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First Baptist Church

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NEWSLETTER

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Christmas EVE

Family Christmas Service, 5:00-6:00 pm

Bring the whole family and enjoy a time of worship. A Christmas message will be shared by Pastor Chad followed by a special time of communion.

Candlelight Service, 11:30 pm

Special Music, Message, Communion, Carols

Christmas Day
WORSHIP AT 10:15 AM
Childcare Provided for
Babies through 3 Year Olds
NO CONNECT GROUPS

New Year's Day
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Charles Billingsley
It's Christmas Time Again

Wednesday, December 21, 7:00 pm
Berea First Baptist Church Sanctuary
Doors Open at 6:00 pm
Admission is free. An offering will be taken during the service.



Sunday, December 18, 10:15 am

As we gather to worship the Lord on the Sunday before Christmas, our children are invited to join us on stage for a special time of music and reflection on the story of Christmas. This is just one part of a wonderful day of worship as we celebrate Christ together!

Appreciation to Brian Groce

We want to show our appreciation to Brian for his exceptional leadership during this last year. This Sunday, December 18 we encourage you to bring cards of appreciation and drop them off in the Welcome Center. Following the service, you will be able to speak to Brian and Gwen in the Welcome Center. His last day will be December 25.

Children Exceed Goal!

A very special "thank you" to everyone who contributed to the bake sale last Sunday after the children's musical. The goal was to raise \$500 And, because of your generosity, they were able to raise \$1,120 for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. Thank you!

Together WE'RE ABLE TO DO SO MUCH MORE

Your generosity in giving to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering can make an eternal impact. When you give directly to this offering, 100% of your gifts support missionaries around the world.

Lottie Moon Offering Goal: \$20,000 | Received to Date: \$7,966.08

Welcome New Members



Susan Lewis

10 Willowleaf Ct.
Greenville, SC 29617

Jean Valentine

11 Plano Dr.
Greenville, SC 29617

Judy Mason

710 Hunts Bridge Rd. Unit 20
Greenville, SC 29617

Financial Report

Sunday, December 11

Total Annual Budget.....\$1,463,071.48
Budgeted Gifts\$19,926.24*
Legacy Gifts.....\$50.00
Designated/Reimbursement.....\$7,921.56
Total Deposit.....\$27,897.80
**Does not include online giving*

Wednesday Night Schedule

December 21, 7:00 pm
Charles Billingsley Concert

December 28, 6:30 pm
No Service or Activities

January 4
Normal Schedule Resumes

Opportunities

SUNDAY

9:00 am Bible Study/Sunday School
10:15 am Morning Worship Service

WEDNESDAY

7:00 pm Charles Billingsley

THURSDAY

7:00 am Men's Prayer Time

CHURCH OFFICE SCHEDULE

The Church office will be closed
Dec. 26-30. If necessary, you can
reach Tracy anytime at 864-380-4620.

Men's Prayer Group will not meet on
Thursday morning, December 29.

This is a partial list of Memorial Gifts that we have received recently. More gifts will be listed in the next newsletter.

Douglas Baker by:	Bill Franks by:
Harriet Baker	Joe and Sammie McMurry
Cynthia Beck by:	Michael and Deborah Ferstl
Esther Sunday School Class	Joey and Lisa Merrell
Bradford North Homeowners	Nancy Harris by:
Steve and Annlynne Farr	Robert Harris, Cynthia Batson,
David and Diane Batson	Robin Eskew
Emily Blair by:	Gwenn Hayes by:
Batson Sunday School Class	Loyalty Sunday School Class
Mike and Becky Nix	Betty Willis
Ernest Reece	Phil and Alice Stegall
Gary and Julie Brock	Teresa Huffman by:
BFBC Staff by:	Walter and Evelyn Watson
Harriet Baker	Betty Willis
Marie Farr Dacus by:	Randy and Barbara Weatherford
Loyalty Sunday School Class	Mike and Becky Nix
Shirley Hester	Shep and Debbie Tallon
Betty Willis	Joe and Gwen Williams
Judith Keasler	Andrew Theodore
John and Chere Edwards	Ernest Reece
Gary and Arlene Torrens	Charles and Brenda Hall
Christine Brashier	Charles and Eleanor Bennett
Paul Dacus by:	Gary and Julie Brock
Christine Brashier	John and Lorene Morgan
Guy and Julia Davis by:	Jim and Diane Harrill
Guy and Betty Davis	Ron and Judy Granger
JoAnne Ducker by:	Bob and Kay Dobbins
Nancy Cooper	Charles Alford
Guy and Betty Davis	Coker and Associates
Randy and Janet Blair	Patty and Gary LaMothe
Women of Faith SS Class	Ronald and Judy Hix
Sam and Susan Childers	Alvin and Diane Henson Family
Betty Willis	Henry and Catherine McMillan
Joe and Gwen Williams	Linda Emory
Ken and Jean Pennington	Anne Linder
Nan Stroud	Don Craig
Sammy Huffman	Randy and Janet Blair
Bruce and Shelby Camp	Dianne and Jerry Alexander
Robert and Donna Coleman	Paul Justice, Jr. by:
Ernest Reece	Gloria, Paul III and David Justice
Joyce Clayton	and Family
Jim and Diane Harrill	Eddie Mason by:
Jean Ellison by:	Esther Sunday School Class
Doug Moody SS Class	Bridgeview 1 Association
Ernest Reece	David and Diane Batson

CONNECT GROUP TEACHERS

DINNER & DISCUSSION

Tuesday, January 10, 6:30 pm
Senior Adult Building

I would like to invite you to a dinner and discussion on Jan. 10 at 6:30 pm, in the Senior Adult Building. During our time together, we will celebrate what God has done and continues to do in your Connect Group. I look forward to sharing my heart and vision for 2023 with you, relating to our Connect Groups here at Berea First Baptist Church. I believe in this ministry and know that God is going to continue to do great things moving forward. Sign up in the Welcome Center or call the office.

-Ryan Pate

Lottie Moon Tea

SATURDAY, JANUARY 14, 9:30 AM

In the Senior Adult Building

Speaker: Grace Lyn Shockey

Retired International Mission Board Missionary who served in Southeast Asia for over 30 year.

Cost is \$10

Reservations Required



Student Ministry Upcoming Special Events

We're going to Ecuador! Registration is open now, and ends February 1st. For more information or to register, call, email, or text Ford.

Winter Retreat January 20th-22nd - If you forgot to register, text, call or email Ford. We're returning to Blowing Rock North Carolina for another Ski and Tubing trip at Sugar mountain. We will be staying in the Blowing Rock Conference Center and worshiping with our band all weekend! Winter retreat is scheduled for January 20-22. Cost is \$110 due at registration, and then the cost of their activity (Skiing/Snowboarding=\$100; Snow Tubing=\$35; Ice-Skating=\$20) to be brought day of.