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 Men/s Breakfast.....Tony Fleetwood; Jerry Boykin/Jim Hedgepath
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SLBC Deacons *Deacons for the month of January

*Jerry Atkins 755-1494 Joe McKay 603-8792
 *Ron Matthews 312-3036 Robert Mitchell 603-8252
 Toby Spires 260-1404 Marion Steele 609-6115

Ron Matthews is our Deacon Chair this year. Much thanks to Jerry Atkins for all his service this past year as our Deacon Chairman and to Brian Bishop & Gene Crumpton as they rotate off as active Deacons.



For The Record...

Dec. 2nd - Attendance	Dec. 9th - Attendance
Sunday School 108	Sunday School 111
Worship 156	Worship 157
Dec. 16th - Attendance	Dec. 23rd - Attendance
Sunday School 110	Sunday School 93
Worship 165	Worship 140 Est.



General Fund Offering

Weekly Budget Requirement	\$ 8,570.47
Dec. 2 Offering	\$ 8,594.67
Dec. 9 Offering	\$ 8,693.97
Dec. 16 Offering	\$ 5,929.76
Dec. 23 Offering	\$ 5,991.20
Budget Requirement YTD (52 Weeks)	\$ 454,235.58
Offerings Received YTD	\$ 404,006.22
Expenses (Actual) YTD	\$ 401,424.69
Designated Receipts (YTD)	\$ 50,581.48
Love Offerings - YTD	\$ 6,670.54
Lottie Moon YTD (SLBC Goal: \$1,000)	\$ 830.00



A New Year's Blessing... May God make your year a happy one! Not by shielding you from all sorrow and pain, but by strengthening you to bear it as it comes. Not by making your path easy, but by making you sturdy to travel any path. Not by taking hardships from you, but by taking fear from your heart. Not by granting you unbroken sunshine, but by keeping your face bright, even in the shadows. Not by making your life always pleasant, but by showing you when people and their causes need you most, and by making you anxious to be there to help. God's love, peace, hope and joy to you for the year ahead. Look ahead and prepare-don't look back and regret.

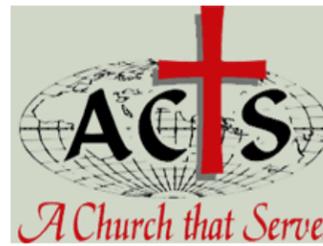


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ISSUE 1

Our Mission

South Lexington Baptist Church exists for the sole purpose of glorifying God. Our mission consists of reaching people for Christ, worshiping in Spirit and in Truth, teaching people the Bible, training people (discipleship), ministering to people's needs, and fellowshiping with people in Christ's Name. Let His Light shine through You!

All Welcome!

Sunday Worship

10:30 AM

Sunday School

(All Ages)

9:30 AM

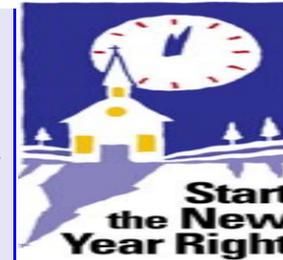
Evening Worship

6:30 PM

Wednesday Bible

Study and Prayer

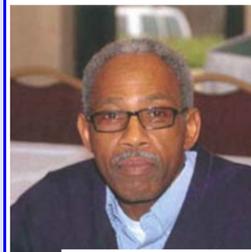
7:00 PM



I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.
 Psalm 139:14, NRSV

YOU ARE INVITED!! Community-Wide
 New Year's Eve Breakfast December 31st

beginning at 6 PM hosted by SLBC Deacons and singing by special guest, Levon Stack. **Everyone is welcome!!**



Bring the WHOLE family!

Happy New Year Happy New Year Happy New Year

Begin the New Year In Prayer And Thanksgiving to God!!

Sanctity of Human Life Sunday

January 20th - Day Break Pregnancy Crisis Center will be with us during our AM worship to reflect on the sacredness of all human life. Plan to be with us as we reflect on God's creations, as we are all, "fearfully and wonderfully made." A short video will also be presented.

A NEW YEAR WISH

May the New Year bring us:
 Enough happiness to keep us sweet;
 Enough trials to keep us strong;
 Enough hope to keep us lively;
 Enough sorrows to keep us dependent upon God;
 Enough failure to keep us humble;
 Enough success to keep us eager;
 Enough friends to give us comfort;
 Enough wealth to meet our needs;
 Enough enthusiasm to keep us looking forward;
 Enough faith to overcome despair;
 And enough determination to use every day and situation somehow for good.





A Word Concerning Bro. Robert...

At the printing of this newsletter, Bro. Robert continues to improve following his heart cath (Dec. 21st) and his heart pump to remove fluid (Dec. 22-27). His heart has sustained considerable damage and he remains in the care of staff & doctors at Lexington Medical Center ICU. Linda & family continue to minister to him by his side and I am sure Bro. Robert would ask that we pray for them as well. Copy of "thank-you" printed in bulletin...

Linda and I are so very appreciative to everyone for the food, treats, cards, and gift cards given to us at Christmas. I am so grateful to each of you for all the love and prayers lifted up on my behalf while I'm in the hospital. Your continued prayers are coveted. Thank you so very much, dear Church Family, Bro. Robert.

