

25 Days till Christmas...continues online until Christmas Day

Join us on Facebook for highlights of a different person, place, or object in the narrative of Christ's birth through a brief story.

FOOD MINISTRY: Today: Each SS Class takes up money for 20 lb. bag of rice. **December 25th:** 15 oz. can of spaghetti, spaghetti & meatballs, or any can of pasta. **January 1st:** Bag of dry beans such as pintos, navy beans, black beans.

Directory Updates

Jack and Sue Austin - 2173 Wedgewood Dr., Longs, SC 29568

Jack and Sue Austin's New Phone Number: 843-399-0126

Linda McDaniel - PO Box 335, Marshville, NC 28103

Deacon Election on Sunday, January 8th

Gill Collins and Marty Stancil are our two candidates.

January 2023 Book Study - Dates to be announced later.

THE WORLD OF THE END by Dr. David Jeremiah

Dear Christian Friends, As we carry through this Christmas season sharing the word of God, I would like to tell you how awesome and amazing our GOD is! He not only showed up, but he showed out. Once again God allowed us to supply Christmas for 60+ families and over 200 children. He supplied volunteers throughout the week to help with setting up tables, shopping and sorting toys and all the bikes for these families. Counselors to offer the Plan of Salvation for the parents. The Donna Pittman Toy would like to thank all the Churches of Union County that helped supply our needs. Without your help this day would not be possible, and Each family received a special gift at the end of their visit on Saturday also. We are blessed to have the opportunity to do this for 16 years. At the end of the day, we were able to pack boxes for a poverty-stricken area in West Virginia that will be leaving out on December 19th by another Union County Church. Once again, I would like to say thank you for everything, but most of all the prayers that have been said for this mission. I want to say thank you to the Association for always providing us a safe place to work out of and for the all the staff. I pray each and every one of you have a Blessed and very Merry Christmas, Keeping CHRIST as the center of Christmas.

Love in Christ, Teresa Polk, Director of The Donna Pittman Toy Store

If you would like a copy of *Bethlehem Inn*, please let us know.



Church. We will have Worship at 10:00 AM and dismiss by 11:00 AM.

*Thank
You*

Thank you to the choir and choir leaders for the Christmas Cantata, *One Small Child*, and thank you to our children's leaders, and all of our children and their parents for the children's play, *Baby Jesus, We Love You*.

Thank you to all the participants and leaders in Bethlehem Inn last Sunday.

Nursing Homes/Rehabilitation/Home Prayer List

Autumn Care

Nancy Riggins, Room 804

Bermuda Village

Frances Haigler, 5157 Garnet Hill Drive, Clemmons, NC 27012

Brookdale

Harriet Smith, Brookdale, Room 3, 918 Fitzgerald Street, Monroe, NC 28112

Cadence Assisted Living

Kathy Overcash c/o Cadence Assisted Living
5601 Margaret Wallace Road, Matthews, NC 28105

Pruitt Health

Polly Haigler, Room Number 107
3510 W. Highway 74, Monroe, NC 28110

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Carolyn Smith, Director of Music

Susan Griffin, Pianist; Vickie Griffin & Pat Haigler, Organists



Welcome to Austin Grove Baptist Church

Our Lord's Day

Sunday, December 18, 2022

Worship

Call to Worship #93		Congregation
"It Came upon the Midnight Clear"		
Welcome, Announcements, and Prayer		Pastor
Hymn #103	"Away in a Manger"	Congregation
Children's Sermon		Brannon Crowe
Hymn #118	"What Child Is This"	Congregation
Choir	"O Holy Night"	
Special Music	"Breath of Heaven"	
Message	"The Long Wait Was Worth It"	Pastor
Scripture	Luke 2:21-35	Pastor
Invitation Hymn #427	"For He Alone Is Worthy"	Congregation
Benediction		Pastor

December Fellowship Hall Clean Up:

Knights for Christ Class, Adult Class #1, Adult Class #5

NURSERY (Ages Birth to 2 Years Old)

Today: Hannah Napier & Hunter Canup

Next Sunday: Debbie Jordan & Amanda Vann

Nursery is available during Sunday School at 9:45 AM and on Wednesday Nights.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH (Ages 3 Years Old thru Kindergarten)

Today: Teresa Hilton & Gayle Throckmorton

Next Sunday: No Children's Church

OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK

SUNDAY

Be sure to pick up your Christmas cards today and also please pick up for any others that you will see this week. Thank you.

