



Dear Church family, thank you so much for the cards, the flowers, the visits, and especially the love and prayers you have shown to our family. Thank you, also, for the delicious meal that you prepared for our family following Mom's service. A special thanks to Leisa and Janice for helping us to get the organ going, and to Frank for stepping up at the last minute to help with the audio and video.

The Family of Allene Crump (beloved mother and grandmother)

Thank you church family and friends for the outreach of love in the way of calls, texts, food, and especially prayers in my family's time of grieving the recent passing of our mother. Your acts of great kindness have been an incredible consolation for us and we love all of you. Also, thanks for continued prayers regarding my cancer and it's treatments. I pray that it avails as much in the future as it has already.

Jack Crump

Giving Report

Year to Date Budget Required \$494,253

Year to Date Budget Giving \$469,672

Budget Shortfall \$24,581

Through December 29th

Average Sunday School 121 Average Worship 205

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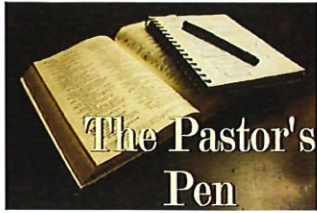
January 1, 2025



Helpers from the Toy Store Ministry



Pictures from the Deacon Senior Meal.



Dear Church,

One thing that the birth of Jesus clearly demonstrates is that he is a great king. Although born into a humble family and laid in the humblest of cribs, Christ's kingship is on display in the birth narratives. The wise men themselves attested to the fact, when they asked Herod, "Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star in the east and have come to worship him."

When the wise men arrived at the house where Jesus was, they responded by bowing down and worshipping him. They also presented their gifts to him, one of which was gold. Gold was a gift befitting of a king. When the Queen of Sheba visited King Solomon, she presented to him 120 talents of gold (which was about 4 ½ tons). This was an appropriate gift for Solomon, since he was a king. Therefore, the gold that was given to Jesus pointed to his kingship.

The angel Gabriel also pointed to Jesus' future reign as king. In Luke 2:32-33, Gabriel announced to Mary that her son would receive "the throne of his father David, and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever; his kingdom will never end." This would be no ordinary child that Mary would be carrying, but Israel's future king. When Christ comes again at the Second Coming, it will be to establish God's kingdom on earth and to reign as King of Kings.

Although Jesus was born in a stable and laid in a manger, it was clear from the beginning that he was destined for greatness. Destined for kingship. As king, Jesus is worthy of our worship and our service to him. Are you willing to serve the king? He is worthy. Lay your life before him and allow him to use you for his honor and glory.

Pastor Josh



Jonny's Corner

Hello Church Family,

It is hard to believe that 2024 is already over and 2025 has begun! First of all, I would like to thank the church for the support as I completed my internship at UK Hospital as a hospital chaplain. Even as time consuming and exhausting it was, I would not have been able to achieve my certification without the support and prayers of my church family. The experience was amazing, and I learned so much from having this opportunity.

As the new year begins, there are plenty of activities that are coming up with student ministry. Please check the board next to my office to see what is going on in youth ministry. Also, children's activities will be starting back, so there will be activities for all ages in the life of the church. There will be activity announcements for both youth and children's activities, if you have any questions with any events going on in these ministries, contact the church office or myself.

Starting the new year, many people set goals or resolutions to achieve. Have you set a goal to grow in

your relationship with Christ through prayer and His Word? All of us that call ourselves Christians should be striving to be more like Christ in all aspects of our lives. This is not easy, but is demanded in scripture. A good way to move forward in this goal is to make time every day to spend time with the Lord in prayer and in His Word. To grow in relationships with others, we spend time with them, get to know them. That is how we grow, by being in fellowship with the ones we care about. As a Christian, we say we love the Lord, but do we actually grow in our relationship by being in fellowship with Him? By spending time with Him, we see the purpose He has for us, we see the importance of obedience, we see the importance of actions along with words. We will see, and have, a desire to be with the Lord and be obedient to Him.

Church, we are called to go out into the world and make disciples. We are to go out and reach the lost with the truth of Christ. But it is hard to be obedient to Christ if we are not growing in our relationship with Him. I challenge the church, and myself, to be intentional with prayer and spending time in God's Word. Develop a desire to be obedient, by growing closer to Him through His Word and prayer. As a church, let our hearts be on fire for the Lord and desire to grow in our relationship with and desire to reach the lost with the truth of Christ. Make this a priority for 2025!

God Bless, Jonny

SENIOR ADULT ACTIVITIES



January 14th Bourbon Barrel at 11:30 AM.



January 30 at 12 PM in the Fellowship Hall – Thrivin’ in 2025-Ray Tackett speaker, succulent garden making. Meal: Italian cuisine



Hello church family,
When we come to a new year, our thoughts go to change. Can we lose weight, exercise more or any other things that can help improve our lives? We want to improve our spiritual life as well. Prayer, regular Bible Study and gathering with other believers are ways that can be accomplished. We can also make a covenant to support our missionaries more. Prayer is our best weapon against the wiles of Satan. Continue to lift up the missionaries both in North America and abroad. We can also plan to support them financially. If giving a one-time gift is difficult for you, then you can give small amounts throughout the year to be distributed to our main missionary focus. We have three of these: Annie Armstrong Easter Offering (North American Missions) Easter time (April this year), Eliza Broadus State Missionary Offering (Kentucky) in September and the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering (International Missions) in December. Prayerfully consider supporting missionaries in this way.

