

# Beacon Light

**We live to Grow Christ's kingdom by  
passionately sharing His truth in love.**

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# Happy Birthday

- 1 Deborah Kinnaman
- 3 Amber Hamilton
- 6 June Jones
- 7 Sharon Hobson
- 9 Lee Miller
- 16 Clifford Burriss, Celia Sturgeon
- 26 Susan Donaldson
- 27 Kate Maberto, Sara Heller
- 28 Marjorie Spencer
- 30 Gabriella Lemons



## Celebrating

*An Anniversary This Month*

Happy 8th Anniversary to Todd & Becky Ervin  
on December 6th.

Happy 31st Anniversary to Jerry & Mary Ann Cress  
on December 9th.

Happy 22nd Anniversary to Larry & Jeanette Johnson  
on December 9th.

Happy 5th Anniversary to Roger & Jennifer Lemons  
on December 15th.

Happy 58th Anniversary to Tom & Alberta Burnett  
on December 21st.



## From the Pastor:

Merry Christmas!

Thank you for your generosity over the last year! We had so many blessings. We paid off our roof, offered 11 free meals, a coat drive, the free for all, and now we have paid for over 116 t-shirts for SonShine Kids and Grapple. But we are not done yet. We need your help in 2011 to do more!

## How do we spend God's Money?



7 1/2 % Local Missions



6 1/2 % National and International Missions



1 % North Knox Social Ministries and Indian Creek Camp



2 % Fellowship Activities, Funeral Dinners, Kitchen Supplies and Miscellaneous



9 % Christian Educations: Small Groups, Nursery, Sunday School, Youth and Children Programs



3 % Worship Ministries: Organist, Music supplies, New Music Purchases, Copyright License



1 % Deacons' Ministry: Communion Supplies, ABC Conferences



25 % Trustee Ministry: Buildings, vehicles and office supplies



45 % Salaries: Pastor, Administrative Assistant, Custodian

Your gifts to the church make a difference! We use your offerings to fulfill our mission to, "Grow Christ's Kingdom by passionately sharing His Truth in Love." Every dollar you give, make a difference in our ministries.

Thank you for being faithful!



# NEWS FROM THE PEWS

**OUR SYMPAMTHIES** Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family of Doris Luking. Doris went home to be with the Lord on Sunday, November 7th.. Please keep her family in your prayers.

**IT'S A GIRL**—Congratulations to Stan & Tabatha Provines on the birth of their baby girl, Claire Michelle. Claire was born on October 26th at 7:43 am. She weighed 7 lb, 15 oz. and was welcomed home by her big sister Paige. Everyone is doing fine and feeling blessed.



**THANKSGIVING DINNER** - *Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever. 1 Chronicles 16:34.* We here



at the First Baptist Church are truly thankful for the blessings God has given us. On Sunday, November 21st, we received such a blessing by opening our doors to the community for a free thanksgiving dinner. As people filed in to eat and fellowship with one another, you could feel the warmth of God's presents amongst the people. We are so looking forward to seeing what God has in store for us and for those in our community for the new year.

**RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE** - The Red Cross held their yearly blood drive in the church hall on Tuesday, November 23rd. According to the Red Cross, they had 11 productive donors. They reported that these 11 donors helped to save 33 lives. Thank you for your donation . The drive will be held again next year on November 22nd. Mark your calendars and give the gift of life.



**CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE**—There will be a Christmas Eve service on December 24th at 11:00 p.m. Come and help celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ.

## "BETHLEHEM WAS SO THAT CALVARY MIGHT BE"

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son,  
that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have  
everlasting life. John 3:16

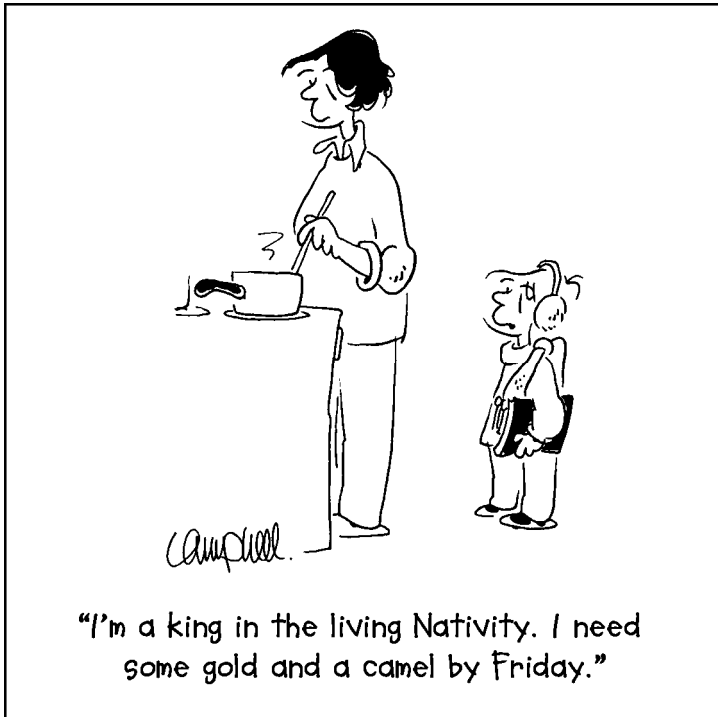
Had Jesus not been born in that stable so still,  
There would not have been the cross on Calvary's hill.

