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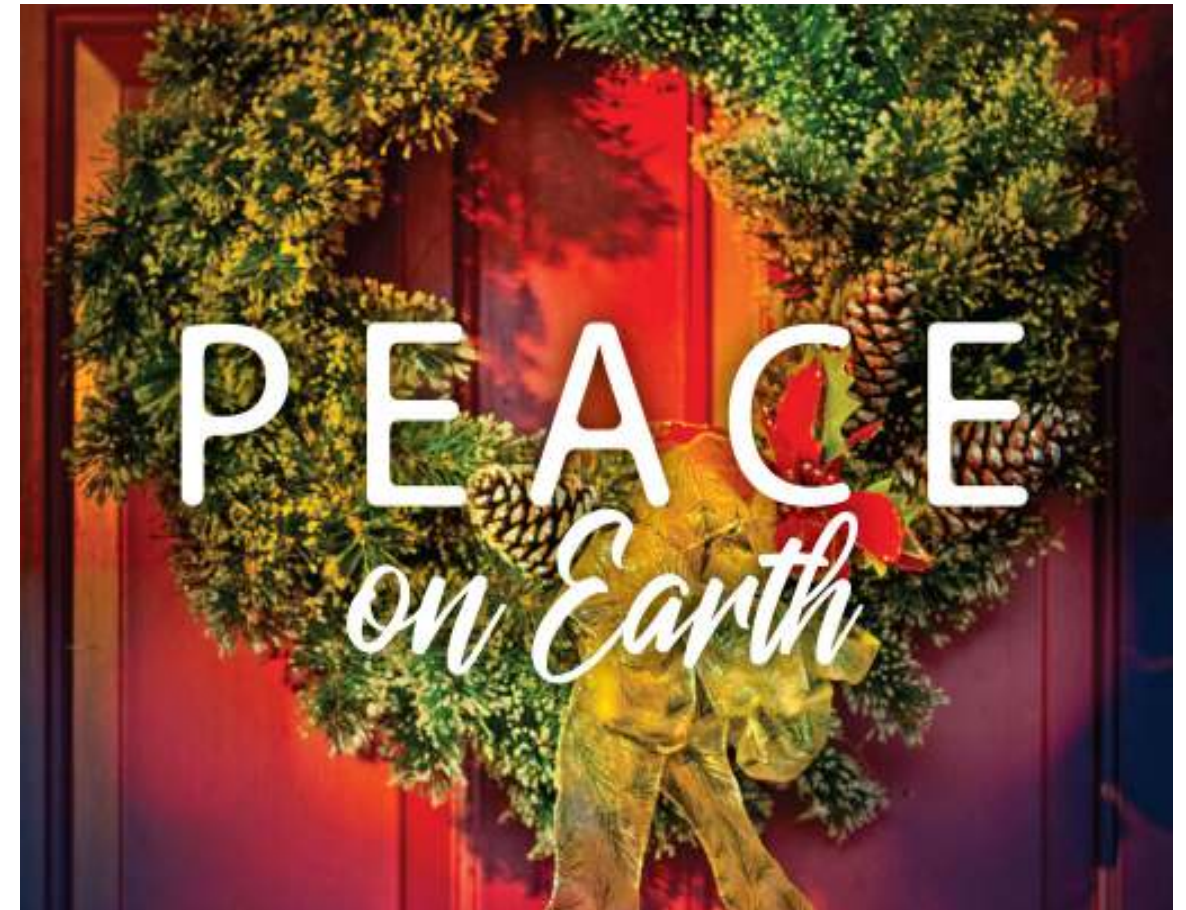
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#### FROM OUR PASTOR

“And Mary said: ‘My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit has rejoiced in God my Savior. For He has regarded the lowly state of His maidservant; for behold, henceforth all generations will call me blessed. For He who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is His name.’” (Luke 1:46-49) Mary was visiting with Elizabeth, and Elizabeth honored her because she was the mother of the Lord. Mary’s response was to praise God who was so good to her. With Mary, we can say that God is our Savior, he has regarded our lowly state, and we are blessed by him, for he has done great things for us. May we glorify our great God, and take joy in our wonderful Savior, Jesus Christ, this Christmas season.



