

**Financial Giving Report
December 6, 2015**

Total	\$12,302.00
Regular Offering.....	9,009.50
Building Fund.....	1,457.00
Poinsettias.....	33.00
Custodial Supplies.....	56.50
Pioneers.....	10.00
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(Keenagers for Ric & Amy Kosonavic)	
Samaritans Purse.....	14.00
(Operation Christmas Child)	
Debt Retirement.....	109.00
Debt Reduction.....	176.00
(Bucket Money)	
Debt Retirement Honorariums...	175.00
Mr. Bobby Moss, Mr. Bobby Jo Gibbs,	
Mr. Mike Cohen, Mr. Frank Alexander,	
Mrs. Ann Vassey [honor of her birthday]	
Lottie Moon Offering.....	492.00
Lottie Moon Offering.....	100.00
(Keenagers)	
Lottie Moon Memorials.....	620.00
Mrs. Ema Neely Wilson	
Mr. Wilbur F. Smith, Jr.	
Mr. Jim "Pop Pop" Nichols	

**Financial Giving Report
December 13, 2015**


Total	\$9,320.00
Regular Offering.....	5,621.00
Building Fund.....	783.00
Connie Maxwell Children's Home....	100.00
Envelopes.....	2.00
Pioneers (Ric & Amy Kosonavic)	2.00
Debt Reduction Offering.....	316.00
Debt Retirement	209.00
(Bucket Money)	
Debt Retirement (Ivey Reunion)..	25.00
Debt Reduction Honorariums	100.00
Mr. & Mrs. Tommy Anthony,	
Mr. Patrick Russell, Mr. Wilbur Smith,	
Mr. & Mrs. James Coffey	
Debt Reduction Memorial.....	25.00
Mr. John D. Long III	
Lottie Moon Offering.....	1,277.00
Lottie Moon Memorials.....	860.00
Mr. Ricky Roark [memory of his birthday]	
Mr. & Mrs. Watson White	
Mr. Gene Edwards	
Mr. Bob Edwards	
Mr. Marshall Hodge	
Mr. Ernest Anthony	

Seniors Join Us!

Each Monday at 10 am in the FLC for Senior Exercise Program led by Jean Young.

For Your Information

Use of the Fellowship Hall, Family Life Center & Canteen now has to be approved for **members & non-members** by the Deacons and Property Committee. This action was approved July 19, 2015 at Quarterly Business Meeting. Please pick up your reservation request form in the church office if you do not have access to send an email request. You may email your reservation request to the church office: tabernacle@tbcunion.com. **If you had an event reserved on this year's calendar (such as a reunion), you MUST fill out the reservation request form NOW for 2016 to insure your date is available and approved for your event next year.**

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Lottie Moon Christmas Offering
Our Goal: \$12,000
Received to Date: \$4,344
Needed to Reach Goal: \$7,656

Every Christmas season, while we give attention to the message of God coming to earth, we also challenge our church to give so that other people may hear that message. We do so through the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering which supports Southern Baptist missionaries as they share the Gospel overseas. As followers of Christ, we must be obedient to Him, whatever the cost. We must be His heart, His hands, and His voice in the midst of a world filled with lost people. Although we as Southern Baptists have been praying, giving, and going for over 160 years, the task is far from finished. Please pray and give sacrificially as God leads.



*Wishing you and your family
 a very Blessed & Merry Christmas!*

Robert, Donna, Joey & Caleb Chapman

Jean Young
 Jeanie Malone
 Delores J. Morgan
 Cyle & Alison Coker
 Don Raye Shetley

Lottie Moon Christmas Offering Quiz

- The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering is named after a missionary who worked in:**
 - Alabama
 - Bolivia
 - China
 - Denver
- The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering supports missionaries who share God's love:**
 - in Afghanistan
 - below the equator
 - in China
 - "Down under" in Australia
 - everywhere in the world...so all of the above
- Money for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering can be:**
 - any amount
 - \$20 or more
 - \$50 or more
 - \$1 million or more
- The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering gifts can be given:**
 - Only at Christmas
 - Any time of the year
 - Between Christmas and Easter
 - Between Thanksgiving and Christmas
- Your Lottie Moon Christmas Offering gifts help pay for:**
 - Bibles and songbooks, basketballs and school supplies
 - Cars, trucks, boats and ox cart rides
 - Missionaries' salaries and doctor visits
 - All of the above - and much more!

