

THE NEWSHERALD of HARTFORD BAPTIST CHURCH

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Youth – Robert Guilford Children – Chase Childs

November 27, 2017

Church Family,
1 Peter 2:1-10

Do you like magic tricks? I love a great card trick or a disappearing coin that suddenly reappears. My grandfather introduced me to his various slights of hand and each Christmas when we went for a visit to Kentucky he had something different for the boys to gawk at in amazement. My grandfather now has a tremble in his hands and his heart is battered with cancerous fights and surgical distress, but as I read the Scripture from this past week I couldn't help but think about those old magic tricks.

What we see with our eyes betrays us. Sin appears to be a delectable treat that promises to satisfy but instead takes away our health. It is like building on sandstone that washes away with the rain and crumbles under pressure. Jesus is not like either of these things. He is mistaken by the world as a stumbling block, but like a master magician the truth is that the greatest redirection of human history is the greatest gift of all.

I urge you to make the most of this season by sharing sweet memories with friends and family. Share with them more importantly the Gospel of Jesus Christ that promises to change their lives. Let this Christmas season be the foundation stone for the rest of someone's life.

In Christ,
Bro. Les



LOTTIE MOON OFFERING FOR INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS

Our Lottie Moon March for Missions will be next Sunday, December 3rd, 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!

ANNOUNCEMENT FOR NEXT SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3rd

The morning service will begin at 10:10 next Sunday. We are blessed to have a great many parts to our service this week including baptism, Advent, March for Missions, special music and the message from God's Word. Make sure to note this change!

Our special Family Missions Night will begin at 5:30 p.m. Everyone will meet in the sanctuary.

GIFTS

GENERAL FUND

In Memory of Doug Corbin: Kenneth & Geraldine Kinman

SYMPATHY

Our HBC family extends heartfelt sympathy to Angie Adams and family in the loss of her mother, Mildred Adams. May God Bless You during this time of sorrow and bereavement.

****Ladies' Exercise will be on Tuesday night 6:30 this week. 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!***

ADULT CHOIR MEMBERS

We will have one more extra practice for our Christmas Cantata in addition to our regular Wednesday night rehearsals. It will be next Sunday December 3rd, at 4:30 p.m. Please try to be there!

*****Those going on the trip to see May-Haw Christmas next Saturday, December 2nd, need to be at the church ready to leave at 1:30 p.m. We have three tickets available for this trip. This will be on a first come first serve basis. Please call the office if you are interested.***

FAMILY MISSIONS NIGHT

Sunday, December 3rd, 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.

2018 OFFERING ENVELOPES

We are in the process of distributing our offering envelopes for 2018. Those of you who have numbers can drop by the office to pick your box up or they will also be in your Sunday School classrooms. If you do not have a number, please contact the office.!

2018 BIBLES

We are ordering Bibles for 2018. These Bibles will be daily readings in chronological order in the same easy to read translation. A sign-up sheet will be on the vestibule table or you can call the office if you would like to order one. Cost will be \$5.00 each.

****Our new Wednesday night study books are in. They are available in the office or will be in the sanctuary Wednesday night. Cost is \$5.00 each.**

****The Sing-A-Long at Hartford Healthcare will be Tuesday, November 28th, at 2:00 p.m.**

****There will be a December calendar of events in next week's newsletter. If you don't have your event on the church office calendar, please call the office as soon as possible. Thank you!**

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2017
DEACONS OF THE WEEK
Jarrod Wagner/Jeff Brannon

USHERS
Micah Turner, Chmn.
Marty Wright
Gary Shields
Henry Sanders

SOUND SYSTEM
Reed Hales

MEDIA SHOUT OPERATOR
Ryan Tate

TELLER COMMITTEE
Allen Forehand/Larry Galloway
Alternate-Margaret Justice

PRESCHOOL CHILDREN'S CHURCH
Teacher: Coleen Guilford
Helper: Ross & Chantel Thomley

FLOWERS
Poinsettias during December given by
Nina Brannon, Laura Rivenbark, Lisa Ketchum,
Penny Bonner, Carol Spivey, Barbara Hughes and
Sarah Hughes Cox
In Memory and Honor will be listed in coming weeks

ELEVATOR OPERATOR
Joe Craig

RETIREMENT VILLAGE
Mark Williamson

GREETERS OF THE WEEK
Joey Brown/Sharrel Forehand

NURSERY-A.M.
Joe & Deborah Craig
NURSERY-P.M.
Laura Rivenbark

OUR RECORD-11-26-17
Sunday School - 136
Christmas Movie

OUR HOSPITALIZED
Al Endicott, Ruby Mae Brooks-Extencicare

SUNDAY SCHEDULE
DECEMBER 3, 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-10:10 A.M.
ADULT CHOIR PRACTICE-4:30 P.M.
FAMILY MISSIONS NIGHT-5:30 P.M.

FINANCIAL REPORT-11-26-17
Budget Receipts - \$4,716.00
Maintenance 3% of Undesig. - \$146.00
Scattering Seeds - \$50.00
Lottie Moon - \$100.00

WEEKLY BUDGET REQUIREMENT
\$8,146.15

REC'D THIS WEEK
\$4,862.00.00 (-\$3,284.15)
These totals include Budget Receipts and Maintenance
percentage.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SCHEDULE
November 29, 2017
6:00-6:25 p.m. - *Library Open*
6:30 p.m. - *Mid-Week Prayer*
Meeting/Youth & Children's Activities
7:45 p.m. - *Adult Choir Practice*



ACTIVITIES/PROJECTS TO REMEMBER
IN PRAYER!
*ALL HBC MINISTRIES!
*OCC BOX DELIVERY
*SEARCH COMMITTEE
*LOTTIE MOON OFFERING
*CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES AND
PROGRAMS