Each Sunday School class takes up money for purchase of a 20 lb. bag of rice.

Bulletin items for Sunday, December 25th bulletin and January 2023 Newsletter items due today.

7:00 AM Worship Service available online

7:15 AM *25 Days till Christmas* on Facebook

7:30 AM *Bethlehem Inn* online

9:45 AM Sunday School for ALL ages, including Nursery Class

10:45 AM Worship Service **Mask Optional**

91.1 FM in parking lot on Marshville side of church

TUESDAY

10:00 AM Prayer Meeting

WEDNESDAY

7:00 AM Adult Bible Study available online

No Classes or Services.

FRIDAY Church office closed.

SATURDAY Christmas Eve

10:00 AM Children's Story Time available online

NEXT SUNDAY



15 oz. can of spaghetti, spaghetti & meatballs, or any can of pasta.

7:00 AM Worship Service available online

10:00 AM Worship Service only.

No Sunday School or Children's Church

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Second Harvest - We do not have a date yet; however, we will be hosting the January Second Harvest here at AGBC.



Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

Received to date: \$1,200.00



New:

Rev. & Mrs. Leon Whitley, Tara Allison, Jack & Sue Austin, Rev. Eddie Barbee, Bob Barnes, Delane Bennett, Cecil Brooks, Joe Byrum, Kathryn Byrum, John Clark, LeBron Crowe, Marilyn Davis, Mary Deese, Randy Eason, Jodi Epps, Gayle Faircloth, Barbara Faulkenberry, Deborah Ford (Melva Seay's sister), Bill Fowler, Rhonda Gaddy, Amy Grady, Clark Griffin, Donald Griffin, Gary Griffin, Jill Griffin, Rita & Freddy Griffin, David Grimsley, John Phillip Grundin, Carson Guffey, Gerald Haigler, Jeff Haigler, Kay Haigler, Roy Haigler (Jimmy's brother), Cindy Hasty, Kathy Hazelwood, Jamie Helms, Mike Holland, Brenda Hunnicutt, Albert & Terry Ikerd, Bill Ivey, Frances Knight, Bubba Langston, Rebecca Lathan, Beth Lennon (Cindy Whitley's sister), Steve Little, Sherry Long, Isaac Marsh, Megan Maske, Willie Maske, Beverly Miller, Rosanne Miller, Jeff Mullis, Sadie Phillips, Tommy Phillips, Kix Soderblom (Alison Phifer Duncan's Grandson), Shelia Sharpe, Evan Sharpe, Tracy Stancil, Kathy Starnes, Kim Starnes, Amelia Stewart, Gene & Debra Stewart, Ashtin Stutts, Doris Thomas, Jerry Thomas, Martha Thomas, Lynn Traywick, Don & Joyce Tumas, Joseph Viers, Diane Vore, JV Walden, Stephen Walker, Rev. John Wood, Unspoken

Sympathy: Arnold Bradshaw Family

On Going:

AGBC, Lost in the Community, Our Deacons, Our Church Outreach, Our Service Men & Women, Leaders of our Country, Betty Autry, Dennis Badger, Jr., Lindsay Barmer, Louise Billingsley (Betty Little's sister), Elsie Byrum, Matthew Collier, Mike Croft, Brannon Crowe, Randy Dyre, Billy Fowler, Sr., Pat Haigler, Wade Haigler, Ron Herr, Kyle Hill, Gail Knight, Shelia Mazzurco, Kay McBride, Daniel McQuirt, Doris McManus, Judge Mullis, Brian Oliver, Andrew Oster, Shannon Phifer, Helen Presson, Carolyn Smith, Ruby Stegall, Richard Taylor, Kathy Walker, Ellie Walden, Charles Ray Williams, Our Nation.

Those Serving Our Nation:

Leah Gordon, Bryson Griffin, Lydia Griffin, Tyler Griffin, Michael Hagler, Taylor Hagler, Josh Lowery, Carli Pawelski, James Seay

Our Missionaries:

Wycliffe-Rod & Julie Davis, Isaac, Caleb & Josiah Ben & Rachelle Davis, Evan & Carol Smith, Emily Oster

Please see the other side of today's bulletin for our church Nursing Homes/Rehabilitation/Home Prayer List. Thank you.