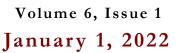
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Wednesdays:

WED Ministries Resume Jan 12 4:45p-5:30p Handbell Rehearsal 5:30-6:15p Fellowship Meal 6:15-7:15p Prayer meeting, Choir Rehearsal, **Children Ministries**

Sundays:

9:45am Sunday School 11am Worship 6pm Youth Ministries

DEACON OF THE WEEK:

JAN 2	Andy Cook
JAN 9	Vern Darley
JAN 16	Jim Davis
JAN 23	Karen Hayes
JAN 30	Mike Kent

DEACON'S MEETING Monday, January 17, 2022 6:30pm

PASTOR'S CORNER

DR. WALLACE MCABEE, SENIOR PASTOR

The whole idea of a New Year is such a good idea. It is our invitation to turn over a new leaf, to move toward a new goal, to work on an area of our life that needs a little attention - good stuff as we are an improvementoriented bunch. Also sounds like Gospel Good News! Fresh starts, new beginnings and such. The Gospel is all about a new start and a new life in Jesus! Yes, New Year is always good news for us! That is especially true at your church. A new year is the ideal time to recalibrate all we do around the mandates from Scripture like the Great Commission and the Great Commandment. May we make these directives the heart of our new year together!

Everything starts out with a Prayer Concert during worship on January 2. Yes, we will spend our entire time together in worship, song and in humble prayer before the Lord. I can not think of a more strategic way to launch a new year of ministry together. I hope you will all join me to humbly see our Lord together.

January 9 and 16 promise to be big days as well! Our Sunday School classes and our worship time on January 9 will be about Believers Baptism. This significant biblical doctrine is not only a distinctive belief grounded in the Bible but it is an amazing portrait of our new life in Christ as we invite him into our lives as forgiver and leader. Baptism is the rich symbol and an act of obedience to follow Christ in the life of our church. We have a number of adults, students and older children who have yet to experience baptism and we want to celebrate with them. We are planning to fill the pool for a baptism celebration on January 16 for all who want to participate. I know you will join me in bathing this time in prayer that many will come forward on the 9th and experience biblical baptism on the 16th.

I hope you will join me in welcoming back an increasing number of our church family returning after some time away due to the virus or other reasons. What a grand way to launch a new year - together!

Peace and Joy to all! Pastor Wallace

THANK YOU, church family, for all your gifts, prayers and acts of kindness you expressed to your church staff at Christmas. You are the best!!

Worship & Upcoming Events

Wednesday Schedules-

WEDNESDAY SERVICES resume Jan. 12th 4:45pm Handbell Rehearsal 6:15pm Adult Prayer Meeting, Choir Rehearsal, Children Ministries <u>Thursday Schedule-</u>

10am AoM Crafts Sunday Schedules-

9:45am Sunday School 11am Worship Service 6pm Youth Ministries

January 4—Tuesday

Coweta County Schools Resume

<u>January 6– Thursday</u> 10am AoM Crafts Resumes

Brunch will be enjoyed by the ladies while creating some goodie bags for the nursing home. Be sure to bring individually wrapped peppermints and chocolates to add to these goodie bags. If you are interested in helping us create handmade items to share with others, please join us. We would love it!

January 9– Sunday Baptism Sunday

January 10– Monday 6pm-7:30pm Girl Scouts Meeting

January 12– Wednesday ALL Wednesday Ministries and Meals Resume tonight MEAL: Pizza & Salad (RSVP) 6:15pm Adult Bible Study - Dr. Mills

Dr. Mills will be leading an illustrated discussion on the Holocaust, i.e., the Nazi plan to exterminate 11 million European Jews. He will be sharing photos taken during his visits to the death camps at Auschwitz, Treblinka, Sobibor, Belzec, and Majdanek as well as those taken at earlier camps such as Dachau and Sachsenhausen. Many historians have suggested that the only way to prevent the repeat of a tragedy like the Holocaust in the future is to come to grips with the past by understanding what really happened when this horrific saga played out less than a century ago. January 13– Thursday 10am AoM Crafts 6pm Olive Branch Meeting

