

FMBC News



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WHAT IS THE LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING?

Growing up in Virginia, Lottie Moon and her siblings chose to rebel against Christianity. At 18, Lottie followed Christ and was baptized. When she was 33, she sailed to China as a Southern Baptist missionary. She saw firsthand the world's greatest problem – **LOSTNESS.**

In letters to Southern Baptists in America, she pleaded for increasing prayer and giving. Her letters raised more support for missionaries to be sent to China.

Every year, Southern Baptists collect the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering where **100% of the money given sends and supports missionaries.**

FMBC GOAL: \$3,000

Thanksgiving is always a sweet time as we place our thoughts on the Goodness of God through our family, friends, church, and our Sweet and All-Sufficient Savior.

Now, we look at the actual coming of the promised Messiah as a baby boy. Christmas! And, oh, I do love Christmas songs! The Christ of Christmas is our Savior and Lord – Jesus.

With all the excitement and glory of this season, let's be sure to focus on who "He Is." The lyrics below teach and remind us what Mary was yet to learn when the angel first appeared to her. He is! **Merry Christmas!**

"He Is" by Aaron Jeffrey:

In Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John - He is God, Man, Messiah.
In the book of Acts, He is the fire from Heaven.
In Romans, He's the grace of God. In Corinthians, the power of love.
In Galatians, He is freedom from the curse of sin.
Ephesians, our glorious treasure. Philippians, the servant's heart.
In Colossians, He's the Godhead Trinity.
Thessalonians, our coming King - In Timothy, Titus, Philemon
He's our Mediator and our Faithful pastor.
In Hebrews, the everlasting covenant. In James, the one who heals.
In First and Second Peter, He is our Shepherd.
In John and in Jude, He's the Lover coming for His bride.
In the Revelation, He is King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

[Chorus]

He is! He is! He is!
The Prince of Peace - The Son of Man – The Lamb of God –
The Great I Am.
He's the Alpha and Omega.
Our God and our Savior. He is Jesus Christ the Lord.
And when time is no more, He is! He is!

See you in church!
Pastor Richard

TRUNK OR TREAT PICS

October 31, 2024

For more pics, see our FMBC Facebook page!



Lorraine & Matt Webb



Mark Pope & Children; Ronda Jett and Mike & Betty Kerby



Jeffrey & Debbie Williamson



Pastor Richard;
Ann Arnold & daughter Paula, and Desi Sein



The Gideons
International

BIRTHDAY FOR JESUS

Birthday for Jesus is an opportunity for families of all ages to experience the joy of Christmas by helping share the Good News of Jesus.

What a better way to honor the birth of the Savior than to donate Scriptures in His honor. This time of year, the world can tempt us to get caught up in all of the commercial aspects of this holiday. But you and I know the real reason for Christmas.

The gifts provided will be used to distribute Scriptures, free of charge by Gideons to people in some 200 countries and territories.

You can provide Scriptures throughout the world so more lives can be touched through the hope found only in Jesus Christ.

It's easy as 1, 2, 3 and 4:

1. Select an envelope and ornament from the display.
2. Complete your desired information on each.
3. Mail or place the envelope in the collection plate with your offering enclosed.
4. Hang the ornament on the Christmas tree in the church or yours at home.

All gifts are tax deductible and you will receive a contribution receipt.

