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Bethlehem Baptist Church

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Our Valentine's Day Banquet will be Saturday, February 11th at 6:00 pm. Adult tickets are \$12 and our theme for this year is "Taco Bout Love". Our meal for the evening will be Pollo Ranchero (Grilled Chicken, Cheese & Bacon), Rice, Black Beans, Salad & Dessert. An amazing night has been planned and you don't want to miss it. Childcare tickets are \$3.

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Psalm 71:8, "My mouth is filled with your praise, and with your glory all the day."

What a verse! The Psalmist declares from the moment we wake up to the moment we lay our heads down we are to praise the Lord. Is this how you live your life? Are we looking for opportunities throughout our day to praise and worship Him? I challenge you this month to fill your mouth with His praise and His glory. What a God-centered way to live.

One of my favorite phrases to use is, "Won't He do it." The reason I love this phrase is that there isn't anything that God can't do in our lives. God continues to be faithful in all of life's circumstances and He alone deserves our praise. In the first month of this new year we have seen God's mighty hand in our church family. I praise the Lord for the two students He has saved, for the families who have joined, and for his presence in our worship services. God is good. I praise the Lord for our leadership, the ministries God allows us to be a part of, and for our new small groups. Did you know that we have over 90 folks who are involved in our small group bible study on Sunday nights? We have over 90 folks who are walking through discipleship and Experiencing God. If you are not involved yet we still have a place for you. It is my prayer for each of us to live in a Psalm 71:8 kind of way every day. God teach us to live this way. May we not neglect to praise and glorify Him with our lives.

Church family I want to encourage you on a few upcoming events this month. First of all, this Sunday February 5th we will be having a special service entitled "Power in Prayer." You don't want to miss it. We will be praying over different areas and aspects of our ministries at BBC. On February 11th we will be hosting our Valentine's Banquet. This is a time for us to enjoy fellowship with one another and have a little fun. Make sure you purchase your tickets this upcoming Sunday. Also, on February 12th we will have our Super Goal Sunday. This is a Sunday we encourage you to invite family and friends who are not involved in church to come with you. Our goal is 150 people in Sunday School and 230 people in worship. Will you invite someone to come with you?

Church family I love you and I am thankful to be a part of God's kingdom with you.

From Your Youth Pastor: Zach Byrd

Church family, I am so glad that we have made it through the busy holiday season and we are now one month into the new year.

Thankfully life slows down a little this time of year and we can relax right? Wrong! Life is always so busy no matter what time of year it is. How do we keep from getting so overwhelmed?



The bible says this of Jesus in Mark 1:35, "Now in the morning having risen long before daylight, He went out and departed to a solitary place; and there He prayed." Jesus, though He was fully God, also experienced the limitations of being fully man. He was restrained by time, He was limited by exhaustion and He desired nourishment like any other human whoever lived. Jesus, during His earthly ministry, was a very busy man. He intentionally poured His life into 12 men, taught the multitudes, healed the sick and refuted the religious naysayers of the day. Jesus lived a very stressful and demanding life just like many of us do.

Jesus had 24 hours in each day and 7 days in each week just like you and I have today. The unique thing to point out is how he used His time. He knew of the priority of prayer and He understood the need to remain spiritually fresh. Do we? As we walk through this busy life, my challenge to you is to make God, and time spent with Him, a daily priority.

Zach

Bible Study:

Wednesday night at 6:30 pm Sunday night at 6:00 pm

February 15 - HOPE - We will leave the church at 6:15 pm

February 24-26 - Ski Trip

April 5th - \$50 deposit for SummerSalt due



Second Baptist is hosting a
Disaster Relief Training for Mud
Out and Chainsaw on Saturday,
February 11th from 7:30 am
until noon. If you are interested,
you may register at https://
lancastersbc.org/
event/10794019-2023-02-11disaster-relief-training-2022/



The first part of Psalm 100 says, "Worship the LORD with gladness; come before Him with joyful songs. Know that the LORD is God." There is so much to be thankful for. If you are being led to join the music ministry through sound, choir or instruments, please come and see me. There is a place for you.

Love in Christ, April



All ladies are invited to join us Tuesday, February 14th at 6:30 pm. We will have

a cookie/brownie swap. Bring your favorite tray of choice. Light refreshments will be provided.



We are going to "Follow Through" for our JAM theme this year. As followers of Jesus, we are called to "Follow Through" to continue pursuing our relationship with Jesus and our relationships with others. Our theme

verse is I Timothy 4:12, "Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity."

February 1 - BARF (Bring a Friend)

February 8 - OCC: Deodorant

February 15 - Wear Red Night

February 22 - Store Night



Will meet Sunday, February 5th at 3:30 pm.



Thursday, February 16th at 7:00 pm in the FLC.

