

December Calendar 2025



Date:	Family to Pray For:	Scripture Reading
1	Gertrude Simmons	Hebrews 1
2	Lee & Frannie Simmons	Hebrews 2
3	Minnie Slayton	Hebrews 3
4	Greg & Cindy Smith	Hebrews 4
5	Jesse, Holly, Eliana & Maddie Smith	Hebrews 5
6	Betty Snead	Hebrews 6
7	Chris, Amber, Bayleigh & Billy Sorrels	Hebrews 7
8	C.R. & Vicky Sorrels	Hebrews 8
9	Daniel, Liana, Raylan & Levi Sorrels	Hebrews 9
10	Brad & Kandace Speer	John 1:1-18
11	Larry & LaDonna Stevenson	John 1:19-28
12	Paul & Joan Strausbaugh	John 1:29-34
13	Donna Talbert	Mark 1:1-15
14	Alan & Beverly Taylor, Cameron Tucker	Matthew 1:1-17
15	Pauline Taylor	Matthew 1:18-25
16	Robie Tucker	Matthew 2:1-12
17	Bill, Irene & Becki Wade	Matthew 2:13-23
18	Wayne Walton	Matthew 3:1-12
19	Wilson & Pam Webb	Matthew 3:13-17
20	Laila White	Luke 1:1-25
21	Erick, Christina, Morgan, Georgia, Ellis & Wesley Williams	Luke 1:26-38
22	Juanita Williams	Luke 1:39-56
23	Rob & Shirley Anderson	Luke 1:57-80
24	W.G. & Maxine Anderson	Luke 2:1-8
25	Larry & Betty Arthur	Luke 2:8-20
26	Danny & Barbara Black	Luke 2:25-40
27	Gerald & Melissa Black	Luke 3
28	Ricky & Lisa Black	Hebrews 10
29	Tim & Sam Black	Hebrews 11
30	Don & Nancy Blanchard	Hebrews 12
31	Philip Brooks	Hebrews 13

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2 Corinthians 5:19 NLT For God was in Christ, reconciling the world to himself, no longer counting people's sins against them. And he gave us this wonderful message of reconciliation.

I'm writing this Christmas newsletter the week before Thanksgiving. As I write, I realize there is a strong possibility that I may preach on the subject of this newsletter sometime in December.

I want to start by asking you a question. If you had to sum up Christmas in one word, what would that word be? I'm speculating that the great majority of you would say Jesus. He is the person we love, worship, and proclaim. However, I want to summarize it in a single word that is a verb, an action. That word is **RECONCILIATION**. That is why Jesus came, that we might be reconciled to the Father.

The fact that there needed to be reconciliation means there had been offense that caused separation. Usually when there has been offense, and therefore separation, it is the offending person who needs to make the effort to fix the relationship. This is why the gospel is so incredible, it was the offended one, the perfect one, the holy one, the Lord God Almighty who made the way that the offender, the unperfect one, and the sinful one could be reconciled to Him. For me the message of Christmas, of the gospel, of the cross, can be summarized in the single word **RECONCILIATION**.

As we move towards Christmas, I encourage you to think on these things about reconciliation:

- Because of God's love for us He wants us to be reconciled to Himself and He paid an indescribable price to make it happen.
- We are never more godlike than when we make the first move, and pay the price, to be reconciled with others; regardless of who we think is at fault.
- God has called us to be ambassadors who work to reconcile others to Him.
- Each of us needs to be reconciled to God.

Hopefully at this season you are thinking about what you can give to Jesus. Let me offer some suggestions.

1. If you aren't saved, give your life to Christ. He came seeking you. There is great joy in heaven when a person comes to the Lord.
2. Commit to sharing the good news of reconciliation with others.
3. If your relationship with someone is broken, consider the great price paid to reconcile you. God made us all for relationships. Humble yourself to do all you can to be reconciled with that person, out of appreciation for what God has done for you.

At this special season, I pray that you will experience the genuine peace that comes with reconciliation; first with God and then with others.

Forever grateful that He humbled Himself that I might be reconciled,

Pastor Mike

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Joy to the world



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Monday, December 8th:

- Trustees Meeting, 10:00 AM to set the 2026 Budget.

Sunday, December 14th:

- We will observe Communion. We don't have a designated Communion offering for December, so you are encouraged to make a special gift to a ministry of your choice or perhaps make a special donation directly to the church.
- Christmas Social, 5:00 PM, Life House

Thursday, December 18th:

- Elders Meeting, 5:00 PM, Life House

Tuesday, December 23rd:

- Christmas Candlelight Service 7:00 PM, at the church

Thursday & Friday, December 25th & 26th:

- The church office will be closed to celebrate Christmas!

Thursday & Friday, December 31st & January 1st:

- The church office will be closed to ring in the new year!

David Clark's December preaching schedule:

- Sunday, December 14th – Fletcher Chapel
- Sunday, December 28th – Cliffdale Community

December Weekly Events at the Life House:

Tuesday: LSM Bible Study, 10:00 AM, December 2nd, 9th & 16th
• Karate classes, 6-8 PM – December 2nd, 9th & 16th

Wednesday: Disciples for Christ Bible Study, 9:30-Noon, December 3rd, 10th & 17th
Youth, 6-8 PM, December 3rd & 10th, Youth Party, December 17th, 5-9 PM

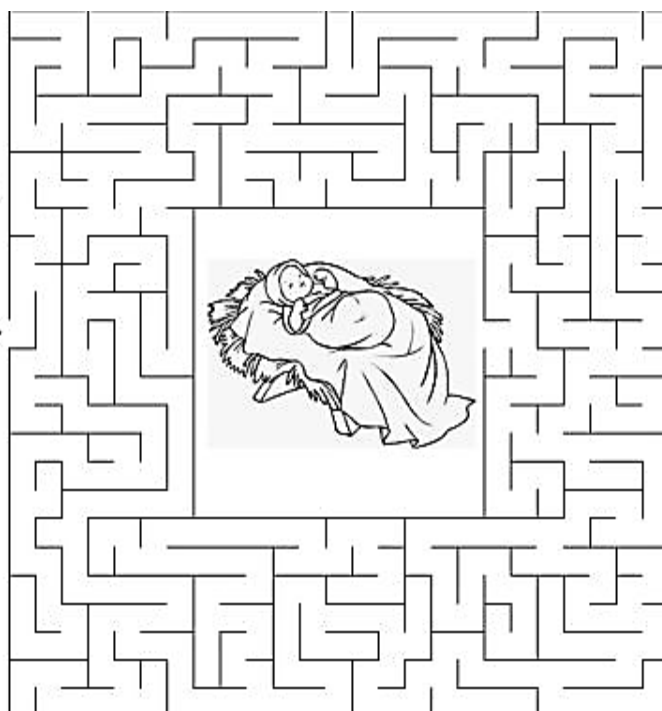
Friday: BSF, 9:30-11:30 AM, December 5th & 12th



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HOLY NIGHT

CHRISTMAS WORD SEARCH



Color the Ornaments

Christmas Word Scramble

Instructions: Unscramble the letters to find the words from the list below.

ehslgi	_____
ryemr	_____
cisnoktg	_____
trweha	_____
itwren	_____
deenerri	_____
lhtsig	_____
etre	_____
atans	_____
elsve	_____

Word List

elves	sleigh
lights	stocking
merry	tree
reindeer	winter
santa	wreath

