

**The Smith County Baptist
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Upcoming Events

- December 23rd-25th**—Christmas—Office Closed
- December 31st—January 1st**—New Year—Office Closed
- January 12th**—Women On Mission meeting—Tuesday, January 12th at 6:00 p.m.
- January 18th**—Executive Committee Meeting—6:30 p.m.—Association Office
- January 29th-31st**—DNOW—Liberty Baptist Church
- January 28th**—Road To Calvary—Liberty Baptist Church
- February 6th**—Road To Calvary—Liberty Baptist Church
- March 21st**—Vacation Bible School Clinic—FBC Raleigh 6:30 p.m.

ATTENTION Pastors and VBS Directors

Lifeway kits will be available for sale in the association office by the end of January. Please remember that for each kit sold through the association we will receive commission. If you have any questions please give us a call.

Pure and undefiled religion before God and the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their trouble, and to keep oneself unspotted from the world. James 1:27

Women On Mission

If you are mission minded and have a desire to serve widows, orphans and foster children in our community, please join us on Tuesday evening, **January 12th** at 6:00 p.m. at the association office. Bring your favorite finger food. Dessert and drinks will be provided.

*God's love cost us nothing
God's love gives us everything*

Call the association office if you have any questions.

Rolling Acres Nursing Home Schedule

December 13, 2015	Corinth Baptist Church
December 20, 2015	Rocky Hill Baptist Church
December 27, 2015	FBC, Raleigh
January 03, 2015	Raleigh UMC
January 10, 2015	Goodwater Baptist Church
January 17, 2015	Sylvarena Baptist Church

New Year's Eve Celebration

Sharon Baptist Church would like to invite everyone to a New Year's Eve celebration at the Smith County Ag Complex on Thursday evening, December 31st. Gates will open at six p.m. There will be free food, fireworks and singing by Terry Joe Terrell and the Wilson family. For more information please call Bro. Dean Cook, pastor of Sharon Baptist at 601-278-4980.

Happy New Year

**Operation Christmas Child Update
Christmas Shoebox Ministry**

A special thanks to churches and individuals who participated in the 2015 Shoebox Ministry. With your help the county collected **1,861** shoeboxes. Each box packed by you has the potential to reach someone for Jesus Christ.

Also, we would like to thank Hazel Gunter, Janice Sullivan and Donna Boggan for their many hours of organizing shoeboxes and getting them ready for pickup and shipment. We also had many volunteers who came out on Thursday evening, November 19th to help with packing shoeboxes in the large shipping cartons, Bro. Don and Julie McMaster, Linda Parker, Donna Boggan, Tina James, Breland Baldwin, Mitch Glenn, Marsha Hays, Zoe Hays, Jasper Hays, Mia Hays, Sawyer Hays, Levi Hays, Jackie Dollar, Cheyenne Dollar and McKenna Dollar.

We will give an update next month on the number of shoeboxes collected on the national level and what countries will receive them.

YOUR IMPACT THROUGH THE LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING



Special **"THANKS"** to Raleigh Elementary School students for collecting over a 1000 cans of food for the food pantry. Also, the Raleigh High School Beta Club and Student Council sponsored a food drive and collected many food items. Your thoughtfulness will help many families during the next few weeks.

Special **"THANKS"** to the Town of Raleigh, Raleigh Woman's Club, Raleigh Homemakers, Raleigh Friends of the Library and the Raleigh Chamber of Commerce for collecting 1,445 items for the food pantry, We appreciate the support of everyone.

Merry Christmas to All!

(The numbers above are taken from the 2014 Annual Statistical Report, a summary of Southern Baptist work overseas in 2013. For up-to-date statistics, go to public.imb.org/globalresearch.)

