

# THE BRANCHES



**Cedar Creek**  
BAPTIST CHURCH

Welcome! We hope you find this newsletter informative & encouraging. If you have any needs that we can help you with, please reach out to us! We hope to see you at CCBC, in person, very soon!

## *A Letter From The Pastor*

BY PASTOR ANDY MOORE

Dear Cedar Creek Family:

It seems as if I cannot say “thank you” enough. I continue to be overwhelmed by your love, kindness, generosity, and thoughtfulness to me and my family. As you well know, we are traveling through the valley of the shadow of grief. As I write this, my heart is full of joy, but also full of sorrow as I continue to mourn the passing of my father, Rev. Ellis A. Moore. My Daddy was such a powerful force in my life. He has saved my life many times and loved me through some of the darkest days of my rebellion against the Lord. I so wish you could have met him. You would have loved him from the very first time you talked to him. He was always quick to say, “If there’s anything good in me, it’s just Jesus.” His life, faith, and love has guided me, protected me, and trained me to be the man I am today. One day, when we all get to heaven, I know he will be glad to meet you. In the meantime, the work of the kingdom goes on. We put our hand to the plow, and we do not look back. This world is not our home; we’re just passing through until we reach our eternal home.

I hope you will join me in saying “goodbye” to 2024 and saying “hello” to 2025. We are starting the year off with some great things that I know will bless you and encourage you. I’m so excited that we will be bringing some new deacons into our church family this year. The Lord has blessed our church with great leadership.

Another event that I am excited about is our brand-new mid-week Bible Study beginning Wednesday, January 8th at 6:00 pm. Bring your Bibles and your favorite coffee mug as we open our hearts and minds to study God’s Word together. I believe that it will be a huge blessing and source of encouragement to you each week. And that’s just the beginning of some exciting things happening this year!

Please be in constant prayer for one another. Seek out new ways to cultivate strong friendships and relationships with one another. Invite friends and neighbors to worship on Sunday. Commit yourselves to grow closer than ever before to Jesus. God is up to something good! I love you dearly and I thank God every time I think about you.

I love you each of you! May the Lord richly bless you.

*Pastor Andy*

## DEACON OF THE WEEK

5th: Evans Duren  
12th: David Marion  
19th: Eric Locklear  
26th: Dr. Randy Bolton

## NURSERY SCHEDULE

Will be published by the Children’s Ministry Team when available



Children’s Ministry is empowered by members of our church who volunteer their time & energy to love our kids & families. Kids learn & experience the love of Jesus, which we pray encourages them toward a lifetime of faith.

**But did you know it takes regular volunteers to make Children’s Ministry happen?** That includes volunteers in Nursery & Children’s Sunday School.

A sign-up sheet will be available in the front lobby. Please email us at [ccbcworship1@gmail.com](mailto:ccbcworship1@gmail.com) for more information or to be removed off the 2025 list.

**Ladies, are you looking for a fun way to connect with other women in a relaxed setting?** We’d love for you to join one of our new women’s small groups, called Connect Groups.

These groups will meet once a quarter (February, May, August, and November) and will consist of a group leader and 8-10 other ladies. It will be a time to meet, pray, and make connections. Our hope is that the connections you make during these group times will encourage you in your walk.

Please register by visiting [linktr.ee/ccbcworship](https://linktr.ee/ccbcworship) or on our website at [ccbcworship.org](https://ccbcworship.org)

Grief Share will be starting their 2025 season on **Thursday, January 23rd**. If you would like more information, please visit <https://linktr.ee/ccbcworship>

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*"I am the vine, you are the branches; he who abides in Me and I in him, he bears much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing."* JOHN 15:5

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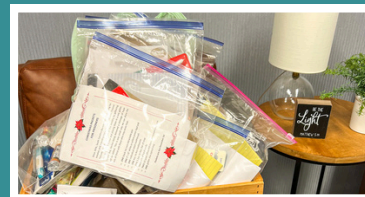
The next quarterly business meeting will be  
**Wednesday, January 22nd at 6 pm.**

If you are interested in serving at CCBC, please reach out to us by sending an email to [ccbcworship1@gmail.com](mailto:ccbcworship1@gmail.com)

Our church newsletter is available via electronic copy, on our website, on our Linktree, or for pickup in our church lobby. If you'd like to receive an electronic copy, please email [ccbcworship1@gmail.com](mailto:ccbcworship1@gmail.com). If you need to receive a hard copy, please reach out to your Deacon!

The Branches Newsletter is published on the 20th of each month. If you have something you'd like included in next month's newsletter, please have the information to Anna Stalnaker by the 10th of the month.

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION/ UPCOMING EVENTS



Last month the CCBC WMU collected 49 Christmas packets to be distributed to those currently incarcerated. SC Baptists and friends around the state gave resources and materials to fulfill a goal of 17,000 packs and we did it, together! They officially packed 17,175 prisoner packs to be distributed to state inmates in South Carolina. They look forward to these packs each year as many of them need the personal care items we pack.

Ladies! mark your calendars! Our next meeting quarterly gathering will be **Friday, January 24th from 6-8 pm**. We will have food, fellowship, & a special message from our guest speaker, Candee Brakefield!

Fruitbearers will be collecting non-perishable items for the Christian Assistance Bridge (CAB). We will be gathering food in **January & July** for this wonderful organization. Donation boxes will be available in the foyer, Sunday School building, & fellowship hall. For a list of suggested items, please visit <https://linktr.ee/ccbcworship>.

Attention, women! We will begin our "Jesus and Women" by Kristi McLelland bible study on **Thursday, January 16th at 10:00 am**. We will be meeting at Shirley Newman's home. A sign-up sheet will be in the lobby, as well as at <https://linktr.ee/ccbcworship>. If you have any questions, please reach out to Shirley Newman.

## JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

1st: Jan Girard  
1st: Susie Newton  
1st: Rick Riley  
2nd: Sara Corn  
4th: Ashley Hyatt  
6th: Sylvia Beckham  
7th: Roger Dodds  
10th: Gina Lee  
10th: Sarah Newton  
10th: Alex Riley  
11th: Michael Greene  
12th: Ronnie Lamar  
17th: David Love  
22nd: Valerie Bolton  
25th: Jamie Ballentin  
28th: Allison Hobgood