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Bethlehem Baptist Church

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Join us for a church-wide New Year's Celebration on Sunday, December 31st from 6-8 pm. Everyone is asked to bring finger foods as we enjoy a night of fun with prizes, games, fellowship and fireworks.

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1 Timothy 4:10, "For to this end we toil and strive, because we have our hope set on the living God, who is the Savior of all people, especially of those who believe."

Happy New Year!! 2023 has been a wonderful year for BBC, and I look forward to all that God has in store for 2024. In this verse, Paul states, "we toil and strive" to live godly lives because our hope is set on a living God. This year, may we individually and corporately commit to giving ourselves to the things of the Lord. I know many of us are already thinking about getting a little healthier as the new year approaches. I know I am planning on a better workout routine than the one I currently have. I believe you can agree that when we wake up we intend on working out but then that extra fifteen minutes sure looks better. Then it happens the bed overrules our desire to get in shape. This year, I challenge each of us to not be satisfied with where we are spiritually. May we toil and strive in whatever area the Lord sees fit for our lives.

This year, I continue to challenge you to toil, strive, and tell one person in your life about the good news of the gospel.

I also encourage you to be a part of our Sunday night services starting in January. This year, we will begin our first small group series in the sanctuary together. We will be walking through Louie Giglio's study, "Don't Give the Enemy a Seat at Your Table." I pray you will make this a part of your priorities in the new year.

Finally, I encourage you to seek the Lord and grow deeper in your relationship with the Lord in 2024.

Pastor Patrick

From Your Youth Pastor: Zach Byrd

Happy New Year everyone! As we look back over the last year at all that God has done, it makes me even more excited for what will take place in 2024! This is going to be really "preachy," but I am going to say it anyway. My encouragement to each of us this year is to be consistent in at least three areas. These three areas



are: Praise, Prayer and Presence. We must be a people of praise (Psalm 34:1), a people of prayer (1 Thessalonians 5:17), and a people who desire the Lord's presence in our lives (Hebrews 10:19-22). I pray that you will stay hungry and consistent in these three areas as we press on through a new year.

Zach Byrd

Bible Study: Sunday at 6:00 pm and Wednesday at 6:30 pm

Encounter Winter Camp: January 26-27

SummerSalt June 24-28, 2024: \$50 deposit is due

February 21st

We are so grateful for the support our 2 students have received so far with food and snacks. Please continue to support them by bringing food items they can easily prepare themselves. Specific items include pop top cans (i.e. beanee

weenees), beef stew, and cereal bowls. We are good on drinks, pop tarts and ramen noodles at this time. Pease do not include glass jars.





Will meet Sunday, January 7th at 3:30 pm.



Will meet Thursday, January 18th at 7:00 pm. A sign up sheet is on the welcome table.



Thank you for 3 years of Service! Worship Director April Branham January 3, 2021



Happy New Year! I'm excited to see how the Lord will continue to move in our midst in 2024. This past year has been a great time of learning who God is and how to trust and follow Him. If you are interested in being a part of the Music Ministry, please come and talk with me. We have a place for you!

Love in Christ, April



Happy New Year Church family! I can't believe it is 2024! As I sit here and reflect on this past year, I am overwhelmed by God's goodness and how He has provided for us as a church. I am thankful for the growth He has given us personally and as a church family. I am thankful for new relationships, and how

He has guided us over the course of the year. My prayer for the New Year is that we will continue to let the Lord lead us, and that He will be glorified in everything we do! With all that being said, I am extremely excited to kick off the New Year! Our kids will be heading to Look Up Lodge Winter Camp on January 26th through 28th. This is always something we look forward to, so please be in prayer for our time there! I can't wait to see what 2024 has in store, and I am excited for all that we will get to be a part of together.

Upcoming Dates:

Jan 26th-28th: Winter Camp at Look Up Lodge

Aug 5th-8th: Summer Camp at Look Up Lodge

Yancey Dingler



Diaper and wipes shower for Johnathan & Hannah Starnes during the month of January. You may give your gift directly to them or Charity Deese.

January collections include hygiene items: toothbrushes, deodorant, soap and wash rags.



Sunday, January 7

Sound

Adam Nguyen

<u>Video</u>

Susan Montgomery

FB Live

Adam Nguyen

Nursery

Anthony & Jaime Marshall

Children's Worship (PS)

Yancey Dingler, Kayla Patterson, Hannah Watts

Children's Worship (K-3rd Gr)

Haley Vincent, Tonda Wallace, Youth

Security

Wayne Boone, Jeff Funderburk

Sunday, January 14

Sound

Jake Workman

Video

Staci Holden

FB Live

Joni Catoe

Nursery

Ryan & Anna Jordan

Children's Worship (PS)

Steve & Karen Dingler, Alyviah McGriff

Children's Worship (K-3rd Gr)

Susan Montgomery, Ronnie Bailey

Security

Todd Wallace, Ronnie Williams

Sunday, January 21

Sound

Adam Nguyen

<u>Video</u>

Joni Catoe

FB Live

Faye Zaugg

Nursery

Matt & Brittaney Coppedge, Renee Coppedge

Children's Worship (PS)

