTEE: Hank Butler, Quinn Carlisle, Paige Corey, Sylvia Gambill, Allan Hogan, Tim Snowden, Shawn Stewart, Beth Touchstone, LeAnn Vick



DECEMBER 2 Luke 21:25-38
DECEMBER 3 Daniel 12:1-13
DECEMBER 4 Isaiah 44:1-28
DECEMBER 5 Isaiah 45:1-25
DECEMBER 6 Isaiah 48:1-22
DECEMBER 7 Isaiah 49:1-26
DECEMBER 8 Isaiah 52:1-12

STAFF MEMBER ON CALL
November 30—December 2
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COMING UP THIS SUNDAY DECEMBER 2, 2018

Prelude
Lighting of the Advent Candle
Worship Song Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus
Scripture Reading Mark 14:1-9
Worship Song Let's Worship and Adore Him
Children's Message Dana Casey
Worship Song O Little Town of Bethlehem
Worship Song Hark the Herald Angels Sing
Offertory
Choral Worship The First Noel
Message Dr. Ivan Parke
"NOTHING VENTURED, NOTHING GAINED, EVERYTHING WASTED"
Song of Commitment The Savior Is Waiting
Budget Adoption
Benediction Chorus Let's Worship and Adore Him
Postlude
EVENING WORSHIP 5:00 P.M. Dr. Ivan Parke
THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

PRESCHOOL EXTENDED SESSION December 2, 2018
Theresa Hogan, Pat Stinson (Babies)
Cortney Holloway, Susanna Jackson (Crawlers/Toddlers)
Volunteers Needed (Preschool 2s)
CHILDREN'S CHURCH VOLUNTEERS December 2, 2018
Joy Scott, Cindy Dyess

STATISTICAL REPORT NOVEMBER 18/25, 2018			
BIBLE STUDY MINISTRY		STEWARDSHIP REPORT	
Enrollment	553/553	Receipts:	
Attendance		Budget	10,788.00/ 15,247.00
Adult	125/122	Child Dev.	.00/ 90,003.00
Youth	13/24	Designated	2,541.54/ 2,322.00
Children	30/31	Total	13,328.54/107,572.00
Preschool	15/16	Budget Req. to date	1,039,951.14
Worship Team	10/ 7	(47@22,126.62)	
Visitors	12/11	Budget Receipts to date	936,728.79
New Members		CDC Req. to date	1,093,626.55
Main School Att.	205/211	(47@23,268.65)	
Nursing Home	15/ 17	CDC Receipts to date	1,128,987.50
Total SS Attendance	220/228		
Worship Att. AM/PM	214/200		
Worship Att. AM/PM	218/ 69		
LOTTIE MOON GIVEN TO DATE—\$600.00			

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, December 2
9:00 A.M. Library Open
9:10 A.M. Sunday School Teachers Prayer Meeting
9:30 A.M. Sunday School Security-Sid Joblin
10:30 A.M. Library Open
10:45 A.M. Morning Worship
Security—Britt McCarty, David McCary
12:00 P.M. Spaghetti Lunch Fundraiser
1:00 P.M. Choir Rehearsal
4:15 P.M. NO Youth Choir
5:00 P.M. Evening Worship
Youth Bible Study
Highland Kid’s Club, Nursery
Security—Jerry McCay, Rodney Moon
Monday, December 3
8:30 A.M. Adult Exercise
6:30 P.M. Prayer Time in the Sanctuary
Tuesday, December 4
4:00 P.M. Ladies’ Quilting
6:30 P.M. Trail Life USA
Wednesday, December 5
8:30 A.M. Adult Exercise
5:00 P.M. Family Night Supper
MENU: Lasagna, Salad Bar, Dessert
CHILDREN’S MENU: Chicken Nuggets or Hot Dogs
5:45 P.M. W.O.W. WORSHIP RALLY (K-Grade 6)
Choir (3-4 years)
6:00 P.M. Youth Bible Study
6:15 P.M. Prayer Meeting
6:30 P.M. W.O.W. (3-4 years)
6:45 P.M. Choir (K-6th Grade)
7:15 P.M. Sanctuary Choir/Orchestra Rehearsal
Thursday, December 6
7:00 A.M. Men’s Prayer Breakfast
6:00 P.M. Senior Adult Christmas Banquet
Friday, December 7
8:30 A.M. Adult Exercise
Saturday, December 8
1:00 P.M. Moore Birthday Party in the FLC

FROM OUR MINISTER TO STUDENTS...