*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.*



# This Month...

Saturday, December 2

**9:00am** Love Life Charlotte Prayer Walk  
Sunday, December 3 *First Sunday of Advent*  
Deposit for Youth Strength to Stand Trip Due  
Monday, December 4

**6:30pm** Baptist Women's Christmas Party  
Tuesday, December 5

**7:00pm** Church Council Meeting  
Friday, December 8

**7-10pm** Youth OCC Shoebox Inspection  
Sunday, December 10

**8:30am** Church Breakfast  
**10:30am** KOPS Christmas Performance  
**7:00pm** Church Conference

Tuesday, December 12

**11:30am** Dear Hearts Luncheon

Thursday, December 14

**6:30pm** Men's Meeting

Saturday, December 16

**9:00am** Deacon's Meeting  
**2-6pm** Church OCC Shoebox Inspection  
Sunday, December 17

**10:30am** Lottie Moon March to the Altar  
Thursday, December 21 *First Day of Winter*

**8-11am** Volunteering at the BSH  
Sunday, December 24 *Christmas Eve*

**10:30am** Christmas Celebration  
**6:00pm** Christmas Eve Candlelight Service  
*No Other PM Activities*

Monday, December 25 *Christmas Day*

Sunday, December 31 *New Year's Eve*



# Details

## LOVE LIFE CHARLOTTE

Saturday, December 2nd, is the last prayer walk of the 40 week Love Life Charlotte campaign and their goal is to have 7,000 people present for this prayer walk! We are asking everyone interested to come and stand with us united in Jesus Christ! For more information, see Bethany Melton.

## CHURCH PRAYER MEETINGS

In case you haven't heard, we have changed the time we come together to pray for our church from every Thursday night, at 9pm, to every Thursday night at 7pm! If you are able to make it out, we would love for you to join us! For more information, see Pastor Darrell.

## CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

Program ministry representatives will meet on Tuesday, December 5th, at 7pm. Leaders, if you are unable to attend, please contact and provide your calendar events to another member on our Church Council.

## CHURCH CONFERENCE

The Church Conference is scheduled for Sunday, December 10th, at 7pm.  
*REMINDER: If you have any new business to publicize, please notify the church office as soon as possible.*

## DEACON'S MEETING

This month, the Deacon's meeting will be on Saturday, December 16th, at 9am to put together this year's Christmas Treat Bags. If anyone is able to donate any candy or Lance crackers, could you please have these items to Jamie Campbell or your deacon by Sunday, December 10th.

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

If you are looking for a chance to volunteer, we will be at the Baptist Sharing House on Thursday, December 21st, from 8-11am. If this is something you would like to know more about, please see Jean Kennedy.

# Nursery Schedule

## Sunday Morning

### Infant Nursery

- 1st: Barbara Dysart & Debra Moody
- 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 & Bethany Buckland
- 5th: Sue Ann & Bethany Buckland

## Sunday Night

### Combined Nursery

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

## Wednesday Night

### Combined Nursery

- 1st: Bethany Melton
- 2nd: Jean Kennedy
- 3rd: Jennie Mullis
- 4th: Karen Helms
- 5th: Linda Morrison

# December's Ushers

- Dec 3** Calvin Bowerman, Phil Gibson, Bill Jones, Lonnie Hunsucker
- Dec 10** Dave & Wes Barringer, Chet & Nanette Bollenbecker
- Dec 17** Greg Hartman, Brandon Joyner, Keith Joyner, Chip Mullis
- Dec 24** Bobby Benson, Bethany Buckland, Mike Martin, Kevin Mullis
- Dec 31** Josh Abee, Jamie Campbell, Larry Campbell, David Melton



- 12/03 Alaythia Curry
- 12/07 Karen Morrison
- 12/09 Elda Canup
- 12/10 David Small
- 12/16 Alyana Bowerman
- 12/18 Carolyn Eury
- 12/18 Lonnie Hunsucker
- 12/19 Dave Barringer
- 12/19 Madison Hartman
- 12/19 June Osborne
- 12/22 Ruby Jean Furr
- 12/23 Jean Kennedy
- 12/29 Carol Barbee
- 12/30 Carole Zimmer



12/22/1968 Joel & Beth Freeze

## BIBLE QUIZ

How many wise men followed a star to Bethlehem to worship Jesus?

- A. two
- B. three
- C. four
- D. We don't know, the Bible doesn't say.



ANSWER: D (See Matthew 2:1-12.)



# November 2017 Report

## To the Unified Budget

In Memory of Louise & J.P. Morrison

Given by Carol Barbee

In Memory of Doyle & Mary Smith

Given by Sonny & Billie Smith

In Memory of Mary Smith

Given by Jimmy & Linda Morrison

In Memory of Mary Smith

Given by Greg, Lindsay,  
Madison, Patrick & Sadie Hartman

In Memory of Mary Smith

Given by Claudia Rollins

In Memory of Mary Smith

Given by Mildred Hunsucker

In Memory of Mary Smith

Given by George & Arvie Courtney

## To the Property Maintenance

In Memory of Mary Smith

Given by Libby Mabrey

## To the Lottie Moon

## Christmas Offering

In Memory of Mary Smith

Given by Barbara & Lonnie Hunsucker

## WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH

We welcome Mary McInturff to our church! She came forward on Sunday, November 5th, to join our church family. She joins us by statement of faith and her Deacon is John Dysart.

