

December

Kerr Messenger

KERR MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH
Concord, North Carolina

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FROM OUR PASTOR

A special “thank you” is deserved for our Stewardship Committee for the good job they did with a difficult task. Also, a special “thank you” goes to the members of Kerr who attended our called conference. Decreasing our church budget is difficult and is especially unpleasant when we must cut funding to ministry and missions. But deficit spending is not a long-term option, so the Stewardship Committee did what had to be done.

Now, what can we do to move forward with ministry and missions? We can reach out to people we know who need Jesus and who need a church family. We can also give more to the unified budget of our church, even if we have to do less for designated needs. Would you consider doing something that God is leading me to do? Would you consider increasing your giving to the unified budget by 10% in 2016? As God provides, I plan to do this, because I believe Kerr is a good church with godly people. Our church mission is more critical now than ever before. God wants to do great things here, and God needs you to fulfill your role as His servant.

The mission of Kerr Memorial Baptist Church is to share the love of God with our neighbors. Our family of faith unites together in fellowship and worship. We demonstrate our commitment through living the lifestyle of the teachings of Jesus Christ. We seek to address the unique needs of each generation through reaching, teaching and equipping for One Christ...One Church...One People.



Kerr Schedule...

WEEKLY

Sundays

- 9:15am** Sunday School
- 10:30am** Morning Worship Service
- 6:00pm** RAs, GAs, Mission Friends & Youth
- 6:00pm** Bible Study

Wednesdays

- 6:30pm** KerrKidz Live & Youth
- 6:30pm** Prayer Meeting
- 7:30pm** Adult Choir Practice



Holiday Schedule

Friday, December 4

- 6:30pm** Choir Christmas Social

Sunday, December 6

- 5:15pm** KOPS Practice
- 6:00pm** International Mission Study

Tuesday, December 8

- 11:30am** Dear Hearts Luncheon

Saturday, December 12

- 9:00am-1:00pm** OCC-Processing Center

- 5:00pm** Youth Christmas Party

- 6:00pm** Mission Support Meeting

Sunday, December 13

- 8:30am** Church Wide Breakfast

- 5:15pm** KOPS Practice

Wednesday, December 16

- 6:30pm** Choir Practice

Thursday, December 17

- 8-11am** Volunteering at BSH

Saturday, December 19

- 8:00am** Deacon's Meeting

Sunday, December 20

- 10:30am** Christmas Cantata
- 10:30am** Lottie Moon- March to the Altar

Wednesday, December 23

- 6:30pm** Candlelight Service

Thursday, December 24 Christmas Eve

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

Friday, December 25 Christmas

Wednesday, December 31 New Year's Eve

Details

GA'S BAKED GOODIES

The GAs are still taking orders until December 9th for baked goodies! 12 Brownies are \$5 or \$7 with nuts. Half of a Vanilla or Sundrop Pound Cake is \$10. Money raised goes toward this year's Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. If you would like to place an order, see one of our GAs, or their leaders, Sue Ann Buckland and Candace Curry.

RA'S MAILING POST

The RA's Mailing Post is officially up and running! Bring in your Christmas cards and the RAs will deliver them from now through December 20th. All donations given will go towards this year's Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

ADULT CHOIR SOCIAL

The choir will be having their Christmas Social at the Cabarrus Baptist Association on Friday, December 4th, at 6:30pm. For more information, see Paul Shepard.

KOPS PRACTICE

Kerr's "Kids Of Praise Squad" (KOPS) will meet on Sundays December 6th and 13th, from 5:15-5:50pm. We are working on our Christmas music! For more information, see Sandra Campbell.

Volunteer Schedule

SUNDAY MORNING INFANT NURSERY

- 1st. Barbara Dysart & OPEN
- 2nd. Jennifer Campbell & Lindsey Johns
- 3rd. Carolyn & Ivy Joyner
- 4th. Sue Ann Buckland & OPEN
- 5th. Pam West & Barbara Shaver

TODDLER NURSERY

- 1st. Lindsay Hartman & Linda Morrison
- 2nd. Kevin & Amber Mullis
- 3rd. Jean Kennedy & Debbie Gibson
- 4th. Karen Helms & OPEN
- 5th. Jennie Mullis & Robin Boyias

SUNDAY NIGHT COMBINED NURSERY

- 1st. Sandra Campbell & OPEN
- 2nd. OPEN & OPEN
- 3rd. Sara Grooms & OPEN
- 4th. OPEN & OPEN
- 5th. Greg & Lindsay Hartman

WEDNESDAY NIGHT COMBINED NURSERY

- 1st. OPEN & OPEN
- 2nd. Jean Kennedy & Karen Helms
- 3rd. OPEN & OPEN
- 4th. Sara Grooms & OPEN
- 5th. Linda Morrison & OPEN



USHERS

- Dec 6** Greg Hartman, Keith Joyner, Brandon Joyner, Mike Stonnell
- Dec 13** Bethany Buckland, Bobby Benson, Chip Mullis, Jimmy Morrison
- Dec 20** Jamie Campbell, Larry Campbell, Josh Abee, Mike Martin
- Dec 27** Calvin Bowerman, Bill Jones, Kevin Mullis, Phil Gibson

Happy Birthday!



