

Lancaster Baptist Church

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*A COMMUNITY OF GRACE
THAT IS GROWING
AND GOING*

UPCOMING EVENTS:

DECEMBER

- Joy Club Breakfast on Dec. 15th at 9 AM
- Birthday Party for Jesus on Dec. 18th at 9 AM
- Memory service & Lord's Supper on Dec. 18th at 6:30 PM
- Wed. Mid-week service at 6 PM on Dec. 21st followed by UK-UL Basketball game
- Christmas Eve Service Dec. 24th at 8 PM
- Christmas AM Worship on Dec. 25th at 10 AM
- Lottie Moon Ingathering Offering Dec. 25th

PRAYER WARRIOR
Sunday, Dec. 18, 2016
Vicki Murphy

FAMILY LIFE CENTER WALKING
Monday – Friday
(7:42 – 10:02 AM)

From Your Pastor

RANDOM THOUGHTS

Our Tuesday morning Discipleship Group was discussing eternal security and specifically how we need to be look to the truths of God's Word as opposed to our feelings. Our feelings often fluctuate like the weather in Kentucky. For example, I was so thankful for the turnout for our Christmas caroling on Monday evening. It was a blessing to have a bus full plus some other vehicles to go and share some Christmas joy with our shut-ins.

Then, I checked on the Lottie Moon Christmas offering giving and found that we were still under \$3,000. I thought, "we are going to fall so short of our \$16,000 goal. Oh no!" Dorwin happened to be in the office so I said, "Dorwin would you be willing to give what you used to pay for a truck payment (\$600) to the Lottie Moon Christmas offering?" He said, "I will." I said I will match that \$600. I asked him to challenge somebody else to match that \$600 and so he called somebody. I got to thinking, if 20 people would take that challenge, we can get the \$16,000. Maybe you want to be in on the challenge. Can you give \$600 and challenge somebody else to match your giving.

As a church, we are behind on our budget this year but I think about all the extra needs we have been able to meet this year and I am so thankful for your generosity. When Leah had her wreck and when we found out that Verity had cancer, you all gave so generously. I sometimes feel like we ask for too many offerings but then I am reminded that 2 Corinthians 9:8 says that "God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having ALL sufficiency in ALL things at ALL times, you may abound in every good work." I don't just want to teach/preach God's Word but believe it and walk in faith. He has proven Himself faithful this year in so many ways.

I would really appreciate your prayers the next few months. As a community, we have the opportunity to have a Place of Hope (facility to house various ministries like pregnancy resource center, food pantry, drug recovery, celebrate recovery, homeless shelter, and other ministries). The Ministerial Association is working on the project right now and would appreciate your prayers. Several churches are talking about coming together to provide another Celebrate Recovery opportunity for our community. We are investigating what it will take to start an after-school program here at LBC (next school year). Personally, I will start serving on the Garrard County School Board in January and on the Committee on Nominations for the Kentucky Baptist Convention.

I know things are a little hectic so pray that I will guard my family time, personal prayer and devotional time, study time, and be able to lead and pastor the church I love (LBC). I have started looking at the 2017 calendar and already getting excited about preaching through Malachi, starting more small groups, celebrating 175 years, having a "Invite Your One" on August 20, 2017, and whatever else God has in store. *Bro Harold*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOY CLUB: Joy Club Breakfast (Cracker Barrel) on Thursday, Dec. 15th. Leaving from church at 9 AM.

BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR JESUS: Kids are invited to a birthday party for Jesus on Sunday, Dec. 18th at 9 AM in the FLC.

TIME OF REMEMBRANCE & LORD'S SUPPER: We will take some time this Sunday evening, Dec. 18th to light a candle to remember loved ones we miss this Christmas. We will also observe the Lord's Supper Sunday evening.

LOTTIE MOON POST OFFICE NOW: Use our Lottie Moon post office to send your Christmas cards to church members and donate postage to our Lottie Moon offering!

LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING: Goal is \$16,000. We have received \$2,855. Ingathering Offering Dec. 25th.

