

# Happy New Year!

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**AUSTIN GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
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## *To our Church Family and Friends,*

I am not sure where this past year has went, but it is almost gone. It continues to remind me of just how precious the gift of time is that God gives us. It passes away all too quickly.

Someone gave us a Christmas card this year that reminded me of all that Jesus Christ means to me. Let me share this with you.

Jesus Christ the Son of God  
He is the breath of life within us...  
The fountain that refreshes us...  
The grace that frees us...  
The truth that renews our minds...  
The way that guides our steps....  
The love that fills our hearts...  
The fullness that gives us joy!

In and through Christ, our lives find a fullness and direction that nothing else can provide for us. The world continues to offer momentary gifts that do not last. They help us in a very shallow fashion for just a moment in life and then it is gone. What Christ offers and gives to us is eternal and is beneficial to our souls and to our everyday life. Christ shows us what works in this life and what it means to be the recipient of Grace and Mercy from Him.

May each of us feel the love of Christ and the power of the Holy Spirit in our lives this day, and all the days that God gives to us. May we seek to see Jesus more clearly and closer than we ever have done so before now. Let's start 2018, resolved to stand for Christ with a boldness and determination that will show others that we are His and He is ours this year.

May God bless you and your family. Happy New Year!

Leon and Cindy

## **Second Harvest**

**DATE:** Wednesday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>  
**TIME:** 8:00 AM; **PLACE:** Here at AGBC



**DATE:** Tuesday, January 9<sup>th</sup>

**TIME:** 12:30 PM-5:00 PM

**PLACE:** Piedmont Flooring, Marshville

Please sign up on the bulletin board or contact Beverly Napier at 704-624-2211 to make an appointment.

## **SAVE THE DATE...**



**DATE:** Saturday, February 17<sup>th</sup>

**PLACE:** AGBC Fellowship Hall

**TIME:** Meal at 5:00 PM; Program at 6:00 PM

Renea Henderson, Christian Comedian will be our entertainment. Please sign-up on the bulletin board if you would like to attend. Thank you.



## **BAPTISTS ON MISSION**

**Baptist Men's Day**  
**Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup>**

**Sunday, January 21<sup>st</sup>:** AGBC at Autumn Care at 9:00 AM

**Tuesday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>:** We will be hosting the UBA Winter Session.

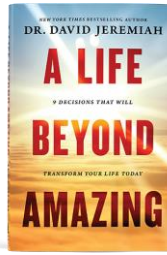
## January Student and Youth Ministry Newsletter

Happy New Year Everyone. We had a great Christmas time in the student and youth ministry. We are thankful for all those that were able to make it to the Christmas event "A Night in Bethlehem." A big thanks goes out to all those that helped make the event possible. As you can see by the pictures, it was a great time and a great way to understand what was happening during the time of Jesus birth. Eating foods of the time period, and visiting the stable where Joseph, Mary, sat with baby Jesus seemed to be the highlights of the night.



We now look to the New Year. For the Youth that means it is time for Winter Conference. We will head up to the high country of Gatlinburg, TN to join about 5,000 students at Crossroads Winter Conference.

To say the youth are excited would be putting it mildly. They look forward to being able to praise God, learn from some of the best speakers I have ever heard, and of course sneak in a bit of shopping, funnel cakes, and Starbucks along the way. Stay tuned as we jump headlong into 2018 with the Youth and Student Ministry of Austin Grove. **Michael Jordan**



**A Life Beyond Amazing**  
Book Study \$14.00 each

See Pastor Leon if you would like to order a book.

### **Book Study Schedule**

January 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM: "A Life of Peace"  
January 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM: "A Life of Endurance"  
January 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 PM: "A Life of Compassion"  
January 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM: "A Life of Generosity"  
February 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM: "A Life of Integrity"  
February 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM: "A Life of Humility"  
February 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM: "A Life of Self Discipline"

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**LOTTIE MOON CHURCH GOAL: \$8,800.00**  
**Lottie Moon Received as of December 24<sup>th</sup>: \$9,086.00**

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### **CHURCH DIRECTORY**

**DEADLINE: SUNDAY, JANUARY 28<sup>th</sup>**

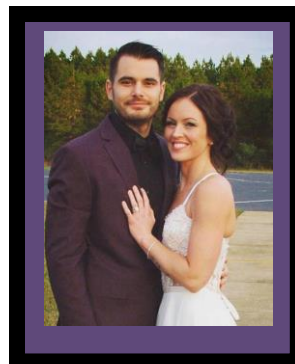
We still are missing some photos and information sheets. Please e-mail your photos and/or turn in information sheets as soon as possible so we can add to our pictorial directory. If you need your picture taken, please see Cindy Whitley. Thank you so much.

