

# Community Baptist Church News

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*Church's Theme: "Being A Fruitful Branch in the Vine of Christ"*



## From the Pastor's Desk

**"Merry Christmas"**

**Rev. Dr. Percy R. Chase**

"And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night." St. Luke 2:7-14

The joy of these verses of scripture is found in the sentences contained within them. We see where the shepherds were, and what they were doing at the time Jesus was born. They were where they should have been, and doing what they were to do. Not as an effort of anticipation of Jesus' coming, but rather, just being responsible to the tasks of their everyday lives.

Again, this season of the year approaches, with its meaning, purpose, joy, and goodwill to all people. It is called in God's Word the "Fullness of Time" in which Christ was born, and brings to all the fullness of joy, life, and hope for our families and faith. May we therefore find the Christ child in our heart. Merry Christmas to all!

### Inspirational Thought: Make Me A Blessing

- Out on the highways and by ways of life, many are weary & sad.
- Carry the sunshine where darkness is prevalent; make the sad glad.
- Give as was given to you in your need; love as Jesus loved you.
- Be to the helpless, a helper indeed; unto your mission be true.
- Out of your life, may Jesus shine; O Savior, I pray.

### CBC Members' Wellness

Recently, several church members have endured illness/medical care and continue to recover. Please continue to pray for Sisters Mae Cole, Harriette Cooke, and Carrie Hill.



### Girl Scouts Cookies Update



In January, 2021, Girl Scout Troop 752 will not be selling girl scout cookies for \$4 per box in its annual cookie drive due to COVID-19. For additional information, see Sister Joleatha Leathers.



### CBC for Urban Ministry



Recently, Sister Betty Lee accepted contributions from members who participated in the Community Baptist Church support for Urban Ministries in Durham, NC for the purchase of masks for residents at the site. Together we can make a difference in the spread of COVID-19.

### Health News

#### Be Prepared to Stay Safe & Healthy this Winter

Winter storms and cold temperatures can be hazardous. But if you plan ahead, you can stay safe and healthy. Prepare your home and cars. Prepare for power outages and outdoor activity. Check on older adults.

Although winter comes as no surprise, many of us are not ready for its arrival. If you are prepared for the hazards of winter, you will be more likely to remain safe and healthy when temperatures start to fall.

#### GS Troop Wish List for Ronald McDonald House

Nov.20th-Dec. 10th: Drop Off at Joleatha Leathers' Basket on the Side Porch of her House

- ◆ 20 oz. Paper Bowls
- ◆ Store Gift Cards for Birthdays, Money Donations
- ◆ Soup Stew Pasta
- ◆ Soap, Sanitizer, Lysol
- ◆ Drinking glasses, Frying pans, Utensils
- ◆ Paint Brushes, Acrylic Paint
- ◆ Post It Notes, Birthday Party Supplies