Gods gift of His son Jesus to earth he sent.  
So that life everlasting with Him could be spent.

Jesus gave His life so we could be saved - you and me.  
Because we all have sinned; Read Romans 3:23.

But we can believe, confess, and turn from our sin.  
Find this in verses 10, 11, 13, of Romans, Chapter 10.

The best gift -- Give Jesus your heart and you can say:  
"I am saved and I know I will live in Heaven one day".





**THE POINSETTIA TREE IN THE FRONT  
OF THE SANCTUARY IS IN MEMORY OF THE  
FOLLOWING PEOPLE**



**Larry Alexander** from Sharon Alexander

**Eddie Stephens** from Sharon Alexander

**Warren Stewart** from Maxine Stewart

**Kathryn Taylor & Flo Phipps** from Anna Robinson, Jeromie Taylor,  
Lora & Kelsey Wheatley

**Christopher & Joe Talley and Nathan Miller** from Lee & Susan Miller

**Robert J. Cradick, Albert & Freda Scott, Ralph, Lloyd & Harold Scott  
& Daniel Scott Yawn** from Mary Cradick

**Chris & Sandi Davis** from Wanda Donham; Richie & Tonya Donaldson

**Guy & Ruth Purcell** from Burl Purcell & Family; Wanda Donham  
& Family

**Herb Donham** from Wanda Donham; Richie & Tonya Donaldson

**Percy & Lucille Donham** from Wanda Donham; Richie & Tonya  
Donaldson

**Linda (Stein) Purcell** from Burl Purcell & Family

**Shirley Estabrook** from Robert & Sheryl Sinclair & Family

**Owen Sinclair** from Robert & Sheryl Sinclair & Family

**Madge Sinclair** from Robert & Sheryl Sinclair & Family

**Francis Arthur** from Patty Arthur

**Marifrances Cone** from Don Cone

**Chad Arthur** from his Family

**Ron Page** from Mitch & Carla Arthur

**Gene Arthur** from his Family

**Neal & Dorothy Hobson** from Randy & Sharon Hobson

**Bill Reel** from Marianne, Rob & Maureen Reel

**Robert Spider DeCoursey** from his Family

**Our Deceased Loved Ones** from Gib & Barbara Vance & Family

**All Family Members who have gone to heaven before us, especially Ethel Byrer and Cindi Paden.** Thank You Jesus!!  
From Gary & Christina Byrer.

**Sean & Jonathan Alexander** from Seth, Lauren, Tabbitha, Heather, & Tyler

**Cheryl Biggs** from Seth, Lauren, Tabbitha, Heather, & Tyler

**Eldon & Ethel Byrer** from Jeff & Lu Miller

**Phyllis Hart & Larry Ellis** from Don & Margaret Hart

**My loving parents John & Ruth McLin** from Neil & Ruth Ann Ivers

**Our Parents: Eldon & Ethel Byrer and John Keasling** from Bill & Karen Byrer

**James L. Messer** from Chris & Emily Ellerman

**Our Dad, Jim Messer** from Lindsey & Megan and Kelly Messer

**Eldon & Ethel Byrer** from Bill & Sara Heller

**Jeffrey A. Hicks & Eldon W. Hicks** from Bill & Sara Heller

## DOOR GREETERS

December 5	1st Service	Nina Mahan
	2nd Service	Bonnie & Abby Sydow
December 12	1st Service	Jeff & Lu Miller
	2nd Service	Stacy Alkire
December 19	1st Service	Nancy Padgett
	2nd Service	Lauren Alexander
December 26	1st Service	Debbie Talley
	2nd Service	Deanna Alston

## USHERS

December 5	1st Service	Leo & Jo Ann Kotlarsky Tom & Alberta Burnett
	2nd Service	Jim & Becky Boyles Gary & Beverly Jones
December 12	1st Service	David & Melissa Overton Randy & Sharon Hobson
	2nd Service	Max & Becky Nickless Doug & Bonnie Sydow
December 19	1st Service	Gary & Christina Byrer Don & Margaret Hart
	2nd Service	Lee Miller, Anna Osmon, Daniel Sydow & Abby Sydow
December 26	1st Service	Mitch & Carla Arthur David & Judy Davis
	2nd Service	Ben McVay, Micah Sydow, Caleb Sydow & Luke Sydow

## SCRIPTURE READERS

December 5	1st Service	Melissa Overton
	2nd Service	Grace Jones
December 12	1st Service	Christina Byrer
	2nd Service	Anna Osmon
December 19	1st Service	Gary Byrer
	2nd Service	Luke Sydow
December 26	1st Service	Carla Arthur
	2nd Service	Ben McVay

## YOUTH CHURCH WORKERS

December 5	2nd Service	Becky Boyles
December 12	2nd Service	Ben McVay
December 19	2nd Service	Carol Maze
December 26	2nd Service	Dusty McKimmy

## OUR TITHES AND ATTENDANCE

<u>Date</u>	<u>Sunday School</u>	<u>Worship Services</u>	<u>Offering</u>
Nov 7	42	125	\$2,813.89
Nov 14	48	139	\$1,730.76
Nov 21	54	139	\$3,233.58
Nov 28	52	128	\$2,015.40
		Average Offering	\$2,448.41
		Average Needed	\$2,942.40



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