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*'Tis the human touch  
in this world that counts,  
The touch of your hand and mine,  
Which means far more  
to the fainting heart  
Than shelter and bread and wine.*

*For shelter is gone  
when the night is o'er,  
And bread lasts only a day.  
But the touch of the hand  
And the sound of the voice  
Sing on in the soul always.*

Spencer Michael Free



### **Bridal Shower**

for  
**Nikki (Kyle) Gordon**

**DATE:**

**Saturday, January 27<sup>th</sup>**

**TIME: 10:00 – 11:30 AM**

**PLACE: Fellowship Hall**

**Registered at:**

**Bed, Bath & Beyond,  
Belk, and Target**

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## January Fellowship Hall Clean-Up: Prophecy

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### NURSERY

January 7<sup>th</sup>: Sandra H. & Beverly N.  
January 14<sup>th</sup>: Dustin & Dawn Marsh  
January 21<sup>st</sup>: Lebron & Shirley Crowe  
January 28<sup>th</sup>: Bill & Carol Fowler

### CHILDREN'S CHURCH

January 7<sup>th</sup>: Rita G. & Heather S.  
January 14<sup>th</sup>: Kerri Collins & Josh Fowler  
January 21<sup>st</sup>: Michael & Alicia Jordan  
January 28<sup>th</sup>: Christa & Brandon Love

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## CHURCH LIBRARY

"Love the Lord your God with all your mind."



Several additions have been made to the Austin Grove Church Library. An anonymous donor gave six books for children: *Love You Forever*, *The Parable of the Lily*, *Franklin Wants a Pet*, *The Prayer Jabez for Kids*, *My Very First Book of Bible Words*, and *My Very First Book of Bible Fun Facts*.

Two books for the adult library that have been donated are *Shining the Light: The Life and Ministry of Dr. J. Allen Blair* and *The Heart of the New Testament* by H. I. Hester. At one time Dr. Blair was pastor of Calvary Church in Charlotte, had a radio ministry, and produced Biblical learning tapes.

Hester has also written a companion volume, *The Heart of Hebrew History*, a commentary on the Old Testament, which was used at one time in Old Testament classes at nearby Wingate University.

The above books have been processed and are ready to be checked out to read during these long, winter nights.

Brenda Lee, Librarian

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

2 Brittany Crowe  
2 Laura Ann Ikerd Strickland  
2 Shane Michael Jordan  
5 Calvin Hartis  
5 Matthew Oster  
6 Nathan Baucom  
6 Chris Guffey  
8 Billy Bennett  
8 Delane Bennett  
8 Cathy Lacroix  
9 Anna Christine Edwards  
9 Jacklyn Taylor Edwards  
9 Eddie Rivers  
10 Khoury Nassef  
10 Kathy Hazelwood  
11 Toni Riggins  
11 Hunter Ray Smith  
12 Tommy Traywick  
14 Barbara Faulkenberry  
15 Pat Autry  
15 Lindsey Faith Nassef  
15 Sarah Williams  
17 Teresa Hilton  
18 Benjamin Collins  
18 Kyle Gordon  
18 Lainey Preslar  
19 Laikyn Nicole Newsome  
19 Cary Preslar  
19 Morgan Zambarda  
21 Kaylan Haigler  
21 Alexandria Miller  
23 Sandra Helms  
23 Jay Tiffany  
23 Kris Tiffany  
24 Brittany Edwards  
24 Beverly Napier  
25 Lisa Tarleton  
26 Aidan Figueroa  
26 Emily Oster  
28 Michael Jordan  
29 Amber Griffin  
30 Pearl Wood  
31 Cameron Williams

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

3 Mr. & Mrs. Roger Long  
3 Mr. & Mrs. Morris Williams  
7 Mr. & Mrs. Calvin Hartis  
7 Mr. & Mrs. Baxter Jordan  
14 Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Walker  
22 Mr. & Mrs. Cary Preslar  
26 Mr. & Mrs. Wade Haigler  
26 Mr. & Mrs. Don Post

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## NCBM: REGION 6- A Missions Rally for Men, Women & Youth

**DATE:** Tuesday, February 13<sup>th</sup>

**TIME:** Highland Baptist, New London

**SUPPER:** 6:00 PM; **PROGRAM:** 6:30 PM- 8:30 PM

Your meal is free; however, you must register at:

[www.baptistsonmission.org](http://www.baptistsonmission.org) (Events/Regional/Mission Rallies) or call 1-800-395-5102; extension: 5596

**Registration is due one week prior to the rally date.**