Jessica Williams, Karen Whitaker

Children's Worship (K-3rd Gr)

Bryan & Megan Jenkins, Youth

Security

Jamie Sims, Barry Faile

Sunday, January 28

Sound

Jake Workman

<u>Video</u>

Melissa Wallance

FB Live

Ronnie Williams

Nursery

Joe & Melissa Wright

Children's Worship (PS)

Allana Morgan, Amy Small, Julia Craig

Children's Worship (K-3rd Gr)

Joining Corporate Worship

Security

Rex Knight, Jakie Blackmon



Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

BBC Goal:

\$4,000

Collected:

\$8,291*

(As of 12-24-23)

Current needs include:
hamburger helper, canned
beef stew, canned tuna,
canned corn, 1 lb. bag of dry beans,
canned fruit, syrup, stuffing mix, 24 oz.
cooking oil, hygiene products
(toothpaste, deodorant, mouthwash,
toothbrushes).



This year, we are going to be studying God's promises through the Old Testament with Faithful Promises. Faithful Promises will lead kids to discover the steadfast faithfulness of God through Old Testament promises. Kids will explore the

details of the major covenants promised in the Old Testament and connect the bigger reality of God's faithfulness to their every circumstance. Through the covenants God made to Adam, Noah, Moses, David and others, kids will connect to the God of steadfast faithfulness, even when we are unfaithful, and see how all of God's promises are ultimately fulfilled in Jesus. Join us each Wednesday night at 6:30 pm.

January 3 - BARF (Bring a Friend)

January 10 - OCC: Socks

January 17 - Wear White Night

January 24 - Wear your Pajamas to Church

January 31 - Store Night

Monday, January 8, 29 - Judy Whitaker, Don White Tuesday, January 9, 30 - Judy Whitaker, Don White Wednesday, January 10, 31 - Larry & Hollis Deason Thursday, January 11, Feb 1 - Larry & Hollis Deason Friday, January 12, Feb 2 - Ernest

& Peggy Phillips



- 3 Jeremy Morris, Austin Baker
- 5 Larry Glenn
- 6 Mark Smith, Jr., Sawyer Jenkins
- 8 Reagan Morris
- 9 Lucas Dunlap, Justin Harper, Jamie Sims
- 10 Hannah Starnes
- 12 Sandy Cauthen, Margaret Porter
- 13 Sandra Bailey
- 14 Dan Dapper
- 15 Kayden Watts
- 16 Donovan Small, Jake Workman
- 18 Debra Sistare
- 19 Doug Deese
- 20 Halie Workman, Bobby Morgan
- 21 Stacy Short, Molly Mills, Cindy Carnes, Marion Pitmon, Judy Whitaker
- 22 Joseph Wright
- 26 Abbey Ledlow, Haley Ledlow
- 27 Lawson Branham
- 28 Pat Sistare
- 29 Alyviah McGriff
- 30 Monty Craig



- 1 Jackie & Darnell Adams
- 26 Jeremy & Heidie Ledlow
- 29 Bobby & Cheryl Morgan



Month of December

<u>Tithes</u>	CIF	
\$13,608.09	\$0.00	
\$5,889.00	\$50.00	
\$14,322.00	\$0.00	
\$12,646.00	\$0.00	
TBA*	TBA*	
\$46,465.09*	\$50.00 *	
	\$13,608.09 \$5,889.00 \$14,322.00 \$12,646.00 TBA*	



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.

Capital Improvement Fund

IN MEMORY OF

James Garris

Mixed Adult 3 SS Class

In Loving Memorry



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

Quilters will meet Saturday, January 20th at 9:00 am in the FLC.





Crochet group will meet
Thursday, January 25th at
6:30 pm in the home of
Janice Mathis.



All Seniors are invited to join us on Monday, January 22nd from 10:00 am until 1:00 pm. Everyone is asked to bring a covered dish.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 NAPPY YEAR NEW YEAR	2 Meals on Wheels	Meals on Wheels JAM 6:15 pm Youth 6:30 pm Adults 7:00 pm	4 Meals on Wheels	5 Meals on Wheels	6
7 Deacon's Meeting 3:30 pm	8	9 The Sewing Ladies 9:00 am FLC	JAM 6:15 pm Youth 6:30 pm Adults 7:00 pm	11	12	13
14	15	16 Church Council Meeting 6:30 pm FLC	JAM 6:15 pm Youth 6:30 pm Adults 7:00 pm	18 Men's Ministry 7:00 pm	19	Quilters 9:00 am FLC
21	Meals on Wheels BBC Senior Adults Luncheon 10 am-1 pm	Meals on Wheels	Meals on Wheels JAM 6:15 pm Youth 6:30 pm Adults 7:00 pm	25 Meals on Wheels Crochet Group 6:30 pm	26 Meals on Wheels Kid's Winter Camp Youth Encounter Conf.	27 Kid's Winter Camp Youth Encounter Conference
28	29	30	JAM 6:15 pm Youth 6:30 pm Adults 7:00 pm	28 B	ethle	hem