Submitted by
Tim Thomas, Aiken Gideons

BIBLE READING PLAN

DECEMBER

- 1. Exodus 1:1-22
- 2. Exodus 2:1-25
- 3. Exodus 3:1-22
- 4. Exodus 4:1-17
- 5. Exodus 4:18-31
- 6. Exodus 5:1-23
- 7. Exodus 6:1-30
- 8. Exodus 7:1-25
- 9. Exodus 8:1-15
- 10. Exodus 8:16-32
- 11. Exodus 9:1-21
- 12. Exodus 9:22-35
- 13. Exodus 10:1-29
- 14. Exodus 11:1-10
- 15. Exodus 12:1-28
- 16. Exodus 12:29-51
- 17. Exodus 13:1-22
- 18. Exodus 14:1-14
- 19. Exodus 14:15-31
- 20. Exodus 15:1-18
- 21. Exodus 15:19-27
- 22. Exodus 16:1-16
- 23. Exodus 16:17-36
- 24. Exodus 17:1-16
- 25. Exodus 18:1-14
- 26. Exodus 18:15-27
- 27. Exodus 19:1-25
- 28. Exodus 20:1-26
- 29. Exodus 21:1-36
- 30. Exodus 22:1-15
- 31. Exodus 22:16-31

BIBLE READING PLAN

JANUARY

- 1. Exodus 23:1-19
- 2. Exodus 23:20-33
- 3. Exodus 24:1-18
- 4. Exodus 25:1-22
- 5. Exodus 25:23-40
- 6. Exodus 26:1-14
- 7. Exodus 26:15-37
- 8. Exodus 27:1-21
- 9. Exodus 28:1-30
- 10. Exodus 28:31-43
- 11. Exodus 29:1-21
- 12. Exodus 29:22-46
- 13. Exodus 30:1-16
- 14. Exodus 30:17-38
- 15. Exodus 31:1-18
- 16. Exodus 32:1-16
- 17. Exodus 32:17-35
- 18. Exodus 33:1-23
- 19. Exodus 34:1-20
- 20. Exodus 34:21-35
- 21. Exodus 35:1-35
- 22. Exodus 36:1-38
- 23. Exodus 37:1-29
- 24. Exodus 38:1-31
- 25. Exodus 39:1-21
- 26. Exodus 39:22-43
- 27. Exodus 40:1-38
- 28. Leviticus 1:1-17
- 29. Leviticus 2:1-16
- 30. Leviticus 3:1-17
- 31. Leviticus 4:1-35

THANK YOU NOTE

Dear Church Family,

Just a heartfelt note to say a big thank you for all the meals, cards, visits, and love, hugs, and prayers most of all! They are working. Rex is a walking miracle! Heart valves replacement, stomach cancer removed successful!

I am walking with a small ace bandage & outside crutches & started ankle therapy in November.

Signing my cast worked! Our God is good hourly and all the time! Thank you for praying for continued healing and may our God bless you today! Joy in Jesus!

Love,
Yvonne & Rex Nordeen



FMBC sent 143 Shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child this year! Bless all who had a part in collecting and sending the boxes.

In Memoriam

Mrs. Wanda Edmonds Tucker

November 27, 1952

to

November 26, 2024



Winter Bulletin Board

Poinsettias for Christmas

If you are interested in purchasing a poinsettia in memory or honor of someone, please contact the church office/Wendy with the information needed. Each poinsettia will cost \$20, and memorials will appear in the bulletin December 15 & 22. Those who make a purchase may take their poinsettia home after the service on December 22. Please reserve yours **by December 8**.

Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

Please consider supporting this annual offering for International Missions during the month of December. Our church goal is \$3,000. You may contribute online, or using the LMCO envelope in your contribution envelopes box or one provided in the back of the pews. Please make checks payable to "FMBC" with LMCO on the memo line.

FMBC Christmas Celebration **Saturday, December 14, 2024**

Our FMBC church wide Christmas Celebration will be at 5:00 pm on Saturday, December 14. The church will be serving a taco/nacho bar. Also, please bring a dessert to share. **You may sign up on the sheet in the vestibule by December 11.**

East Building Fund

We have a fund to support needed work on the East Building which includes the Sunday School Rooms, Nursery, and Fellowship Hall. Our goal is \$30,000, and contributions may be made at any time by designating an amount for "East Building" and using an envelope in the back of the pew. We're about \$10,000 away from our goal! *All donations are tax deductible.*

King's Kids Club & YouthZone

Every Wednesday at 6 pm

All children ages 5K through Grade 12 are invited. King's Kids Club meets in the Staff House across Pine Street from the Main church building. YouthZone meets in the Fellowship Hall.
*(No meetings on **Dec. 27 & Jan. 1** due to the holidays).*

Ladies' and Men's Bible Studies: Every Thursday

All ladies are invited to attend a Bible study every Thursday morning at 10:00 in the East Building next to the Fellowship Hall. The class is led by Mrs. Karen Barnard and all you need is to bring your favorite Bible.

