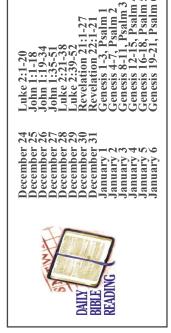
to The Highland Evangel, 3400 27th Street, Meridian, MS 39305.





Adam and Brooke Kitchens

ARSERY VOLUNTEERS DECEMBER Drew Calkoun, Jesselyn Harpeı Jamie Smith, Sharon Johnson Debbie McDaniel, Diane White



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WE WISH YOU A MERRY AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24

Sunday School 9:00-9:45 AM Morning Worship 10:00-11:00 AM Christmas Eve Service 5:00 PM

MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY NO Adult Exercise

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27 No Scheduled Activities

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31

Sunday School 9:00-9:45 AM Morning Worship 10:00-11:00 AM

Observance of the Lord's Supper

WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY Adult Exercise at 8:30 AM

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3 No Scheduled Activities

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7

Sunday School 9:00-9:45 AM Morning Worship 10:00-11:00 AM

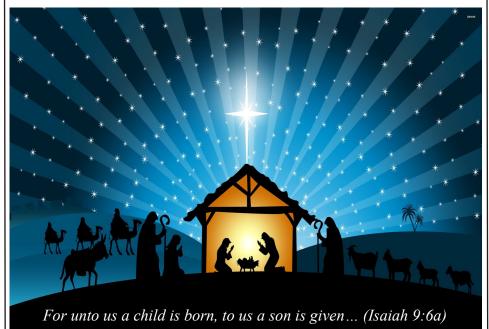
Youth Parent Meeting following Morning Worship

Youth Bonfire 5:00-7:30 PM

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10

Resume Wednesday Night Activities

FROM OUR SENIOR PASTOR...



This Sunday we will gather and celebrate the most miraculous, unbelievable, seemingly impossible, and humbling thing that has ever happened in human history: God took on human flesh. God gave us His Son. Emmanuel (God with us). It is so easy to breeze past this day and even celebrate it maybe with a little more joy than normal and still miss the miraculous nature of what took place. The Word of God gave up every right of glory and took on flesh. As Paul succinctly states, "He emptied himself; He humbled himself' (Philippians 2:6-8). It's so easy to miss this. When we give gifts, it is usually because the receiver has done something to receive the gift. As an employer we may give a gift to our employees as a thank you. Or we give gifts out of love to our family members. But as Paul Tripp writes, "Jesus did what he did not because of something special he saw in us, but because of something holy and pure that was inside him" (Paul Tripp, Come Let Us Adore Him, 86). If it were not for God's love and Jesus' humility, we would have no hope and no future heaven destination. This is the reason for the season. This is why we celebrate.

I am encouraging you to make a special point to gather with us this Sunday morning and evening as we celebrate the birth of our Savior. Christmas Eve (evening) begins at 5:00 PM. Invite others to each of these services so they too can have an opportunity to receive the greatest gift ever given!

HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH MEMORIALS/HONORS

IN MEMORY OF JERRY MCCAY Designated to the Music Ministry

IN MEMORY OF THELLIS WINSTEAD Designated to the Youth Ministry

IN MEMORY OF ELAINE HURTT Designated to the Children's Ministry

IN MEMORY OF CINDY ROSS Designated to the Children's Ministry By Wanda Ray

IN MEMORY OF BOBBY J. GRIFFIN

Designated to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering by

Tom Clayton's Sunday School Class

IN MEMORY OF CINDY ROSS by the Mayer family

IN MEMORY OF THELLIS WINSTEAD

IN MEMORY OF CINDY ROSS

Designated to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering by Carolyn McCay

IN MEMORY OF SARAH HUBER

Designated to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

by Elliott and Fran Fleming

IN HONOR OF THE WEDNESDAY LADIES PRECEPT CLASS:

Designated to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering by Cornelia Laird

IN HONOR OF SYLVIA GAMBILL

IN HONOR OF LYN HAILEY

Designated to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering by

Skyward Sunday School Class

IN HONOR OF CAROLYN NEAL

IN HONOR OF BARBARA ANDERSON

IN HONOR OF SONDRA MEDLIN

Designated to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering by

Faith Sunday School Class



STEWARDSHIP REPORT DECEMBER 17, 2023

Budget 42,220.60 CDC .00 Designated 5,627.84 Total 47,848.44

Budget Req. to date (51@25,663.08) Budget Receipts to date 1,308,817.08

Budget Deficit to date

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SUNDAY SCHOOL/WORSHIP