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December 24 Luke 2:1-20
December 25 John 1:1-18
December 26 John 1:19-34
December 27 John 1:35-51
December 28 Luke 2:21-38
December 29 Luke 2:39-52
December 30 Revelation 21:1-27
December 31 Revelation 22:1-21
January 1 Genesis 1-3, Psalm 1
January 2 Genesis 4-7, Psalm 2
January 3 Genesis 8-11, Psalm 3
January 4 Genesis 12-15, Psalm 4
January 5 Genesis 16-18, Psalm 5
January 6 Genesis 19-21, Psalm 6

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS DECEMBER 24
Adam and Brooke Kitchens
Drew Calhoun, Jesselyn Harper
NURSERY VOLUNTEERS DECEMBER 31
Jamie Smith, Sharon Johnson
Debbie McDaniel, Diane White



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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 SONDRAL MEDLIN

Designated to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering by

Faith Sunday School Class



GIVE GENEROUSLY THIS SEASON
OUR GOAL—\$50,000 GIVEN TO DATE— \$22,590.00

STEWARDSHIP REPORT DECEMBER 17, 2023

Budget	42,220.60	Budget Req. to date	1,308,817.08
CDC	.00	(51@25,663.08)	
Designated	5,627.84	Budget Receipts to date	1,207,832.55
Total	47,848.44	Budget Deficit to date	100,984.53
		SUNDAY SCHOOL/WORSHIP	232/283