MANGHAM BAPTIST CHURCH DECEMBER 2019 NEWSLETTER

Rick Aultman—Pastor



Luke 2 In those days Caesar Augustus issued a decree that a census should be taken of the entire Roman world.² (This was the first census that took place while Quirinius was governor of Syria.)³ And everyone went to their own town to register. ⁴ So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David. ⁵ He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child. ⁶ While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, ⁷ and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no guest room available for them. ⁸ And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. 9 An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. ¹⁰ But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. ¹¹ Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord. ¹² This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger." ¹³ Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, ¹⁴ "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests." ¹⁵ When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about." ¹⁶ So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger. ¹⁷ When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child, ¹⁸ and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them. ¹⁹ But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart. ²⁰ The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and seen, which were just as they had been told.

And with these words we are reminded of God's ability to keep his promises, to provide for his people, and make a way for us to have a real life relationship with him. So, in the midst of the hectic activity that

always seems to happen at this time of year, let us remember to seek God and grow in Christ. After all, He is the Reason for this season.

Believing and Belonging, Bro Rick

OPERATION CHRISTMAS SHOEBOXES

Thank you to Alicia, the youth and all others that helped package the Operation Christmas Shoeboxes. We sent 200 boxes this year.

Christmas King Cakes

We will be selling Christmas King Cakes for the month of December. Cost: \$23.00. Sign- up sheet will be in the foyer.

Ladies Pokeno

Ladies Pokeno will be December 2, at 6:00pm. Cost: \$10.00

Christmas Parade

Christmas parade is December 7th. Announcements on times to work on the float will be coming soon.

Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

This year for Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, our goal will be \$1800.00. This is a great opportunity for us to support our foreign missionaries. Southern Baptists are one of the largest missions' sending groups in the world, and we depend on the generosity of our members to keep missionaries in the field. Thank you for your generosity in helping see the Gospel reach the ends of the earth. The Lottie Moon Christmas offering will be collected the week of December 8th.

GLOW

No GLOW on Wednesday, November 27th. We will have GLOW on December 4th. GLOW Christmas Store is December 11th . Glow will resume January 8, 2020.

Sign-up sheet for Centri Kid is in the foyer.

Dates: June 7 – 11th

Cost: \$350.00

Care and Share

December - Peanut Butter and Canned Soups: tomato, chicken noodle, chicken & rice

December Birthday Calendars

December birthday calendars are available in the foyer.

Our Senior Saints Over Seventy

Celebrating our Senior Saints over seventy in December: John Landers and JoAnn McKay

Colonial Manor Birthday Cakes

Roger Odom's Sunday school class is responsible for the Colonial Manor Birthday Cakes for the month of December.

Associational Singing

We will hold our December 1st evening service in conjunction with our other area churches at Start Baptist Church. The choirs from different churches will be singing and the musical will be followed with a fellowship time.

Children's Christmas Play

The MBC Children's Ministry will present "The Unplugged Christmas" during our evening service on December 15 at 6:00. Please make every effort to attend and show your appreciation for the children and the ministry. The program will be followed by a time of fellowship and family activities. Please bring snacks and finger foods for the fellowship.

MBC Choir Presentation

Our adult choir will be leading us in worship on Sunday morning, December 22. We hope you will come join us to hear a wonderful message in song. This will be a great opportunity to invite friends, family, and neighbors to church. Our evening time will be spent caroling in our community.

There will be no evening activities on Wednesday, December 25, Christmas Day. We pray that everyone is safe as they travel and spend time with family. Wherever you are on that day, we wish you a Merry Christmas and pray that all that you do will honor the great gift our heavenly father sent on that day. Happy Birthday, Jesus.

SAVE THESE DATES

Dec 1: Association Christmas singing at Start Baptist Church

Dec 7: Mangham Christmas parade

Dec 15: MBC Children's Christmas Play

Dec 22: MBC Choir Presentation / Caroling in the Evening

Quarterly Business Meeting

Our Quarterly Business Meeting and Fellowship has been moved to the evening of January 5th. We are asking everyone to please bring snacks, finger foods, and desserts. We will be laying out our plan for the upcoming year, so please make every effort to attend.



December 1st – Susan Morgan – Malena Orr

- December $8^{\rm th}~-$ Judy Gilley Jeannie Deere
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- December 29th Jessica McKay April McClure



- December 1st Andrea Spruell Melissa Duckworth – Mackenzie Burns
- December 15th Sarah Parrish Malena Orr
- December 22nd Lori Guthrie Jessica McKay – April McClure
- December 29th Sonya Arender Mona Chisholm

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