MID-WEEK SERVICE ON DEC. 21ST: Mid-week service on Dec. 21st will be at 6 PM and we will have some fellowship time during the UK/UofL game at 7 PM. Services and game will be in the Youth Room.

CHRISTMAS EVE & CHRISTMAS: Christmas Eve service will be at 8PM and Christmas Worship Service will be at 10AM on Sunday morning (no Sunday School on Christmas). We will have a Christmas backdrop and people taking pictures on Christmas morning.

SMALL GROUP HOST HOMES: We would like to do some small group Bible studies in homes starting in the middle of January. There is a sign-up sheet on front table if interested. We will have a meeting for those willing to facilitate some small group studies on Sunday, Dec. 18th at 5:45 PM.

UPWARD BASKETBALL & CHEERLEADING: Practices have started. We would love for some to come out during practices and get to know the parents/grandparents. Practices are Mon, Tues, Thurs, and Friday from 6:00-9:00.

DNOW VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: DNow will be January 13-15. Please contact Bro. Stephen if you would like to serve: host homes, transportation, registration, food, etc.

RIGHTNOW MEDIA: This is like "Netflix for the church" featuring thousands of video sessions that members can access anytime, anywhere. We will be able to instantly stream biblical teachings to our Sunday school classes, home groups, men's/women's groups or youth/children groups. Resources from over 150 leading Christian publishers will be available. Exclusive streaming resources from David Platt, J.D. Greer, Eric Mason, Francis Chan and more will be a click away.

PRAYER REQUEST (*Pray without ceasing... 1 Thessalonians 5:16*)

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Buddy Arnold	Stephanie Elam	Landan Maynard	Tonia Warren	LBC
Blanche Ballard	Mark Fields	Lindsay Meadors	Rhonda Watkins	Bro. Harold & family
Sue Ballard	Jimmy Flynn	Della Meadows	Lucy Wayne	Bro. Stephen & family
Ronnie Barnes	Jim France	Verity Morrow	Flonnie Whitaker	Bro. Nehemiah & family
Lynn Bateman	Rosetta France	Cline Mullins	Billy Williams	Bro. Ken & family
Melvin Bottom	Arthur Gaffney, Jr.	George Peek	Charlotte Winter	Chervens
Pat Brown	Zachary Gay	Amber Rankin	Melanie York	Amanda Hubler
Kaleigh Burkhardt	Barbara Hackney	Sheridan Ratliff		Michael Anderson
J.O. Burkhead	Barb Hall	Adriana Rodriguez	The Lost	Our Deacons
Bud Byrd	Jeanne Hall	Lisa Logan Rogers		Our SS Teachers
Jerry Carrier	Leland Hall	Dave Ruda		Church Leaders
Brianna Cherven	Marsha Hodge	Jane Sammons	HOMEBOUND	New Believers
Leah Cherven	Misty Horton	Amos Sharp	Jewell Callis	COMMUNITY
Joyce Clark	Ryan Hunt	Kathy Shelton	Lois Carrier (CCC)	County Judge (Wilson)
Levi Clontz	Carolyn Hunt	David Simpson	Nellie Cole	City Mayor (Davis)
Susan Conley	Cheryl Johnson	Virginia Simpson	JoAnn Grow	Representative (Shell)
Rosa Cranfill	Linda Jones	Danny Smith	Allene (Peg) Dollins	Police/Sheriff Dept.
Kristine Caudill	Julia Kay	Pam Smith	Juanita Gullett	Fire/EMS
Gladys Dailey	Donna Kendall	Katherine Sowder	Della Meadows (CCC)	Schools
Lloyd Dailey	KY Choice Treatment	Tyler Stratton	Anna Meadows	Lost
Laikin Day	Mandy Lynch	Andy Sutton	Tina Montgomery (CCC)	NATION
Charles Denton	Carl Kidwell	Mike Sutton	Marie Naylor	President (Obama)
Jo Denton	Bill Lamb	Barbara Teater	Dorothy Shockley (CCC)	President Elect (Trump)
Jeanne Dobbins	Jean Land	Pauletta Teater	Myrtle Stump (CCC)	Governor (Bevins)
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