

## NBC Holiday Office Hours

**Closed:**  
New Year's Day  
Monday, Jan. 1

**Open:**  
Tuesday, January 2  
office hours resume:  
9 a.m. - 2 p.m., M-Th

### Communion Sunday & Benevolence Offering

NBC will take up a quarterly Benevolence Offering on Sunday, January 7, 2024, during the worship service. This offering is used for community outreach for those in need.

Please give as the Lord directs.



## NBC Ministry Team Rally

Sunday, January 21, following worship ~ Lunch provided

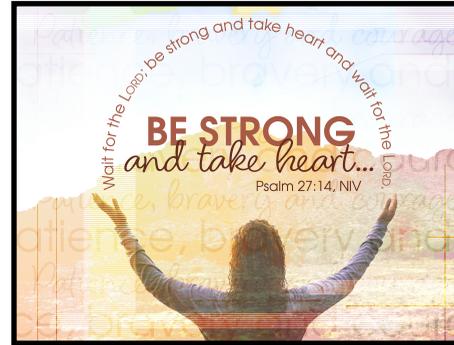
This will be a special time of planning and fellowship as we move forward in ministry together in 2024!

## Nan Strickland Flower Ministry

A ministry to brighten the days of our NBC homebound

Next meetings | January 12 & 26 @ 10 a.m.

Support | Join us or donate funds to "flower ministry"



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## JANUARY 2024

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# A Note from the Pastor

The above logo on the left was unveiled in the Summer of 2005 by the North Carolina Department of Agriculture. The part on the right side of the logo was the motto for many years, "Goodness Grows in NC." It was something that I was very familiar with as I saw countless boxes of sweet potatoes coming off of a packing line with this imprint in the lower corner. The most recent logo is on the upper right.

Agriculture has been essential to my life and our state's history. Its economic impact is still substantial. North Carolina leads the nation in producing Sweet Potatoes, producing 40% of the total crop. It is second in Christmas Trees, Turkeys, and Pigs production. The list continues with many products that might surprise you, but I feel that "Goodness" does grow in North Carolina.

With the addition of the phrase, "Got to be NC," we are once again encouraged to realize what we can find right here at home. Essentially, we are called to be loyal to those products that help our home state. The Department of Agriculture calls for commitment from fellow citizens for the good of North Carolina.

I find great satisfaction when I can "buy local." I always encourage our family to try to get what we need here in Nashville; sometimes, it might not be possible. I want to see the town I call "home" prosper.

In Jeremiah 29:11, we read these words:

***"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."***

My desire to see the Kingdom of Christ prosper greatly outweighs my desire to see Nashville grow. Seeing His Kingdom expand in Nashville will take commitment in our lives as individuals and as a part of NBC. The phrase I hope to place in your hearts and minds for the coming year is:

### ***What's in store in '24?***

Adding this to the phrase on the plaques around the NBC buildings, I Will Give My All to Christ, and NBC, Today! Each time we step from these facilities, I hope our minds and spirits overflow with a desire to serve the Lord. What will this service bring about in the new year?

As we move into 2024, an opportunity presents itself to once again resolve to make meaningful changes in our lives. My most recent challenge from the pulpit dealt with the beneficial use of our time concerning the gift of Christ. Questions to consider in the new year, "Where are my priorities with all that the Lord has given me?" What are we doing with our time, financial resources, and ourselves?

The Lord calls us to be committed to Jesus Christ and to see His entire Kingdom benefit. Do we give the Lord consideration in all that we do? What does the Lord have in store in '24, and what do we have for the Lord?

Peace,



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Thursday: 9 am - 2pm  
Friday: Closed

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**Service Times:**  
Sundays at 10:00am  
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