to know HIM and to make HIM known

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The Trumpeter

The newsletter of **Polkville Baptist Church + Polkville, NC** 

# **Staff Directory**

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**Minister of Evangelism** 

#### **Ministry Assistant**

#### Secretary/Treasurer

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# **Office Hours**

Monday—Thursday 8:30-12:30, 1:30-3:30 Friday 8:30-12:30

# Weekly Opportunities

#### Sunday

9:00 am Sunday School 10:00 am Morning Worship Kingdom Kids Worship 6:00 pm Children's Bible Drill & Sunday Night Kids Adult Choir Youth Meeting 7:00 pm Evening Bible Study 8:00 pm Committee Meetings

#### Wednesday

6:00 pm Youth Bible Drill
6:15 pm Fellowship Meal
6:50 pm Preschool, Children & Youth Mission Groups
6:50 pm Adult Prayer and Inspiration
7:00 pm Adult Ministry Projects and Prayer Meeting
8:00 pm Committee Meetings

For the most up-to-date information, catch us on the web at: www.polkvillebaptist.com



digging deep to know HIM and reaching out to know HIM bolk ville Baptist Church

Rick's Write 🖉

#### Dear Church Family,

The journey of a thousand miles begins with one step. Have you ever had something to do, or some place to go, but you just could not seem to get started. Then, when you finally placed one foot in front of the other, or began the first step of the instruction booklet, or wrote the first word of a letter... it seemed as if that long-put-off task was not so bad after all. Sometimes, maybe many times, it just takes that first step. (For some, it's putting that first foot on the floor in the morning as you stretch yourself and pry open your eyes to the day that lies ahead.) Just take the first step!

In our journey to God, and being in fellowship with Him, and enjoying the gifts he gives us as His children, it seems that the path is so terribly long and difficult that we could not possibly make it. If you think that way, you are right. It is just not possible. The good news, brought to us by God's only Son, Jesus, is that God has made the journey very much possible for us!

In this "journey of a thousand miles," God took all the steps...except one — our initial step of faith. We take one step toward God, only to find out that in Jesus, God made the journey for us! God literally, and in the flesh, made the journey to earth from heaven, and all that is left is that mankind — you and I — make a step of faith to accept what Jesus has done for us.

What if putting that new bike together on Christmas morning was that easy! What if running a marathon was that easy! You would surely make the first step! Can I encourage you today to take a step of faith toward God — and you too will discover that he has already made the journey to you.

And, can I encourage you to enjoy the gifts that the journey toward God brings to your life — hope, love, joy and peace — in quality and quantity that only God can give as he so richly does through his Son Jesus!

# **December Birthdays**

12/01 Dan Biddell John Thompson 12/02 Jackson Wilson 12/03 Ruth Powell 12/04 Jaxon Robbins 12/05 Megan Carpenter Michelle Davis Amanda Hopper 12/06 Ella Beam Rachel Bell 12/07 Howard Johannessen 12/08 David Bell Lula Mae Blanton Jason Butler Ramona Toney

01/01 Eli Carpenter

01/02 Sherri Connor

01/03 Brooke Stewart

01/05 John McSwain

01/09 Madison Cape

01/10 Isaac Connor

01/12 Lucas Beam

01/14 Gavin Martin

01/15 James Burns

Helen Silver

01/11 Jacob Rayborn

**Jimmy Beaver** 

Tina Greene

Lvnn Richard

12/09 Joanna Woodrum 12/10 Luke Beam **Tony Beaver** 12/11 Jessica Robbins 12/12 Damon Cook 12/13 Savannah Jones Colton McMurry 12/14 Nicholas Biddell Alex Burns 12/15 Bethany Meade 12/17 Austin Milling 12/19 Emily Beaver Roger Duncan Revonda Wyatt 12/20 Taylor Lackey Dale Milling

Adriene Parker 12/21 Barry Beaver Garv Beaver Brenda Cook **Emilv Parker** Shannon Vegh Bessie White 12/24 Abby Hamrick Holden Shuford 12/25 Pam Barringer Mary Bridges Noel Powell 12/26 Laura Gammons 12/27 Robert Dayberry Aubree Martin

#### **January Birthdays**

Lillian Threewits 01/17 Bill Helton Mary Shytle 01/18 Kevin Milling 01/19 Ashley Melton 01/20 George Creach 01/21 Jacob Greene Shirley Grier Diann Langley 01/22 Jan Crow Alisa Goad Katelyn Price Joe Wright 01/23 Donna Thrift

01/24 Carolanne Queen 01/25 Don Peeler Jamie Wilson 01/26 Holly Cape Haley Cook Michael Sain 01/27 Mason Bralley Michelle Threewits 01/29 Linda Cook Stevin Walker 01/31 Ruth Creach Isaiah Hannah Jerry Silver

