

WE GIVE THANKS TO GOD

Budget Gifts	11/27/22	\$ 2,420.00
	12/4/22	\$ 5,600.18
	12/11/22	\$ 5,688.24
	12/18/22	\$ 2,253.04
	12/25/22	\$ 1,530.07
Lottie Moon		\$ 5,255.00
Local Use		\$ 500.00
Lottie Moon Postage		\$ 270.40
Father/Son Camp		\$ 250.00
SHRMP		\$ 250.00
Benevolence/Evangelism		\$ 100.00
World Hunger		\$ 50.00
Deacon Meal		\$ 50.00
Roof Slates		\$ 50.00
Thank Offering		\$ 40.00
The Baptist Paper		\$ 36.25
T-Shirts		\$ 20.00
Total		\$24,363.18

ATTENDANCE

	<u>S. Sch.</u>	<u>Worship</u>
November 27	32	71
December 4	47	70
December 11	54	84
December 18	37	84
December 25	30	44

Dear Church Family,

Thank you all for the beautiful Poinsettia, prayers, cards and every remembrance at the passing of my sister Hazel Henshaw. YOU ARE TRULY A BLESSING TO ME!

Love you all,
Claudine Rudd

Thank you so very much for my gift. It is an honor and a privilege to be able to serve our Lord and minister to those in our church. Music is a ministry that I have enjoyed for a very long time. Thank you so very much for the opportunity to service in ABC.

- Della Nearhood

I want to thank my church family for all the cards and gifts I received for Christmas. I also want to thank the church for the monetary gift. You are such a blessing to me!

-Rose King

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FROM THE PASTOR

I can't say thanks enough for all you have done for Helen and myself. All the meals that you have provided following Helen breaking her foot have been such a blessing! The many ways you have expressed your love for us throughout the Christmas holidays has been such an encouragement. You continue to make us feel at home in both Amelia and ABC.

A new year brings new opportunities. On Wednesday night, January 4th, at 6:30 pm we will focus on praying for our church. We will ask the Lord for His guidance and anointing for the next year. "Nothing of eternal significance happens apart from prayer!" Please join us that night in the sanctuary as we seek the Lord together. On Sunday, January 8th, I will preach on our theme verse for 2023, Psalm 96:1. I will present a vision of ministry for the coming year. Beginning Sunday, January 15th, I will begin a sermon series on the Life of Elisha from 1st and 2nd Kings. Elisha was used of the Lord during a time of transition. He and the people had to discover the new place the Lord was taking them.

Please read the rest of this newsletter to learn of all the opportunities that will be offered in January as well as for 2023. May the Lord bless as we are on a Journey with Jesus!

Your Pastor David

HISTORY



DISCOVER THE HISTORY OF THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH On Wednesday nights, January 11th and 18th, at 6:30 pm, the pastor will lead a study on church history. We will not only examine what has happened, but why and how that impacts how we do church today. On Wednesday night, January 25th, we will look at Baptist History and how and why Baptists believe and do church.



On Wednesday, January 4th, at 6:30 pm, we will gather in the sanctuary to pray for our church, God's leadership, and anointing for 2023!



Thanks to Steven and Jody Hall for a great Christmas Party.

On Sunday, January 1st, immediately following the morning service in the youth room underneath the Ministry Center, we will have a Snow Ball Battle! Come join us for the fun!



The South Hampton Roads Mission Project is June 24th –July 1st.

We will join with teams from other churches to conduct multiple Vacation Bible Schools. These VBSs will focus on needy communities, helping with church revitalization, and prayerfully laying the groundwork for planting a new Hispanic church in a Hampton Roads neighborhood. Please pray about being part of this mission project.



The WMU Love-In-Action Circle is collecting new or gently used blankets for the Blessing Warriors to distribute to the homeless. Please leave the blankets in the tub outside of the Acts classroom. Blankets will be collected through January 15th.



Church Council Meeting

We will meet on Monday, January 23rd, at 6:00 pm in the Ministry Center to plan the ministries opportunities for March through August. If you lead any ministry please be present for this meeting.



Beginning in February, we will begin a study on "Life Lessons from Revelation" at 6:30 pm. Cost of the book is \$8.99.



Congratulations to Bethanny-Jo Hall for graduating from college and nursing school.

CHOIR MINISTRY

The choir will meet with Wes Eary on Sunday, January 8th, following the morning service in the choir room to plan the choir ministry for the future.



Love-in-Action Circle . . . In Action

The Love-In-Action Circle would like to say thank you to the Church for its support and all those who donated and/or participated in ministry projects for 2022.

Circle members joyfully gave their time to work on the Baby Bottle Campaign, the Blessing Warriors Project, Operation Christmas Child, Piedmont Geriatric Hospital Stock Santa's Sleigh, Amelia Nursing Home Angel Tree, and the Lottie Moon Post Office.

Several Circle members helped with Vacation Bible School, prepared a luncheon, and hosted a reception for our new pastor.

Love-In-Action will meet again on Tuesday, January 10, 2023, at 2:00 p.m. in the home of Billie Thomas.



We will have our monthly men's breakfast on Saturday, January 21st, at 8:00 am. We will introduce a new video series from RightNow Media- "Be a Godly Man". Following the video, Pastor David will meet with any of the guys who would like to discuss and pray about what we have viewed and the struggle to be a godly man in today's culture. We will also discuss plans for the upcoming Men and Boys Retreat April 28-30 at Camp Willow Run in NC.



Each Sunday we have a Children's Sunday School Class as well as a children's message during the

Worship service and a take-home flyer. Children leave the service following the children's message and journey to Kidz Zone for a time of Bible Study, games, and crafts. We are ready and eager to minister to children!



BASKETBALL MINISTRY

We will feed multiple basketball teams at Amelia High School on January 4th and 31st at 3:15 pm. If you would like to serve, contact Pastor David.



CONNECTIONS MINISTRY

We will launch a new ministry on Sunday, January 22nd. We have new families coming into our church. We want to help connect them to the church family. We are asking current members to volunteer to "adopt" a new member or family. This would involve getting in touch with them and developing a friendship with them. Also being available to answer basic questions about our church. Pastor David would like to meet with anyone who is willing to serve in this new ministry on Sunday, January 22nd, following the worship service in the left section of the sanctuary on the piano side. Those willing to serve are welcomed to indicate their preference as to youth, children, young adults, senior adults, etc.