SERVING for the month of February

Sunday, February 5

Sound

Adam Nguyen

Video

Caeden Deese

FB Live

Susan Montgomery

Nursery

Brittaney & Matt Coppedge

Children's Worship (PS)

Jessica Williams, Karen Whitaker

Children's Worship (K-3rd Gr)

Charity Deese, Brittany Blackmon

Security

Kevin Helms, Doug Robertson

Sunday, February 12

Sound

Jake Workman

Video

Halie Workman

FB Live

Melissa Wallace

Nursery

Janet Segee, Sandy Cauthen

Children's Worship (PS)

Cheryl Morgan, Allana Morgan

Children's Worship (K-3rd Gr)

Peyton Deese, Alexis Blackmon, Ashley Lee

Security

Rex Knight, Chris Hudson

Sunday, February 19

Sound

Adam Nguyen

Video

Susan Montgomery

FB Live

Adam Nguyen

Nursery

Jaime & Anthony Marshall

Children's Worship (PS)

Kimberly Funderburk, Julie Craig

Children's Worship (K-3rd Gr)

Brittany Short, Lisa Smith

Security

Jamie Sims, Doug Deese

Sunday, February 26

Sound

Jake Workman

Video

Staci Holden

FB Live

Joni Catoe

Nursery

Joe & Melissa Wright

Children's Worship (PS)

Tiffany Nguyen, Nancy Nguyen, Teresa Moseley

Children's Worship (K-3rd Gr)

Joining Corporate Worship

Security

Ryan Jordan, Bryan Jenkins

Wed Night Sound/FB Live

February 1 - Susan Montgomery

February 8 - Melissa Wallace

February 15 - Adam Nguyen

February 22 - Joni Catoe



Operation Christmas Child

collections for

February will be brushes, hairbows, clips

and combs.

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Items Needed: Grits, jelly,



Juice, 1 lb. bag of rice; peanut butter, canned peas, canned

assorted veggies and canned chicken.



Buck Adams

Wayne & Laura Boone

Donna Riley



Sunday, February 12th

Our goal is 130 for Sunday School and 250 for Worship.

Everyone is invited to pick up breakfast on your way to Sunday School beginning at 8:30 am under the awning of the FLC.



- 1 Frances Clifton
- 5 Brentley Baker
- 7 Becky Sanders
- 8 Bentley Williams, Brantlee Williams
- 9 Payton Bowers
- 13 Dianne Deason
- 15 Phillip Hammond
- 18 Zach Byrd
- 19 Kevin Helms, Jeff Holden
- 21 Karen Whitaker
- 22 Cameron Benton
- 23 Missy Blackmon, Helen Hudson
- 24 Harper Workman
- 25 Ned Rowell
- 26 Jakie Blackmon, Dianne Pitmon, Paula Tuten
- 27 Cass Wall
- 28 Xuan Nguyen

The Sewing Ladies will meet Tuesday, February 7th at 9:00 am in the FLC.





Quilters will meet Saturday, February 18th at 9:00 am in the FLC.

Crochet group will meet Thursday, February 23rd at 6:30 pm in Janice Mathis'





- 8 Jakie & Barbara Blackmon
- 17 Ronnie & Jessica Williams



Has any of your contact information changed?

Please contact the church office at 803-286-8567 or bethlehem@comporium.net to update your information.

We like to communicate in a variety of ways so let us know if your physical or email address has changed as well as your primary phone number.



Month of January

	<u>Tithes</u>	CIF
January 1	\$11,765.00	\$50.00
January 8	\$11,616.00	\$0.00
January 15	\$8,172.00	\$0.00
January 22	\$13,205.00	\$530.00
January 29	\$12,035.00	\$1,000.00
Totals	\$56,793.00	\$1,580.00

MEMORIALS

Capital Improvement Fund

IN MEMORY OF

Barbara Stogner

Marion & Dianne Pitmon

IN MEMORY OF

Phyllis Coppedge

Paula Tuten



Baby shower for Logan and Ansley Segee on Sunday, February 5th at 2:30 pm in the FLC. They are registered at Target and Amazon.



Zethlehem Stars



Join us on February 28th from 10:00 am until 1:00 pm in the FLC. Everyone is asked to bring a covered dish for our fellowship and we will have a guest speaker.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			JAM & Youth 6:30 pm Adult Bible Study 7:00 pm	2	3	4 First Aid Training 9:00 am FLC
5 Deacon's Meeting 3:30 pm	6	7 The Sewing Ladies 9:00 am FLC	8 JAM & Youth 6:30 pm Adult Bible Study 7:00 pm	9	10	Valentine's Banquet 6:00 pm
Super Goal Sunday	13	Women's Ministry 6:30 pm FLC	15 Youth to HOPE 6:15 pm JAM 6:30 pm Adult Bible Study 7:00 pm	16 Men's Ministry 7:00 pm FLC	17	18 Quilters 9:00 am FLC
19	20	21	JAM & Youth 6:30 pm Adult Bible Study 7:00 pm	23 Crochet Group 6:30 pm	Children's Winter Camp Youth Skiing	25 Children's Winter Camp Youth Skiing
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