All men are also welcome to join Pastor Richard as he leads a Men's Bible Study in the classroom at the front of the East Building at 10:00 am each Thursday.

Trunk or Treat a Success!

Thanks to all who prayed, contributed cash or candy, came to hand out Trunk-or-Treat goodies, played games with the children, or just spent time talking to both church members and our neighbors. God truly blessed the time.

New Ellenton Christ Central Needs

Our local Christ Central can always use the following canned goods. You may leave your donations in the box by the vestibule (by the front sanctuary door), or bring with you to the Christmas Dinner Dec. 14.

(Easy-to-open/Pull tab Cans, Please.)

Canned Peaches, Fruit Cups
Green Beans
Chicken Noodle Soup
Tomato Soup, Vegetable Soup, Rice Soup
Beef Stew & Vienna Sausages & Spam
Baked Beans, Chili Sauce

PRAYER REQUESTS

Members' Health Concerns

Tommy Braswell
Edna Hanna
Phyllis Hutto
Bobbie Kendrick
Kay McKinney
Rex & Yvonne Nordeen
Louise Parrish
Bunny & Steve Raper
Linda Reeves
Gloria Shaw

All Seniors & Caregivers

Our Friends & Family Health
Concerns (see website for details)

Our Bereaved

Family of Wanda Tucker, 11-26-2024

Other Requests

Visitors & Families
Our Community & Other Area Churches
New Ellenton Christ Central
Life Choices Pregnancy Care Center
Aiken Baptist Association
Aiken Schools, Teachers & Students
Our Country, State & Local Leaders
Grant Ensley (Jennifer Watkins' son)

Church Leaders/Ministries

Pastor Richard & Karen Barnard
Deacons, Trustees, Ministry Asst.
Sunday School Teachers/Leaders All
FMBC Committees
Adults on Mission
YouthZone & King's Kids Club
Ladies' & Men's Thursday Bible Studies
Future Foreman Team
Our Visitors & their families

For more details, please go to our Website at www.foremanbaptist.com and click the Prayer List link.

FINANCIAL REPORT – NOVEMBER 2024

TITHES & OFFERINGS: \$15,223.00

EAST BUILDING FUND TO DATE: \$20,546.40 (Goal \$30,000)

Thank You to Our Veterans!



*The Veterans of FMBC were honored during the
November 10 morning service.*

*Front row: Millard Howington (Army),
Mike Kerby (Navy & Coast Guard Reserve),
Robert Grigsby (Navy), "Pete" Blose (Army),
and Rex Nordeen (Navy Seabees).*

Thank you to all Veterans for your service to our country.

ABOUT OUR NEWSLETTER

Thank you for reading the FMBC News! We covet your prayers and support. Please contact the church office if you know of anyone who wishes to **subscribe** — the subscription is free. We always welcome and encourage new subscribers! To **unsubscribe** please either:

- Mail a request to
207 Smith Avenue,
New Ellenton SC 29809
- Send email to:
fmbc.church@outlook.com
- Personal Message on
Facebook
- Call the church office at
803-652-2242 and leave
a message.

