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The Voice

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Well, it is December. The fall colors are gone and the landscape is rather drab. It continues to get dark earlier and earlier – for a couple more week anyhow. As we wind down the year we do have the joy of Christmas to buoy our spirits. And normally I use the December newsletter to contemplate the meaning of favorite Christmas carols. But this year is a little different – I think we will all be glad to start a new year.

So, in anticipation of the new year and the putting away of this year, I want to share with you a parody of a Christmas Carol to hopefully lighten our moods....This was written by R.G. Huff and would be sung to the tune of "We Three Kings".

We three Kings are six feet apart. We'll Purell before we depart.
We've been tested as suggested. careful are we and smart
Oh-- Do our masks go with our gowns? Do these face shields hide our crowns?
We've had plenty twenty twenty! Still we head towards David's town.

Melchior is now quarantined! Stuck in Persia, so it seems.
No more travel on a camel til there's a good vaccine
Oh-- Do our masks go with our gowns? Do these face shields hide our crowns?
We've had plenty twenty twenty! Still we head towards David's town.

Balthasar has lost his taste. Eating food is such a waste.
How disquieting, now he's dieting. life now is slower paced.
Oh-- Do our masks go with our gowns? Do these face shields hide our crowns?
We've had plenty twenty twenty! Still we head towards David's town.

Caspar left the caravan. He's postponed his star-gazing plans.
No more roaming; Caspar's homing, scrubbing his reddened hands.
Oh—Still our masks clash with our gowns! Face shields hide our toppled crowns!
We've had plenty twenty twenty! Soon we'll head towards David's town.

Well, we know the Covid virus is affecting more and more people, and we don't want to make light of the illness and deaths it has caused. But neither can we live in fear and allow it to control our lives. The baby whose birthday we celebrate this month is the Prince of Peace, and the Sovereign over all Creation.

My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever. (Psalm 73:26).

Your Servant,
Timothy



Ministers & Wives Christmas Dinner

Thursday, December 10, 2020, 6:00 PM

Golden Corral, Osage Beach

All pastors and wives are free

**Other ministers (associates, retired, etc. are welcome
at a cost of \$16.00 per person.)**

**ASSOCIATION COUNCIL
MEETING
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15,
6:30 PM
ASSOCIATION OFFICE
401 CHAMPAIN, ELDON**

SAVE THE DATE

**Children's Camp
July 5-9, 2021
Camp P82, Rocky Mount**

**Mark your calendars now so your children will be
able to attend. Details will be forthcoming.**

**YOUTH EVENT
JANUARY 30
IBERIA FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
This will be an
afternoon/evening event.
Mark your calendars now
Details coming!**

**EXECUTIVE BOARD
MEETING
JANUARY 12, 7:00 pm
CORNERSTONE CHURCH
CAMDENTON**

UPCOMING EVENTS

December 10: Pastors and Wives Christmas Banquet – Golden Corral, Osage Beach – 6:00 PM

December 15: Association Council Meeting, 6:30 PM, Association Office

December 18-19: Rocky Mount Food Pantry Open

December 25: Christmas

January 5: Camp Committee Meeting, 1:30 p.m. LOBA Office

January 9: Pastor and wives Breakfast Fellowship, Blue Springs Baptist Church, 8:30 AM

January 12: Executive Board Meeting, Cornerstone Baptist Church, 7:00 PM

January 29-30: Rocky Mount Food Pantry Open

January 30: Youth event at FBC Iberia

July 5-9: Camp at Camp P82



Congratulations to Zach and Kati Shelton on the birth of their first child!

Abel John Shelton was born this morning, December 3, at 12:12am. He is 7lbs 14oz and is 20 inches long. Both Kati and Abel are doing great. Zach is Associate Pastor of Worship and Outreach at Riverview B.C.