<u>January 16– Sunday</u>

Baptism Service Quarterly Fellowship Meal

January 17– Monday 6:30pm Deacon's Meeting

January 19- Wednesday

Adult Bible Study with Dr. Mills MEAL: Sloppy Joes + Tater Tots

January 20- Thursday

10am AoM Crafts Meeting **10:30am (church) or 11am (restaurant)** Out to Lunch Bunch are headed to Garden Patch in Barnesville; RSVP

January 24– Monday 6pm-7:30pm Girl Scouts Meeting

January 26– Wednesday Adult Bible Study with Dr. Mills MEAL: Chicken Pot Pie + Salad

January 27 – Thursday 10am AoM Craft Meeting

Dental clinic update

Please mark your calendars for the new dates for our dental clinic to be held at our church. We had to move our date as the coordinator accidently gave our weekend to another church.

Our new dates are May 19-21.

SBC Happenings



Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes 2021

The trip to the shoebox processing center went well. They have a "follow your box" Notices where you can see where your box went. Some of the boxes that were sent went to Africa and the Republic of the Congo.







FINANCE NEWS

REMINDER about Year End

Giving Statements:

Look for your Giving Statements the week of January 9th. They will be placed in the Christmas Card Mailboxes in the Sanctuary Foyer. The ones not picked up by the end of the month will be mailed out to the address we have on file.

<u>Tornado Relief</u>

If you would like to help Frank DeLoach with the tornado relief efforts for Kentucky. You can send donations to us at Sharpsburg Baptist Church but be sure to put in the memo TORNADO RELIEF. Frank DeLoach is contact for Sharpsburg Baptist. OR if you want to send directly to HR Ministries in this effort, their information is below: HR Ministries, POBox 311, Princeton, KY 42445 Hrministries.net



➤ Wednesday Fellows

COST: \$6 per person / \$15 per family

Wednesday Fellowship Meals will resume after the

holidays on January 12th

January 5: NO MEAL

January 12: Pizza & Salad

January 19: Sloppy Joes & Tater Tots

January 26: Chicken Pot Pie & Salad

PLEASE RSVP so the Kitchen Ladies are able to plan ahead

SBC Happenings & Upcoming Events





JANUARY LUNCH DETAILS: WHEN: Thursday, January 20

Thursday, January 20

WHERE:

Garden Patch 100 Southland Drive Barnesville, GA 30204

TIME: Meet at church by 10:30am or restaurant by 11:00am

All are welcome to join us!! RSVP Please!!

JANUARY

January 2-Derek Ansley Misha Hammock January 3-Gerald Rice January 4-Matt West January 7-**Tanner Jones** Chris Key January 8-Norma Moody Andrew Parten Beth West January 12-Justin McAbee January 13-**Michael Couch Jacgeline Pailer** January 14-Sandra Mann January 16-Sharon Hardy January 17-Heather McElwaney January 18-**Tracey Hightower** Madison Hightower

BIRTHDAYS

January 19-Joyce Seale January 20-Royce Camp **Bud Herring** January 21-**Bailey Black Bill Puckett** January 23-Kristen Baughan January 24-Jodie Couch Lou Pailer Teresa Puckett January 28-Anne Jamison Karen Tinsley January 29-Brian Downie January 30-Howard Orr





"A New Year Dawning"

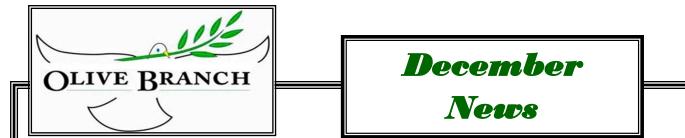
Most of you probably know that I like gardening, yard work, and all kinds of nature stuff. I have books, magazines, and catalogues on tree leaf identification, birds, flowers, and gardening. I try to learn as much as I can in order to take care of all of my plants. During our daily walks, Jill gets a little annoyed when I slow down to take pictures or inspect my bluebird boxes and explain the "flora and fauna of every plant on the farm." (Jill's words). One thing I have found out is that there are plants like roses, hydrangeas, lantana, pampas grasses among others, that will benefit from pruning back to near ground level. It is a little scary to look at rose bushes and other plants cut nearly to the ground in the wintertime, but it is really to their benefit; the extreme cold could be harmful. When winter is over, the plants "spring" back to life, even brighter and healthier than before.