12/01	Jay Dysart
12/03	Alaythia Curry
12/07	Karen Morrison
12/08	Jason Jones
12/10	David Small
12/16	Alyana Bowerman
12/18	Carolyn Eury
12/18	Lonnie Hunsucker
12/19	Madison Hartman
12/19	June Osborne
12/21	Jeremy Sloop
12/21	Jonna Wilson
12/22	Ruby Jean Furr
12/23	Jean Kennedy
12/29	Carol Barbee
12/30	Brandi Herring
12/31	Daniel Abee



12/22/1968	Joel & Beth Freeze
12/17/2005	Jason & Kesha Jones

Welcome 2016!

Monthly Report



Dear Church Family,

How blessed I am to have you in my life. Thank you so much for the love shown to me during my recovery from surgery. For the visits, calls, cards and food that means so much to me. I serve an awesome God and am a member of a special and caring church. We are not perfect, but the love feels perfect to me.

God bless you all,
Barbara Shaver



Dear Church Family,

James and I want to thank you for the many phone calls, visits, and food you provided during his surgery and convalescence, but most of all we want to thank you for the prayers. It is a blessing to be a part of such a caring church family.

Love you all,
James and Mary Whitley

HIGH ATTENDANCE SUNDAY RESULTS

We wanted to share the results of our High Attendance Sunday, which was November 8th. We had 91 present for that morning's Sunday School. Preschools 1, 2, & 3 all tied at 100% present! The Children 1 class had 85% present, and the Goodwill Ladies had 84% present. The Goodwill Ladies were also the class that brought in the most items for the Baptist Sharing House. Great job everyone!



BIBLE QUIZ

The gospel of Luke tells about Joseph and Mary taking the baby Jesus to the temple "to present him to the Lord" (Luke 2:22). An old man approached and said the Holy Spirit had revealed to him that he wouldn't die before he saw the Messiah. Seeing Jesus and being moved by the Holy Spirit, this man proclaimed that the baby was indeed the Messiah.

What was the man's name?

- A. Simeon
- B. Simon
- C. Phanuel
- D. Zechariah



ANSWER: A (SEE LUKE 2:25.)

INTERNATIONAL MISSION STUDY

Join us Sunday, December 6th, at 6pm as we hear more about international missions. For more information, see Jean Kennedy.

DEAR HEARTS MONTHLY MEETING

The Dear Hearts group will have their potluck luncheon on Tuesday, December 8th, at 11:30am in the Fellowship Hall.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Millions of lives are touched by the shoe box gifts collected each year. Each precious gift is carefully inspected and prepared for overseas shipment. Our youth are going to inspect and prepare shoe box gifts at Charlotte's Processing Center, Saturday, December 12th from 9am-1pm. The deadline for the youth to sign up is December 2nd. Then if there are any slots still available, we will open it up to the church.

YOUTH CHRISTMAS PARTY

December 12th, the youth will be having a Progressive Dinner Christmas Party! They will meet at the church at 5pm and from there, they will travel to four different houses (one for each course of the dinner). All the students need is a \$10 "white elephant" gift. If you have any questions, see Justin Curry.



MISSION SUPPORT MEETING

At 6pm on Saturday, December 12th, the Mission Support Group will be going out to eat at Pier 51 for their Christmas Party. For more information, see June Osborne.

CHURCH WIDE BREAKFAST

Everyone is invited to start their morning off with breakfast and a time of fellowship on Sunday, December 13th, at 8:30am.

BAPTIST SHARING HOUSE

If anyone is interested in volunteering Thursday, December 17th, from 8-11am at the BSH, please contact Jean Kennedy.

DEACON'S MEETING

This month, the Deacon's meeting will be on Saturday, December 19th, at 8am.

CHRISTMAS CANTATA

Join us Sunday, December 20th, during our morning worship service for a joyous message of hope as our choir presents "Mary Did You Know?"

LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING

Sunday, December 20th, we will have a March to the Altar for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. Our goal this year is to reach \$2500!

CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

Celebrate the gift of Christmas with us here at Kerr Memorial on Wednesday, December 24th, at 6:30pm.



MUSIC MADE EASY

If you would like to know more about the language of reading music, join us for four fun sessions on Sundays January 24th & 31st and February 7th & 21st. We will begin with lunch after the mornings worship service and then spend 30 minutes learning the language. If you have any questions, see Paul Shepard. The sign-up sheet is on his office door.

Sunday

Sunday School 9:15 AM
 Worship 10:30 AM
 RAs, GAs, Mission Friends & Youth 6:00 PM
 Evening Bible Study 6:00 PM



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Wednesday

KerrKidz Live & Youth 6:30 PM
 Prayer Meeting/Bible Study 6:30 PM
 Adult Choir Practice 7:30 PM

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Baptist Sharing House Pantry Emphasis 2 lb bags of flour & sugar, and spices/seasonings		1	2	3	4 6:30pm Choir Social	5
6 5:15pm KOPS Practice 6:00pm International Mission Study	7	8 11:30am Dear Hearts	9	10	11	12 9am-1pm OCC Center 5pm Youth Christmas Party 6pm Mission Support Christmas Party
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20 10:30am Christmas Cantata March to the Altar	21	22 FIRST DAY OF WINTER	23 6:30pm Candlelight Service	24 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED CHRISTMAS EVE	25 CHRISTMAS	26
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