Please be sure to add the following to your church directory:

**Mary McInturff**

634 Lancashire Way  
Concord NC 28025-1640



## GROUP MEETINGS

### BAPTIST WOMEN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

This month, the Baptist Women will be meeting on Monday, December 4th, at 6:30pm for their Christmas party! The location is still to be determined. For more information, see Michelle Bowerman.

### DEAR HEARTS

The Dear Hearts will meet again on Tuesday, December 12th, at 11:30am in the Fellowship Hall.

### MEN'S MEETING

The men will be meeting at the Brickhouse Grill again on Thursday, December 14th, at 6:30pm. For more information, see Scott Dry.

### OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Millions of lives are touched by the shoebox gifts collected each year. Each precious gift is carefully inspected and prepared for overseas shipment. Our youth are going to inspect and prepare shoebox gifts at Charlotte's Processing Center on, Friday, December 8th, from 7-10pm. We also have reserved Saturday, December 16th, from 2-6pm, which is open to anyone who would like to go. If you are interested in either of these dates, please see Justin Curry or Jean Kennedy.



### BAPTIST SHARING HOUSE TOY DRIVE

The Baptist Sharing House is now collecting NEW, UNWRAPPED toys for children ages birth-14 years old. All donations will go to assist local families at Christmas. The collection will run now through December 14th. You can bring any donations to the church and place them in the Baptist Sharing House collection box located by the Koinonia & Alive in Christ classrooms, or you can take them directly to the Baptist Sharing House.



Dear Kerr Family,

There aren't adequate words to describe all the many personal kind ways you all so tenderly loved on us with the homegoing of our beloved Mrs. Mary.

There was never a time that you all didn't make us feel so loved and welcome. We have never felt such indulgent grace and love, besides the love of Jesus.

The contribution and sacrifice you all made have not gone unnoticed or appreciated. Your kind words, honoring Mary by being there for her, the preparations for her service, the meal and so many other ways have touched our hearts deeply. We will forever be humbled by all that you did for Mary while she was well, and also for us. (As well as the lovely plant)

Mary truly loved her church family, and we feel the same about each of you. Many thanks— may our Lord reward you fully for all you've done. Ruth 2:12

Much love and thankfulness,

The family of Mary Smith  
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Dear Church Family,

Thank you so very much for the appreciation dinner, and the many cards of appreciation and encouragement.

It is easy for us to be thankful for each one of you because of your love and kindness. We thank God for allowing us to be here with you.

Yours in Christ,  
Darrell & Donna

**Sunday**  
 Sunday School 9:15 AM  
 Worship 10:30 AM  
 Evening Bible Study 6:00 PM  
 Youth & KOPS Practice 6:00 PM



**Wednesday**  
 Evening Bible Study 6:30 PM  
 KerrKidz Live 6:30 PM  
 Youth 6:30 PM  
 Choir Practice 6:30 PM

| Sun                                                                                                                                  | Mon                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Tue                                       | Wed               | Thu                                         | Fri                                                                                                                         | Sat                                                                          |                                            |
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| <b>3</b><br><br><i>FIRST DAY OF ADVENT</i>                                                                                           | <b>4</b><br>6:30pm Baptist Women's Christmas Party                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <b>5</b><br>7:00pm Church Council Meeting | <b>6</b><br><br>  | <b>7</b><br><br>                            | <b>8</b><br>7-10pm Youth OGC Shoebox Inspections                                                                            | <b>9</b><br><br>                                                             |                                            |
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| <b>17</b><br>Lottie Moon Christmas Offering                                                                                          | <b>18</b><br><br>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <b>19</b><br><br>                         | <b>20</b><br><br> | <b>21</b><br>8-11am Volunteering at the BSH | <b>22</b><br><br>                                                                                                           | <b>23</b><br><br>                                                            |                                            |
| <b>24</b><br>10:30am Christmas Celebration<br>6:00pm Christmas Candlelight Service<br>No Other PM Activities<br><i>CHRISTMAS EVE</i> | <b>25</b><br><br><i>CHRISTMAS DAY</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <b>26</b><br><br>                         | <b>27</b><br><br> | <b>28</b><br><br>                           | <b>29</b><br><br>                                                                                                           | <b>30</b><br><br>                                                            |                                            |
| <b>31</b><br><br><i>NEW YEAR'S EVE</i>                                                                                               | <b>NEWSLETTER DEADLINES</b><br>To get an article in the next newsletter, please submit your information to the church secretary's mailbox or email at <a href="mailto:kerroffice@windstream.net">kerroffice@windstream.net</a> by 9am on Thursday, December 14, 2017. |                                           |                   |                                             | <b>BAPTIST SHARING HOUSE NEEDS</b><br>Canned Meat, Spaghetti Sauce, Canned Milk, Jiffy Mix, Flour, Sugar, Canned Vegetables |                                                                              |                                            |