I've observed family situations and even church communities that encounter what some might initially think are setbacks, but in hindsight are really blessings in disguise. When the crisis is over, life—spiritually and emotionally—can be even stronger! We must remember in the end, it's all in God's control. Jeremiah 29:11 says, *"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."*

A new year is here! I pray that you will all have a wonderful year, full of God's blessings! I am so grateful for each one of you. I love our church and look forward to the great things we can do together!

Another year is dawning; Dear Father, let it be On earth, or else in heaven, another year for Thee.





We had our calendar year's last meeting at Golden Corral for our Christmas party. We exchanged gifts by playing the "Dirty Santa" game! We gave a substantial amount of Walmart gift cards to children and families at the GA Baptist Children's Home. Jo Ann purchased and delivered those gift cards to the Palmetto location well before Christmas. We also gave financial assistance to a local senior lady in Sharpsburg who made us aware of some needs she had due to a recent loss of income. Betty Thomas was able to make the connection thru the mayor of Sharpsburg to get that done. Remember that your Olive Branch has funds to do these things because you consistently support us in any and all fund raising that we do throughout the year! Thank you again and again!!

Speaking of fund raising, many of you ordered items thru our Christmas Cooks sale. We spent hours in several kitchens getting it all done and hope everyone enjoyed their cakes, pies, cookies, casseroles, candies, cheese straws, etc.

We have big plans for 2022 in terms of guest speakers and fund raisers! Our first meeting of the New Year is January 13th at 6pm. We will host the Director of Coweta Pregnancy Services as we observe National Sanctity of Human Life Day, which is Sunday January 23rd. Every woman in our church is invited to this (and ALL) meetings of the Olive Branch!



"Outreach involves extending ourselves, our talents, and our resources, to help others."

JANUARY 2022

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
26	27	28	29	30	31	1 New Year's Day
2 Church Wide Prayer Event	3	4 School Resumes	5 NO Wed Evening Meal (services resume Jan 12)	6 Epiphany AoM Crafts 10am—Brunch Making Nursing Home Goodie Bags	7	8
9 Baptism Sunday	10 Girl Scouts 6-7:30p	11	12 Dr. Mills Bible Study Wednesday PM Ministries & Meals Resume MEAL: Pizza & Salad	13 AoM Crafts 10am Olive Branch 6pm	14	15
16 Baptism Service Quarterly Fellowship Lunch	17 Martin Luther King, Jr. Bday Deacon's Mtg 6:30pm	18	19 Dr. Mills Bible Study MEAL: Sloppy Joes + Tater Tots	20 AoM Crafts 10am Out to Lunch Bunch 10:30am Garden Patch	21	22
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30	31 Girl Scouts 6-7:30p	1	2	3	4	5

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Senior Pastor: Wallace McAbee

Minister of Music: Mike Exner

Youth & Children's Director: Blain Roos

Administrative Assistant: Cheri O'Neal

Financial Secretary: Lynn Glassbrook We would love to have you as our guest. We have many upcoming events that we are sure will be great fun as well as be a blessing to you. We have classes and fun events for our children on Sunday mornings and Wednesday nights as well as Sunday School classes, Prayer Meeting and Worship time for our adults. If you have any questions, feel free to ask us, fill out a visitor's card in the pew when you visit or just speak to one of us to let us know how we can be of assistance to you. We are here to serve each other and those in our community.



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Check out our website for any events that may be going on and to see and learn about our church. We seek to share the love of Christ with those around us. And, we hope that you will come visit our church soon!

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