

# ***THE NEWSHERALD of HARTFORD BAPTIST CHURCH***

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*November 20, 2017*

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Church Family,  
Hebrews 12:1-2

These verses are some of my favorite in all of the Bible. The images brought forth of that great cloud of witnesses reminds me of the crowd of fans at a sporting event.

This time of year is a great time for sports. I can remember playing basketball with my brother and friends against other church league teams on cool fall and winter evenings. There would be a crowd waiting inside the gym, a very modest crowd, and they couldn't wait to see their friends play to the cheers of those in attendance. I've been on the field of a football game with 107,000 fans screaming to the point of deafening effectiveness. As great as those feelings and sounds are, they will pale in comparison to the crowd of witnesses waiting in glory and cheering on the cause of Christ of which we get to be a part.

Since there is such a great crowd of witnesses who have come before us and cheer on our race now, I encourage you as Paul does to put aside the things that would hinder you. I promise they are not worth the price of what they cost. You are a beloved child of God whose sin was paid for by Jesus who took on shame for us. I encourage you to pray in thanksgiving this week for the chance to serve our Savior and to share it with those you dine with today.

In Christ,  
Bro. Les

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***“Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise;  
Give thanks to Him and praise His name!” Psalm 100:4  
Our prayer is that you will have a happy, safe, and most of all blessed  
Thanksgiving!***

***The church office will be closed Wednesday – Friday this week. If you need a staff member, please call.***

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## **LOTTIE MOON OFFERING FOR INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS**

Our Lottie Moon March for Missions will be Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, during our morning worship service. Our goal for this year is \$15,000.00. Envelopes are in your offering packets and will be in the backs of the pews. Let's work together and reach our goal as soon as possible!

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## GIFTS

### PRAYER GARDEN

In Memory of Luke Stewart: Margaret Justice

### BUS MINISTRY

In Memory of Doug Corbin: Don & Gail Hagler,  
Charles & Veleria Thomley

In Memory of Earl Green: Billy & Kathy

Peacock, Charles & Veleria Thomley

In Memory of Wallace & Velma Hardy: Aubrey  
& Mary Bright

In Memory of Dollie Austin and Bennie

Cumbie: Charles & Veleria Thomley

### NOTE OF APPRECIATION

*My Dearest Church Family,*

*Thank you so very much for the wonderful surprise recognition and gift last Sunday. It has been an honor to have served as your ECDC director and teacher these past 29 years. How very humbling to look around the church and see all those former students standing and to know there were many more not there. I have loved and enjoyed every moment and I miss it and the kids.*

*Thank you again!*

*I love all of you,*

*Sonja*

**\*\*Ladies' Exercise meets on Monday nights at 6:30. All ladies are invited to attend!**

**\*\*The Nominating Committee is working to fill committee slots for next year. If you will help in any way, please contact Tony Messick, Lindsey Wagner, Tonya Everett, Coleen Guilford, Joe Craig or Lesia Hinson.**

**\*\*We are in the process of updating our Nursery Worker list. If you would like to be added or if you feel you need to come off please contact Vicki Outlaw or call the office. Also, we need volunteers to work during our Christmas cantata and Candles, Carols and Communion services. Thank You!**

## WELCOME NEW MEMBER!

By Profession of Faith and Baptism:

Jim Bruhnke

### ADULT CHOIR MEMBERS

We will have two extra practices for our Christmas Cantata in addition to our regular Wednesday night rehearsals. They will be on Sunday, November 26<sup>th</sup>, at 4:30 p.m. and on Sunday December 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 4:30 p.m. Please try to be there!

## CHRISTMAS



**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26<sup>th</sup>**

**5:30 p.m.**

**We will see**

**"The Nativity Story"**

**Preschool/Nursery will have a movie time, too!**

**Popcorn will be served.**

**Also, you can bring your favorite light movie snack.**

**\*\*Those going on the trip to see May-Haw Christmas on Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, need to be at the church ready to leave at 1:30 p.m.**

**\*\*We will observe the ordinance of Baptism during our morning service on Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>.**

### FAMILY MISSIONS NIGHT

Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, during our evening worship time, we will have Family Missions Night. We will have the blessing to hear from Bro. Les' sister and brother-in-law, Gene' and Zack, and from the ladies who recently went on a mission trip to Haiti.

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2017**  
**DEACONS OF THE WEEK**  
Ryan Tate/Charles Thomley

**USHERS**  
Jerry Moseley, Chmn.  
Ryan Tate  
Chase Childs  
Joey Brown

**SOUND SYSTEM**  
Joey Brown

**MEDIA SHOUT OPERATOR**  
Micah Turner

**TELLER COMMITTEE**  
Kenneth Kinman/Paul Bess  
Alternate-Becky Watson

**PRESCHOOL CHILDREN'S CHURCH**  
Teacher: Mindy Turner  
Helper: Laura Rivenbark

**FLOWERS**  
Given In Memory of  
William Sammons  
By Jeanne Sammons Sasser

**ELEVATOR OPERATOR**  
Geraldine Kinman

**RETIREMENT VILLAGE**  
Connie Walker

**GREETERS OF THE WEEK**  
Don Farris/Susan Bailey

**NURSERY-A.M.**  
Lacey Hughes/Sharrel Forehand  
**NURSERY-P.M.**  
Meagan Childs

**OUR RECORD-11-19-17**  
Sunday School - 145  
Thanksgiving Dinner

**OUR HOSPITALIZED**  
Al Endicott, Ruby Mae Brooks-Extencare  
Harold Hicks-Columbus

**SUNDAY SCHEDULE**  
**NOVEMBER 26, 2017**  
LIBRARY OPEN-8:30-9:00 A.M.  
SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER PRAYER  
TIME-8:55 A.M.  
SUNDAY SCHOOL-9:15 A.M.  
LIBRARY OPEN-9:50-10:10 A.M.  
WORSHIP SERVICE-10:15 A.M.  
ADULT CHOIR PRACTICE-4:30 P.M.  
CHRISTMAS MOVIE NIGHT-5:30 P.M.

**FINANCIAL REPORT-11-19-17**  
Budget Receipts - \$4,813.00  
Maintenance 3% of Undesig. - \$149.00  
Bus Ministry - \$230.00  
Prayer Garden - \$100.00  
Scattering Seeds - \$50.00

**WEEKLY BUDGET REQUIREMENT**  
\$8,146.15

**REC'D THIS WEEK**  
\$4,962.00 (-\$3,184.15)  
These totals include Budget Receipts and Maintenance percentage.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT SCHEDULE**  
**November 22, 2017**  
**NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERVICES**  
**THIS WEEK.**



**ACTIVITIES/PROJECTS TO REMEMBER**  
**IN PRAYER!**

- \*ALL HBC MINISTRIES!***
  - \*OCC BOX DELIVERY***
  - \*THANKSGIVING ACTIVITIES***
  - \*SEARCH COMMITTEE***
  - \*LOTTIE MOON OFFERING***
  - \*CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS***
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