



Baptist Men's Day will be celebrated on Sunday, January 26th. We invite everyone to attend a breakfast, provided by our Baptist Men on that Sunday morning at 9:00 am – 9:45 am.



Prayer Concerns: Tom Benfield, Ellen Bobbitt, Ellen Cook, Bobby & Irene Cheek, Marty & Judy Daniels, Larry Davis (Susan Hilton's nephew), Ann Huth, Hedwig Koehler (mother of Melissa Little's German friend Monika), Laura (friend of Kathy Mills), Ritchie Longworth, Clinton McCann, Juan & Lidia Mendoza (neighbors of Hal & Melissa Little), Ron Mills, Derek Reavis (friend of Mark Reavis), Darlene Smith (Cindy Clark's mother), Bettie Spencer, Cammie Walker, Roger Burnett (Lisa Young's father), and John Young (Lisa's husband).

Children's Church - Ages 3 to 10

January 5 th	Robin French
January 12 th	Susan Hilton
January 19 th	Marianne Casas
January 26 th	Cindy Clark

January Birthdays

1/1	Crista Church
1/6	Sara VonCannon
1/9	Mary Hill
1/12	Judy Daniels
1/13	Steve Hurley
1/18	Beverly Weavil
1/19	Paul East, Adam Woods
1/20	Cynthia Benfield, Susan Cheek
1/20	Stoney Longworth, Kathy Mills, Terri Turner
1/24	Ann Huth
1/30	Brenda Grose, Kathy Horton
1/31	Felix Smith

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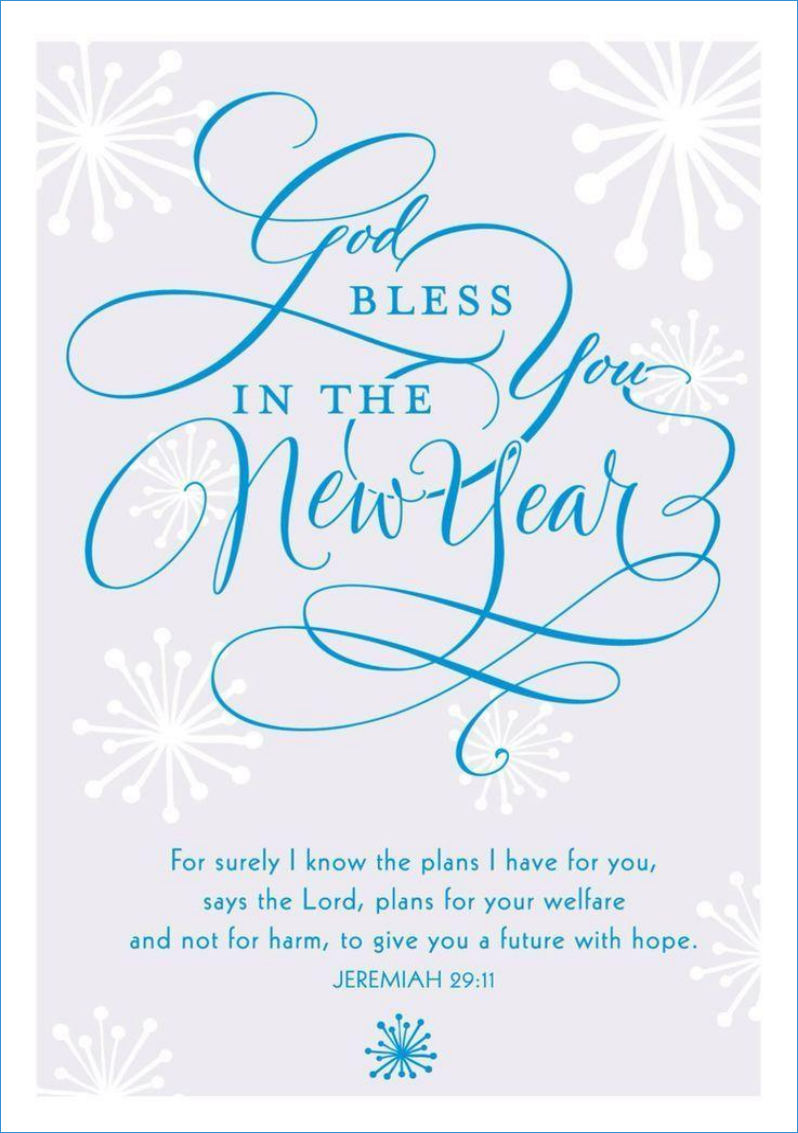
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Dr. Adam Woods
Mrs. Gayle Smith
Rev. Marty Daniels
Mrs. Angie Weavil
Mrs. Sara VonCannon
Mrs. Teresa Tucker