DOLLARS & CENTS

HOW CAN I GIVE GOD JOY? -Zephaniah 3:17 (KJV) ¹⁷ The LORD thy God in the midst of thee is mighty; He will save, He will rejoice over thee with joy; He will rest in His love, He will joy over thee with singing. Try the three "T's", **Time, Talent, Treasure.** *Time*-Every minute of every day is a blessing from God. We should all find "Time" for God each and every day by reading His word and praying, at "Quiet Time". I'm glad the words "I'm too busy or I don't have time" is not in His vocabulary. *Talent*-God gives each of us different talents to accomplish different works for Him and His kingdom. When we don't use our God-given talents in His service, then you would have to think His kingdom suffers from our unwillingness to use what He has blessed us with. *Treasure*-Just like time and talent, our treasure also comes from God, even though we may not want to admit it. Treasure may be the hardest for us to let go of. You may have heard the saying, "Show me a man's checkbook and I'll show you where his heart is". God's Word tells us that He loves a cheerful giver so give God joy by giving Him your **Time, Talent, and Treasure.** Jerry Frick, Finance - My Two Cents

New Year Resolutions

1. Forget the past and honor God more.
2. Live for Christ in the world.
3. Trust God with a strong faith
4. Remain faithful to my church.
5. Witness to the lost.
6. Cultivate the talents God has given me for **His** glory.
7. Look ahead and prepare-don't look back and regret.



Senior Adults will resume their regular monthly meetings on the last Thursday of each month (This Month-January 31st at 11:30 AM). Guest speaker, Linda Davis, with Hospice Care of Tri-County. Bring a dish for our pot-luck lunch and become a part of our Seniors on the Go at SLBC. See BJ if you have any questions.



Men's 3rd Saturday Breakfast meeting resumes January 19th at 8 AM. All men are welcome to join us for great food and fellowship. See Tony Fleetwood, Jerry Boykin or Jim Hedgepath.

Please give prayer updates to Samantha McGee, our Prayer Ministry Leader: Phone: 580-9629 or e-mail her at ps511011@yahoo.com



Thank you for using your assigned, blue offering envelopes. If you need envelopes, just use sign-up sheets on tables in church foyers and your assigned envelopes will be waiting on you the following week.

Lottie Moon Goal-\$1,000-RTD-\$830

Don't forget to pick up your Christmas cards mailed through Lottie Moon "post office"-Thank You!

Bible Study

A new Discipleship Bible study begins on Tuesday, January 15th at 10 AM. Contact Gloria Steele (356-2506) if you haven't signed up yet to get your workbook. A \$10 donation is requested to help pay for workbook.



A big thank you to everyone participating in our Christmas Program. We are thankful that we can celebrate the birth of our Savior. Special thanks to parents for bringing kids to practice.



February news articles due in Church office by January 20th. Please put in wall pocket outside church office or e-mail to church at slbchurch@windstream.net. Ms. Betty

Let us know.....if you would like to be removed from our newsletter mailing list, please fill out this form and mail to SLBC or contact the Office at (803) 957-8285. Thank you!

Family name: _____

Address: _____



I am the New Year. I am an unspoiled page in your book of time. I am your next chance at the art of living. I am your opportunity to practice what you have learned about life during the last 12 months. All that you sought and didn't find is hidden in me, waiting for you to search for it but with more determination. All the good that you tried for and didn't achieve is mine to grant when you have fewer conflicting desires. All that you dreamed but didn't dare to do, all that you hoped but did not will, all the faith that you claimed but did not have -these slumber lightly, waiting to be awakened by the touch of a strong purpose. I am your opportunity to renew your allegiance to Him who said, "Behold, I make all things new." And as the Old Year slips away, he kindly with him takes the pages we have blurred and marred with failures and mistakes. The blighted hopes and needless fears are gone beyond recall. And ours once more the fair, clean page the New Year brings to all.



Old Farmer's Advice

Life is simpler when you plow around the stump.	A bumble bee is considerably faster than a John Deere tractor.
Words that soak into your ears are whispered.....not yelled.	Meanness don't just happen overnight.
Forgive your enemies; it messes up their heads.	Do not corner something that you know is meaner than you.
It don't take a very big person to carry a grudge.	You cannot unsay a cruel word.
Every path has a few puddles.	When you wallow with pigs, expect to get dirty.
The best sermons are lived, not preached.	Remember that silence is sometimes the best answer.
Don't judge folks by their relatives.	Always drink upstream from the herd.
If you find yourself in a hole, the first thing to do is stop diggin'.	Sometimes you get, and sometimes you get got.
Live simply, love generously, care deeply,	Speak kindly, and leave the rest to God.
Live a good and honorable life, then when you get older and think back, you'll enjoy it a second time.	
Most of the stuff people worry about; ain't never gonna happen anyway.	
The biggest troublemaker you'll probably ever have to deal with, watches you from the mirror every mornin'.	
Good judgment comes from experience, and a lotta that comes from bad judgment.	
Lettin' the cat outta the bag is a whole lot easier than puttin' it back in.	
If you get to thinkin' you're a person of some influence, try orderin' somebody else's dog around.	