(Answers: 1c, 2e, 3a, 4b, 5d)

**Deacon of the Month
(December)**

John Gregory

**Inside Greeters
December 20, 2015**

William Smith
Graham Williams
Gene Gregory

**Extended Session
December 20, 2015**

Babies & Toddlers: Donna Chapman
Ashley Gough

Sun. Night: Jeff & Maxine Craft

Wed. Night: Hazel McKinney
Mary Lawson

**Deacon of the Month
(December)**

John Gregory

**Inside Greeters
December 27, 2015**

Dudley & Hazel Adams
Calvin & Annette Walker

**Extended Session
December 27, 2015**

Babies & Toddlers: Hazel Adams
Annette Walker

Sun. Night: Judy Graham

Wed. Night: James & Cynthia Coffey

**Deacon of the Month
(January)**

Tommy McManus

**Inside Greeters
January 3, 2016**

Wayne Burgess
Elease Osborne

**Extended Session
January 3, 2016**

Babies & Toddlers: Jason & Amy
Spencer

Sun. Night: Randy & Kay Wilburn

Wed. Night: Ricky & Amy Smith

Upcoming Events

The Children's Choir will practice Saturday, December 19, 2015, from 10:00 am to Noon in the Sanctuary for their Christmas Musical "**Star of Wonder**".

The Children's Choir will present "**Star of Wonder**" Sunday, December 20, 2015, during the Morning Worship service in the Sanctuary. You don't want to miss this delightful musical!

The Christmas Eve Candlelight Service and The Lord's Supper will be Thursday, December 24, 2015, at 6:00 pm in the Sanctuary.

The church office will be closed Thursday, December 24, 2015, in observance of Christmas Eve and Friday, December 25, 2015, in observance of Christmas Day.

For your information Dr. Tommy Vaughn, son of Mr. Garland Vaughn and the late Mrs. Margaret Vaughn, will be speaking Sunday morning, December 27, 2015, and Sunday morning, January 3, 2016, in the absence of the Pastor.

The church office will be closed Friday, January 1, 2016, in observance of New Year's Day.

For Your Information

Please pick up your December church calendar & the December ECHO (UCBA) newsletter at the Welcome Center.

From the Property Committee

The carpet has been cleaned in the sanctuary, main hallway and other rooms of the church. Just to remind you according to the Worship Area Policy of the By-Laws, no food or drink to be brought into the sanctuary. We're asking that you do your part in keeping the sanctuary clean and neat by following the policy. Remember this is the Lord's House. We have come to worship Him.

From the Transportation (Bus) Committee

For anyone using the buses, the Transportation (Bus) Committee requests that you put the buses back in Buck's building that day or evening when your event is ended. That way the buses will not be out in the weather, not be subject to vandalism, and not be put up for an extended period of time. If you have any questions, please contact the Transportation (Bus) Committee [William Smith, Curtis Plexico & Kevin Smith].

**Special Occasion Gift "Vision 2016"
Debt Retirement Program**

Are you considering a special occasion gift such as Christmas, birthday, anniversary, etc., for Tabernacle friends & family members this year who seem to have everything they need? Consider a gift that keeps on giving! A gift to "Vision 2016", our Debt Retirement Program, will help us reach our goal, minister to our community, and serve our God. Debt Retirement honorariums and memorials will be listed in the LINK and the bulletin on an ongoing basis.

Debt Reduction (Bucket Money)

December 6, 2015: \$176.00

December 13, 2015: \$209.00

"Vision 2016"

Debt Retirement Honorariums

Mr. Bobby Moss, Mr. Bobby Jo Gibbs
Mr. Mike Cohen, Mr. Frank Alexander
Mrs. Ann Vassey

Mr. & Mrs. Tommy Anthony

Mr. Wilbur Smith, Mr. Patrick Russell
Mr. & Mrs. James Coffey

"Vision 2016"

Debt Retirement Memorial

Mr. John D. Long III

Our Hospital List

**SRMC, 101 E. Wood Street
Spartanburg SC 29307**

*Martha Belue - Room 8524

(Jean Young's mother)

2016 Offering Envelopes

Your 2016 Offering Envelopes will be ready to be picked up beginning Sunday, December 20, 2015. They are in alphabetical order on the table across from the Welcome Center and on the table in front of the Welcome Center. We are ordering less contribution envelopes now. **If your envelope number was 326 through 374, we have assigned you a new number.** Thank you for your understanding. If you have any questions, please call the church office.

Christian Sympathy

Our deepest Christian sympathy is extended to Mrs. Miriam Roark & her family and other family members in the loss of Miriam's sister-in-law, *Mrs. Ema Neely Wilson of Knoxville, Tennessee, who passed away Monday, November 30, 2015.

Our deepest Christian sympathy is extended to Mr. & Mrs. Marty Shugart, Tyler, Brett & Taylor in the loss of Marty's sister, *Mrs. Lynn Shugart Parkins of Jonesville, South Carolina, who passed away Thursday, December 3, 2015, at Spartanburg Regional Medical Center.

Our deepest Christian sympathy is extended to Mrs. Deane Rector & her family and other family members in the loss of Deane's cousin, *Mrs. Myrtle Gregory Maybin of Union, South Carolina, who passed away Tuesday, December 8, 2015, at Regional Hospice House.

Our deepest Christian sympathy is extended to Mrs. Dot Stewart & her family and other family members in the loss of Dot's niece, *Mrs. Linda Sinclair Alexander of Whitmire, South Carolina, who passed away Thursday, December 10, 2015.