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Message from the Pastor

I've used this quote in other places, and I make it a point to read these words on the first day of each new year. C.S. Lewis said...The real problem of the Christian life comes where people do not usually look for it. It comes the very moment you wake up each morning. All your wishes and hopes for the day rush at you like wild animals. And the first job each morning consists simply in shoving them back; in listening to that other voice, taking that other point of view, letting that other larger, stronger, quieter life come flowing in. And so on, all day.

Jesus said...A kernel of wheat must be planted in the soil. Unless it dies it will be alone — a single seed. But its death will produce many new kernel — a plentiful harvest of new lives. (John 12:24)

As we begin the New Year, we need to remember this principle: Every day must begin with our own death. We must put aside the things we want and set our minds on that which he wants.
Grace and Peace,
Adam

Bad Weather Policy

The Bad Weather Committee in coordination with the Pastor and Deacons will make the determination to cancel services.

- You may watch WFMY-TV 2, WGHP FOX8 TV, or WXII-TV 12 for cancellation information.
- If you have not heard any news within a reasonable time, you may contact your Deacon.



In grateful appreciation we recognize Teresa Tucker for 25 years (as of December 6, 2024) of service to Union Cross and to us as individuals. Many times, she has listened to us and shared our times of joy, celebration, and grief. We would truly fall apart without her.

Financial Summary

December 1, 2024	
Undesignated Gifts	\$4,456.00
Designated Gifts	\$ 335.60
Total Offering	\$4,791.60
December 8, 2024	
Undesignated Gifts	\$4,876.00
Designated Gifts	\$ 705.00
Total Offering	\$5,581.00
December 15, 2024	
Undesignated Gifts	\$2,900.00
Designated Gifts	\$ 444.50
Total Offering	\$3,344.50
December 22, 2024	
Undesignated Gifts	\$3,239.70
Designated Gifts	\$ 105.00
Total Offering	\$3,344.70

General Fund

November General Fund Receipts	\$14,322.00
November General Fund Expenses	- \$17,705.47
November General Fund Net	\$ 3,383.47
November Fund Balance	\$93,891.30



Women on Mission ladies had their December email meeting on December 4, 2024

DECEMBER WOM ACTIVITIES:

Hospice Ministry Note: Snack donations were continued to be delivered to both WS & HP Hospice Homes.

December Mission Projects and Outreach

- \$282 was sent to WS Rescue Mission for 75 meals.
- Sent \$700 to Baptist Children's Home in Thomasville during their match dollar for dollar campaign, thus our \$700 donation became \$1,400.
- Sent \$325 to Samaritan's Purse for shipping costs for the many OCC shoeboxes we sent and thank you to a few others who also sent donations for shipping cost.

Four WOM members also traveled to Charlotte to volunteer at the Distribution Center for Samaritan's Purse OCC.

- Delivered many toys and other gifts to Glenn View Baptist Church for the Eastern Forsyth Toy Store. The toy store held on December 14th was a huge success. We had 107 families signed up to attend and toys were chosen for approximately 302 children. What a BLESSING! Also 7 UCBC WOM ladies volunteered at the toy store.
- A few WOM ladies "*adopted*" some nursing home residents by providing a Christmas gift to each one. Melissa and her mother also provided Christmas blessings bags for 2 other chosen residents without family support.

It seems like it was just yesterday; I was writing the January 2024 newsletter article—now another beginning is about to be here--January 2025. As we look back over the past year, we know WOM members were committed to helping many organizations/people with our mission projects. Now that a new year is here, we all strive to continue to be a witness to others through our thoughts, our actions and our love for everyone (even those with different backgrounds and lifestyles.) We know Christ sees no barriers and neither should we as UNION CROSS REACHES OUT TO SHOW HIS LOVE.
--Jane Sutphin

International Supper sponsored by WOM will be held on January 12th at 5:00 p.m. Plan to bring your favorite dish from another country (or a good old American dish) to share as we come together to remember missionaries serving around the world.

Missions Offering

Thank you for your donations to our missions offering. We raised \$75 for Lottie Moon, \$195 for Global Missions, \$502 for the Baptist Children's Home, and \$1,076.10 for the W-S Rescue Mission for Thanksgiving and Christmas meals.