We are requesting that you **PLEASE** do not bring food or drinks into either our smaller or larger Worship Center unless it's a planned meal in our new worship center. There is a lot of hard work that goes into cleaning the church and we are asking you to help keep God's House clean, reverent and nice looking, especially in our areas of worship. Please leave clean after using. Thanks for your help!!



In Christian Sympathy to the families in New Town, Connecticut; and also to the families of: Jeanette Cole; Ola Crapps; Martha Lou Fisher; Dewey Jeffcoat; Ray Padgett; Gene Simmons; and Liz Wingard. **BEYOND THE DOOR...**To better love God and Christ, our Friend, we pass thru death's door; but it's not the end. It's only the birth of something more--the eternal joy earth has prepared us for!



Our smaller worship center will be open and available for prayer beginning at 9 AM each Sunday morning. Please enter quietly and have your prayer time for the worship services, for the Pastor, Choir or for whatever is on your heart.



Thanks to everyone for all the wonderful Altar arrangements that graced our Worship Centers this past year. If you would like to honor or remember a loved one or recognize a special birthday or anniversary this year, just place your name by the Sunday on the flower calendar (on bulletin board). See Diane Conyers, Flower Ministry Leader, if you have any questions or call her at 359-0365.

You can't change the past, but you ruin a perfectly good present by worrying about the future.

CHEER UP! Birds also have bills, but they keep on singing!



Sunday Schedule

Morning Worship
10:30 AM
Sunday School
9:30 AM
Evening Worship
6:30 PM
AWANA Sept.-May
5:30 PM

Wednesday Schedule

7:00 - 7:45 PM Bible Study & Prayer Meeting
7:00 - 7:45 PM Team Kids
6:30 - 7:00 PM Youth Recreation
7:00 - 8:00 PM Youth Meeting
7:30 PM Celebration Choir Rehearsal

Tuesday Schedule

10:00 AM Discipleship Bible Study (Resumes Jan. 15)

Thursday Schedule

6:30 PM Outreach

On-Going Activities

3rd Saturday Men's Breakfast Fellowship 8:00 AM

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
 Start the New Year with Prayer	31 6 PM New Year's Eve Breakfast & Special singing by Levon Stack	1 Malachi Gomez <i>Mildred Shealy</i> <i>Happy New Year!</i>	2	3 Kenneth Mabe	4 Edith Bradley Janet Caulk Jerry Davis Sydney Stillson	5 Stephen Davis Olivia Ducker Mitch Shealy
6 Todd Leaphart, Jr. Betty Todd	7 Thomas Hundley Kyle Szuman	8 Jacob Sox	9 Sam Padgett	10 Laurel Beauchamp David Faulkner Alice Suarez	11 Susan Battles Stephanie Hedgepath Scarlett Watson	12 John Wilson III
13 Andy Bray Mary Wessinger	14 Howard Bunner, Jr Jennifer Carlyle Mark Mills Mollyann Watson Alice Wilson	15 Tyler Adams Cameron Hunter	16	17	18 Jennifer Stillson	19 8 AM Men's Breakfast
20 DayBreak Ministry Sanctity of Human Life	21 Gabby Campbell Dana Elliott Brenda Loftis	22 B J Atkinson Jeremiah McFarland	23 Jimmy Gooding	24	25	26 Patrick Bannister Cindy Bray Stephanie Jeffers Barbara Key
27 Arnie Kupcs Sharon Meador	28 Savannah Fulmer Christopher Mills Sara Smith Taylor Tynes Joe Wood	29 Gene Crumpton Daniel Smith	30 Taylor Davis	31 Chris Ross 11:30 AM Senior Adult Ministry Meeting Lunch		



“STUDENT STUFF”

AMANDA BANNISTER



Upcoming Activities:

- January 20th - Destination Unknown after the pm service** (there is no school the next day!!)
- January 27th - Meals at Finley Park**
We will be meeting at 3:30 to make bag meals and hot chocolate to take these to Finley Park to feed the homeless.
- February 1st-3rd - Converge, 11th grade through college age students**
What is Converge?

Converge is a weekend experience for college students and high school juniors and seniors. At Converge, students experience authentic worship, relevant speakers, and opportunities to respond to God. Students and leaders can expect a quality experience with lots of time for building community and having fun. You can also expect to hear clear and relevant teaching from God's Word, presented in a way that students and leaders alike will be challenged to move to a deeper level of commitment to Jesus Christ. Students, please sign up. The cost is \$35 per person plus the cost of food and gas.



Church Family,

The past few days have been a whirlwind. The Christmas “marathon” is finally over. As I sit and think about Christmas, I am reminded of all the gifts God gives...peace in times of turmoil, comfort in times of confusion and heart break, friends and family to lean on, God's Word to provide direction, but none of these still compare to Jesus and the forgiveness He gives. Jesus will forever and always be enough! Thank you so much as always for the support you show your youth ministry.

God Bless and Happy New Year,
Amanda Bannister