Blessings,
Leisa Proctor

Life House Ministry

Always meeting on every Tuesday from 11 AM to 7 PM. Volunteers are always welcome.

Happy 2025, we finished 2024 with a bang.

Because of the generous clothing donations, we were able to let our shippers fill a WalMart bag for 5 points instead of 5 points for each item of clothing. We were closed Christmas Eve but we were able to give our shoppers extra diapers and wipes.

Prayer concerns this month, young mother attempting to get away from an abusive situation has moved to Paris with her mother. Another mother found out her husband has been unfaithful; they have two children. Several ask prayers because they are not sure how they will pay for heating bills through the winter. We were able to give them some resources that might be able to help.

Please pray for all of us who volunteer. Helping some families can be very trying, as some are mentally challenged adults with mentally challenged children. They are the ones that need our love and patience the most. As always, we certainly appreciate your help and prayers. If you have the time we are in need of more volunteers, especially from 3-7 PM.

Blessings,
Judy Jones and the Life House Committee

Bible Drill

Grades 4-6 Wednesday nights at 6
Grades 7-9 Wednesday nights at 5:30
Youth Speakers tournament-all high school 9th-12th - see Kathy Kenimer



Meeting every Sunday evening at 6 PM. Come and join the fun and learn how to be a worker not ashamed. Ages Pre-School through 5.

Willing Hands Quilters

Meeting at 9 AM each Monday in the Fellowship Hall. Come and join if you would like to learn.

Guatemala Mission

We have reached our goal for the Mission Team going in January 2025. Many thanks to all who have given to provide for this ministry. Any funds that come in after this will go to a fund for this Mission for the trip in 2026. God Is Good!!!

Toy Store 2024

Praise be to God, we were able to serve over 100 children on December 3, 2024. Daniel Langfels and Knox Hatmaker shared the gospel with many of the customers. Seeds were planted. Many thanks for your generous donations. There is a box at the Walgreens here in Paris to begin collection for the 2025 season. It is never too early to begin.

Deacon Food Baskets

The Deacons were able to provide 42 boxes for people in need on December 21, 2024. Thank you for your generous giving to this ministry.

Deacon Senior Dinner

A great time was had by all at the dinner hosted by the Deacons on December 9, 2024. Lots of wonderful food, fun and fellowship.

Members who have gone on to be with the LORD in 2024

Allene Crump, Doug Downing, J C Hash, Dixie Pinkston, Charlene Prince, Ruth Scott, Noble Lee Smith, Lillie Tubbs, Barbara Vandiver

2025

JANUARY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 New Year's Day Office Closed No Wednesday Night Services	2	3	4 Sisters in Christ 11 AM Fellowship Hall
5 6 PM AWANA Prayer/Praise Time 6:30 PM Bible Study	6 9 AM Willing Hands Quilt- ers	7 11-7 Life House Minis- try	8 10 AM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Wednesday Night Minis- tries 7:30 PM Dea- con's Meeting	9	10	11
12 5 PM Praise Band Church Coun- cil 6 PM AWANA Prayer/Praise Time 6:30 PM Bible Study	13 9 AM Willing Hands Quilt- ers	14 11-7 Life House Minis- try 11:30 AM Lunch Bunch Bourbon Bar- rel	15 10 AM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Wednesday Night Minis- tries	16	17 D-Now Week- end-Youth Event Beginning at 5 PM at the church—10:30 PM	18 D-Now Weekend at the church 8:30 AM— 4:30 PM
19 5 PM Praise Band 6 PM AWANA Prayer/Praise Time 6:30 PM Bible Study *Accutran Collection— Adult SS clas- ses	20 9 AM Willing Hands Quilt- ers	21 11-7 Life House Minis- try	22 10 AM Staff Meeting 6 PM Wednesday Night Meal 6:30 PM Wednesday Night Minis- tries	23 NEWSLETTER	24 <i>Winter Jam leaving the church @ 2 PM \$15.00 @ the door</i>	25
26 5 PM Praise Band 6 PM AWANA Prayer/Praise Time 6:30 PM Bible Study	27 9 AM Willing Hands Quilt- ers	28 11-7 Life House Minis- try	29 10 AM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Wednesday Night Minis- tries	30 Young at Heart Fellowship Hall 12 PM Ray Tackett Thrivin' in 2025 Succulent Gar- den making Italian Cuisine	31	

Our Ministries Opportunities

Sunday:

9:30 AM Sunday School for ALL Ages
 10:45 AM Worship and Children's Church
 6:00 PM AWANA/Prayer and Praise Time
 6:30 PM Worship Service
Wednesday:
 6:30 PM REV 3 Ministries (Youth)
 6:30 PM Wednesday Night Ministries

Church Connect can be activated by visiting
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 You can also scan the QR code below with your
 phone's camera to be directed to the link.