Thanksgiving has come and gone and we are now officially in the Christmas season. I don’t know about you reading this but in my house growing up, there was always a mini battle between my family members as to when the Christmas season actually began. My father, brother, and I held a firm belief that the Christmas season didn’t begin until after Thanksgiving. That meant on the day after Thanksgiving, we would all pile up into my dad’s pick-up truck and go to a local Christmas Tree farm to cut down the perfect tree while listening to our favorite Christmas carols. We would decorate the tree when we got home then the next day we would put lights up all over outside the front of the house. While this was a family tradition for many years that we all enjoyed, this was due to the fact that we believed that the Christmas season didn’t begin until after Thanksgiving. If it were up to my mother and sister, we would start singing Christmas carols sometime around mid-July and the tree would stay up until Valentine’s Day.

In recent weeks, really since Halloween, it’s been fun to read different people’s opinion on the subject while online. For those of you who have a presence on social media, especially on Facebook, you have to have seen this debate rage on between people who adamantly believe that you should wait until after Thanksgiving to start celebrating Christmas versus people who say November 1 is an appropriate time to start. As I said, I personally believe in waiting until after Thanksgiving but at this point in my life, I yield to Susanna and follow her lead. It seems the older Leia gets, the earlier we start decorating.

However, no matter where you fall on this debate, there needs to be one thing we can all agree on. As followers of Christ, while decorations and songs might have a season, there should be no beginning and ending to our celebrating the fact that our Lord came to Earth in miraculous fashion. Yes, Christmas is a beautiful time to celebrate that truth. So is every other time of the year. I encourage you all as we begin to shift gears toward the Christmas season, don’t allow your celebration of the birth of Christ to be limited to just a couple of months in the year. Every second of every day we should be in awe of the majesty of Jesus and the awesomeness of his immaculate birth. I love you all, hope you all had a great Thanksgiving, and am looking forward to celebrating Christmas with each of you over the next month and well beyond.

In Christ, Clint Jackson



Senior Adult Activities for December
Thursday, December 6, 6:00 p.m.
Christmas Banquet in the Fellowship Hall
Thursday, December 13, 9:30 a.m.
Brunch at the Highland House

BEGINNING JANUARY 20, 2019!!!

 **BIBLE STUDY**

DETAILS COMING SOON!

LOTTIE MOON

CHRISTMAS OFFERING

Providing financial support to missionaries as they share the gospel overseas.

CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY ARE EXTENDED TO:
...Rick Snowden in the death of his brother-in-law.

DID YOU KNOW THAT...
- Monday-Friday there are around 62 adults and 200+ children using the facilities for 10 hours a day.
The church has had 4 phases of construction/remodeling from 1956-2013.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED FAITHFULNESS IN GIVING!

<i>DECEMBER 2018</i>	The church will vote on the budget on Sunday, December 2, 2018, in the morning	worship service with no discussion.	<i>1 PROPEL ACTIVATE WOMEN'S CONFERENCE IN JACKSON (LEAVE BY BUS AT 7:00 A.M.)</i>			
<i>2 Spaghetti Lunch Fundraiser 1:00 p.m. Choir/Orchestra Rehearsal</i>		<i>5 WOW WORSHIP RALLY</i>	<i>6 6:00 p.m. Senior Adult Christmas Banquet in the Fellowship Hall</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>8 1:00 p.m. Moore Birthday Party in the FLC</i>	
<i>9 8:00 a.m. Deacon's Meeting 4:00 p.m. Finance Committee Mtg. 5:00 p.m. Old Fashioned Christmas</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>11 6:00 p.m. Faith SS Class in the Tea Room</i>	<i>12</i>	<i>13 9:30 a.m. Senior Adult Brunch at the Highland House</i>	<i>14</i>	<i>15</i>
<i>16 6:00 p.m. The First Noel (Christmas Cantata)</i>	<i>17 5:30 p.m. CDC Committee Meeting</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>19 Youth Christmas Party Children's Happy Birthday Jesus Party</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>21</i>	<i>22</i>
<i>23 No Evening Activities 30 No Evening Activities</i>	<i>24 4:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Service Offices Closed 31</i>	<i>25 MERRY CHRISTMAS Offices Closed</i>	<i>26 No Evening Activities</i>	<i>27</i>	<i>28</i>	<i>29</i>