\*Birthdays

### December 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	*Emerie Crouch 5	MEN'S BREAK-6
		LOTTIE M	OON WEEK C	OF PRAYER		JOY CLASS PARTY 11:30AM
			5:30p-Hybrid Prayer Mtg 5:30p-Youth Bible Study			PARADE 2PM
9a-Music Rehearsal 10a-Sunday School 11a-Worship 5p-Bible Study	*Lee McDaniel 8	9	5:30p-Hybrid Prayer Mtg 5:30p-Youth Bible Study	11	12	CALVARY RESCUE MISSION 6PM
14 9a-Music Rehearsal 10a-Sunday School 11a-Worship Christmas Luncheon following Worship	15	16	17 5:30p-Hybrid Prayer Mtg 5:30p-Youth Bible Study	18	DRIVE THRU PRAYER 4:00 PM	20
9a-Music Rehearsal 10a-Sunday School 11a-Worship 2p-Silver Creek Ministry	22	CANDLELIGHT SERVICE 4P	Christmas Eve <b>24</b>	Christmas 25  HAPPY BIRTHDAY JESUS	26	27
9a-Music Rehearsal 10a-Sunday School 11a-Worship	29	30	*Garah Millner 31	Jav 1/1—William Stu 1/13—Dee Dee Ru 1/15—Larry Hall	llet 1/22—Kay Stev	ffer ens layes

# TEMPLE TIDINGS

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#### **LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING**



Since 1888, the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering® for international missions has supported Southern Baptist missionaries as they share the gospel around the world. The offering represents 59 percent of IMB total annual support. Every penny you give to the offering goes directly to support missionaries, including salaries, medical care, housing, transportation, and children's education. This year's TBC goal is \$6,500



#### **CHRISTMAS MEAL**

Join us December 14 following Worship for a Fellowship Meal provided by your Staff & Deacons.

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear TBC family,

It's December! Another opportunity has come to experience the joy and wonder of Christmas. Christmas is for everyone, because Christ came into the world at the first Christmas to die for all our sins and make a way of salvation for all who trust in Him.

Remember how the shepherds hurried to the stable in Bethlehem and the Magi came to find the baby King. Can we demonstrate the same kind of excitement and joy, as we approach the glory of what Christmas means?

We can become cynical about the commercialism of Christmas, resentful of the expense, and irritable when our holiday plate overflows with to-dos, commitments and responsibilities. But we shouldn't! Let's rejoice over the blessings of the season and embrace the Joy of Christmas.

Many opportunities exist this month at Temple to help us do this.

**Nov. 30-Dec. 7**—Week of Prayer for International Missions and the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

**Dec. 6 @ 2 PM**—Participation in the Olive Branch Annual Christmas Parade.

**Dec. 13**—Feed and worship with folks at Calvary Rescue Mission.

**Dec. 14**—Special Christmas worship and meal served by deacons and church staff.

**Dec. 14**—Delivery of Christmas baskets to our homebound members.

Dec. 21—Worship at Silver Creek 2:00 PM.

**Dec. 23**—Christmas Eve Eve Candlelight Service at 4 PM.

Let me encourage you to participate in as many of these as you can.

Joyfully yours,

Sam



#### **SUNDAYS AT TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH:**

Music Rehearsal 9am—See Cayman Blount if you would like to join us. Bible Study 10am—Classes for all ages.

**Morning Worship 11am**—You can also listen to worship onsite through your car radio on 87.9FM.

Evening Bible Study 5:00pm—We do not meet for Evening Study on holiday weekends or during June/July. Watch your bulletin or online church calendar for updates.

#### WEDNESDAY Youth Group in person 5:30pm

Prayer Meeting (in person or on Zoom ) <u>5:30pm</u> (Meeting ID: 844 462 5736, Passcode: 568363)

**GIVING** Supporting the work of our Lord through TBC is easier than ever:



- ◆ You can mail your donation—the mailbox is checked regularly.
- ◆ You can give safely online using our website: TempleBaptistOB.com by simply clicking on the GIVE tab.

Dear Temple Baptist Church,

Thank you so much for the gift to St. Jude in memory of my mom, Vivian Herrington Penny. It was a sweet expression of your love for her.

She grew up at Temple and spent 86 years serving the Lord there. The church was such an integral part of her life and meant so much to her.

It was a blessing to see some of the members at the funeral.

Yours in Christ, Joyce Herrington Pittman

### In Memoriam

The Pastor and Church Family extend our prayers and deepest sympathy to the family & friends of Temple Member,

Betty Jo Morgan

March 8, 1936—November 19, 2025

And past member, **Dell Woods-Stephens**April 29, 1949—November 11, 2025



The Lottie Moon Christmas Post Office is in the back foyer. You can use the LMPO to send Christmas cards to your Church family. Donations will go toward our Lottie Moon Christmas Offering goal.

Suggested Donation: 25¢ per card.



#### OLIVE BRANCH CHRISTMAS PARADE—DECEMBER 6 @ 2PM

TBC will be doing a joint float with the Girl Scouts. Float Theme: Charlie Brown Christmas. Church adults can wear Temple shirts from years past; kids can wear Charlie Brown or Linus-striped shirts. Line up starts at noon. See Kelley to get involved in this fun Community Outreach opportunity.





## CALVARY RESCUE MISSION SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13

We will prepare and serve a meal to the mission residents and spend time in Worship with them.

See Shelly or Lori to get involved in this Outreach Ministry.



PRAYER DRIVE-THRU FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19 @ 4PM

Join us as we reach out to our community through prayer!

See Sam or Cayman if you would like to get involved in this Community Outreach Ministry.