## December/January Nursery Schedule

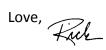
01/07

01/14

- Kylie Larsen & Susanne West 12/03 Susan & Emily Beaver 12/10
- Chrissy Helton & Michelle Davis 12/17
- 12/24
- 01/21
  - Kim Swink & Haley Cook
- Sandra Gossett & Lisa Carter Josh & Carolanne Queen

Jeff & Nikki Cook

Bobbie Walker, Tammy Carter, 01/28 Brooke Stewart





Jov There is perhaps no more joyful time in the calendar year than during this end of year/ Christmas phase. You need only to ask a child what they want for Christmas to see their eyes

light up and their face fill with joy. Children and adults alike are on their best behavior; there is something almost magical about this time of year and how it brings out the best in each of us. And let's not even get started on just how wonderful those Hallmark Christmas movies are-they are overflowing with joy and Christmas spirit!

However, we would be remiss to not acknowledge the greatest joy in this season-the imperishable, matchless, inconceivable joy that is ours as we commemorate the birth of Jesus, our LORD and Savior. This is a joy that cannot be diminished, that refuses to be silent-a joy that fills the hearts of all those who hear. This a joy that caused angels to sing, shepherds to spread the message, and learned men to travel across the world. It is a joy that changes lives and brings people together; a joy that cannot be contained and cannot be stopped.

As this season begins to pick up, don't allow the busy-ness of life to choke out the joy that Jesus brings us. Take time each day to reflect on the wonderfulness of all that He has done for you and the wonder that is the joy His birth brings.

> Joy to the world, the LORD has come, David

# Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions Our Goal: \$5,000.00

Week of Prayer for International Missions December 3 through 10

You may give to this important offering anytime throughout the month of December



**And Christmas Events** 



Sunday Evenings December 17 @ 6pm Community Christmas Dinner We will provide a Christmas

dinner for anyone in the community. We just need our folks to provide vegetables and desserts.

The CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS **PROGRAM** will be held after the meal!

December 24 10 am Worship Service Only

#### December 31

New Year's Eve Fellowship at Rick and Sandy's. Drop in anytime after 5:00 pm. Stay 'til midnight is you can!

Wednesday Evening

December 20 @ 7:00 pm Join us in the sanctuary for a candlelight worship service with the Lord's Supper. A meditative and inspirational way to welcome Christ into your celebration!







### December/January Calendar Sunday, December 3

Koinonia Fellowship, 6pm

Wednesday, December 6 Prepping Cards/Gift bags for Hospice, 6:50

Sunday, December 11 Dinner in Shelby/Visiting Hospice-Meet at 5pm

Wednesday, December 13 Youth Christmas Party 6:50, Basement Bring a \$5 gift for the exchange

Sunday, December 17 Community Christmas Supper 6pm, FLC

Wednesday, December 20 Candlelight Worship 7pm

Sunday, December 24 No Evening Services

Sunday, December 31 Fellowship @ the Hamricks' No Koinonia

Wednesday, January 3 Koinonia Fellowship, 6:50

Sunday, January 7 Koinonia Fellowship , 6pm

#### Wednesday, January 10 Koinonia Fellowship, 6:50

Friday, January 12 thru Monday January 15 **Winter Retreat-1 Peter** Leave around 3:30 on Friday.

Wednesday, January 17 Koinonia Fellowship, 6:50

Sunday, January 21 Winter Jam in Charlotte Meet at the church at 2-Bring \$\$ for food and \$15 for tickets at the door

Wednesday, January 24 Koinonia Fellowship, 6:50

Sunday, January 28 UP Night Community Fellowship More details to come!

> Check weekly bulletins for Senior Adult activities!

# **Rock 'n' Rollers**

Our Feet are on the ROCK and our Names are on the ROLL!

# Senior Adult Christmas Luncheon Thursday, December 14

11:00 am

Lots of good food and fellowship as well as Christmas inspiration! All the food is provided!





Sunday Small Groups at 9:00 am Sunday Worship at 10:00 am Wednesday Impact at 6:50 pm

Themes for Preschoolers December: Special delivery, God gave us Jesus January: Watch this, Jesus can do ANYTHING

#### Life Apps for Elementary Kids and Preteens

December: The Big Give: Think outside the box January: Work it out: Stick to the plan



Sunday Night December 17 after the Community Christmas Supper Rehearsals on Wednesday nights



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# Looking for non-professional, volunteer voice talent!

We are beginning the project of making voice recordings of scripture that will be made available as a ministry through our church. We need all kinds of voices! Talk with Larry White, Will or Rick to find out more, and get your voice — and God's Word — heard!