Thank you!
Wendy Grigsby, Editor



December



2024

SUNDAYS: 9:45 AM Bible Study Classes ♦ 11 AM Worship Service ♦ 5 PM Worship Service
WEDNESDAYS: 6:00 PM Prayer & Bible Study; YouthZone Grades 6-12; King's Kids Grades K-5
THURSDAYS: 10:00 AM Ladies' Bible Study and Men's Bible Study
SATURDAYS: 9:00 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9:45 – Sun. Sch. 11 – Worship 5 – Worship 6 – Choir Reh.	2 <i>Week of Prayer – LMCO & IMB – 10:00 am</i> 6:00 PM Buildings & Grounds	3	4 6:00 Service 6:00 YouthZone, King's Kids Club	5 10:00 am Ladies' & Men's Bible Studies 11:30 am FMBC Decorating	6	7 9:00 am Men's Prayer Breakfast
8 9:45 – SS. 11 – Worship & <i>Lord's Supper</i> 4 – Finance Comm. 5 – Worship	8	10	11 6:00 Service 6:00 YouthZone, King's Kids Club	12 10:00 am Ladies' & Men's Bible Studies	13	14 9:00 am Men's Prayer Breakfast 5:00 PM FMBC Christmas Celebration, CLC
15 9:45 – Sun. Sch. 11 – Worship 5 – Worship	16	17	18 6:00 Service 6:00 YouthZone, King's Kids Club	19 10:00 am Ladies' & Men's Bible Studies	20	21 9:00 am Men's Prayer Breakfast
22 9:45 – Sun. Sch. 11 – Worship No Evening Activities	23 <i>Church Office Closed all Week</i>	24 <i>Christmas Eve</i>	25 Christmas Day 	26 <i>No Bible Studies at FMBC</i>	27	28 9:00 am Men's Prayer Breakfast
29 9:45 – Sun. Sch. 11 – Worship 5 – Worship	30	31	The Church Office will be closed during the week of December 23-27, 2024, and will reopen with regular hours (9-4) on December 30, 2024. The next newsletter will be issued for February 2025.			

January

2025

SUNDAYS: 9:45 AM Bible Study Classes ♦ 11 AM Worship Service ♦ 5 PM Worship Service
WEDNESDAYS: 6:00 PM Prayer & Bible Study; YouthZone Grades 6-12; King's Kids Grades K-5
THURSDAYS: 10:00 AM Ladies' Bible Study and Men's Bible Study
SATURDAYS: 9:00 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Coming up in <u>February</u>:</p> <p>♥♥♥ Valentines Banquet ♥♥♥♥</p> <p>Saturday, February 8 at 5:00 PM</p>			1 <i>New Year's Day</i>	2 <i>10:00 am Ladies' & Men's Bible Studies</i>	3	4 9:00 am Men's Prayer Breakfast
5 9:45 – Sun. Sch. 11 – Worship 5 – Worship 6 – Choir Reh.	6 6:00 PM Buildings & Grounds	7	8 6:00 Service YouthZone, King's Kids Club	9 <i>10:00 am Ladies' & Men's Bible Studies</i>	10	11 9:00 am Men's Prayer Breakfast
12 9:45 – Sun. Sch. 11 – Worship 4 – Finance Comm 5 – Worship 6 – Choir Reh.	13 10:00 AM Adults on Mission	14	15 6:00 Service YouthZone, King's Kids Club	16 <i>10:00 am Ladies' & Men's Bible Studies</i>	17	18 9:00 am Men's Prayer Breakfast
19 9:45 – Sun. Sch. 11 – Worship 12 – Monthly Mtg. 5 – Worship 6 – Choir Reh.	20 MLK, Jr. Birthday Church Office Closed	21 Church Office Open 9-4	22 6:00 Service YouthZone, King's Kids Club	23 <i>10:00 am Ladies' & Men's Bible Studies</i>	24	25 9:00 am Men's Prayer Breakfast
26 9:45 – Sun. Sch. 11 – Worship 3 – Church Council 5 – Worship 6 – Choir Reh.	27	28	29 6:00 Service YouthZone, King's Kids Club	30 <i>10:00 am Ladies' & Men's Bible Studies</i>	31	

Regular Church Office hours are Monday and Thursday, 9 am to 4 pm; closed for lunch 1-2 pm. When a change is necessary (for bank holidays), the change only is noted on this calendar.