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Special Services in December

For the month of December we will have combined morning worship services. This will be a great opportunity for our entire church family to be together for this special season of the year. Each Sunday in December our service will begin at 10:30am.

Men's Breakfast

Sunday, December 4, 8:00am

Senior Adult Building

All of our men and boys are invited to join us for breakfast, fellowship, and a short time of devotion led by Randy Bradley, TRBA Director of Missions. We will meet at 8am in the Senior Adult Building. Please RSVP to Robbie by Wednesday November 30th to

Operation Christmas Child Workday

We have reserved 40 spots for volunteers at the Operation Christmas Child Processing Center in Charlotte, NC. We will go on Monday, December 5 and work from 10:00am-2:00pm. Meet at the church at 7:30 and we will leave by 7:45 and travel on the church bus. Cost is \$3 per person for gas. Sign up in the Welcome Center or call the church office. All volunteers must be at least 13 years of age.

Sanctuary Decoration Memorial Gifts

Each year we give you the opportunity to give a \$12 donation "in honor" or "in memory" of a loved one. Through these donations we are able to refurbish many of our decorations. These gifts will be listed in a special edition of "Reflections." The deadline to make a donation is Sunday, December 18.



Get your tickets Sunday in the Welcome Center.

Thursday, December 8, 7pm

Friday, December 9, 7pm

Saturday, December 10, 4pm

Sunday, December 11, 4pm

Joseph Series Celebration

Please make plans to join us for our Joseph Series Celebration this Sunday night in the Senior Adult Building at 6pm. This will be a time to combine our Sunday night worship service with our Sunday night small groups for fellowship and celebration. Please bring finger foods and/or a dessert to share. We will eat, sing, fellowship and hear testimonies! There will also be a time to review and discuss our 2017 budget.

Called Church Conferences

2017 Proposed Budget Discussion

Sunday, November 27, 6:00pm.

Vote on the proposed budget Sunday, December 4 during the morning worship service.

Christmas Greeters & Parking Assistants Needed

Volunteer Meeting this Sunday at 5pm in the Chapel

We need volunteers to help as Greeters & Parking Assistants for our Christmas Musical, "What a Glorious Night!". The dates of the musical are December 8 & 9 (Thursday & Friday) at 7pm, and December 10 & 11 (Saturday & Sunday) at 4pm. We will be having a **volunteer meeting this Sunday, November 27th at 5pm in the Chapel** for all who are interested in helping. We will schedule a rotation of volunteers for each night, based on your availability. All are welcome to help! If you have any questions, please email Trevor Coleman at TColeman@bereafbc.com.

<u>Description</u>	<u>Proposed 2017 Budget</u>	<u>2016 Budget</u>
Avaya	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,360.00
Computer ACS	\$ 3,600.00	\$ 3,600.00
All Copier Contracts	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00
Addressing System	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 900.00
Utilities	\$ 111,200.00	\$ 116,900.00
Transportation	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 7,500.00
Insurance	\$ 57,000.00	\$ 55,000.00
County Taxes	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
Contingency	\$ 5,725.00	\$ 4,100.00
Computer	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00
New Equipment	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
Computer Equipment and Software	\$ 5,070.00	\$ 4,240.00
Cleaning and Supplies	\$ 7,650.00	\$ 6,600.00
Repair and Maintenance	\$ 31,500.00	\$ 31,300.00
Lawn Care	\$ 17,000.00	\$ 17,000.00
TOTAL	\$ 1,353,255.76	\$ 1,291,427.97

2017 Annual Budget Total: \$1,353,255.76

2017 Weekly Budget Requirement: \$ 26,024.15

**Week of Prayer for International Missions
December 4-11**



Our Goal for the Lottie Moon Offering: \$20,000

2017 Ministry Support Budget Proposal

The Proposed 2017 Church Budget will be presented and discussed Sunday, November 27 at 6:00 p.m. in the Senior Adult Building. We will vote, without further discussion, on the adoption of the proposed budget on December 4, in the morning worship service.

<u>Description</u>	<u>Proposed 2017 Budget</u>	<u>2016 Budget</u>
Administrators Fund	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
Cooperative Program	\$ 48,750.00	\$ 37,969.32
Three Rivers Baptist Association	\$ 22,148.77	\$ 18,984.66
Community Missions	\$ 5,500.00	\$ 5,500.00
CD Ministries	\$ 900.00	\$ 900.00
Reaching Center	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 2,500.00
Promotion/Advertising	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
Ladies Ministries	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Men's Ministries	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Kentucky Missions	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
International Missions	\$ 1,700.00	\$ 1,250.00
Disciples in Action	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00
Good News Club	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
Sunday School	\$ 15,150.00	\$ 14,375.00
Discipleship Training	\$ 850.00	\$ 760.00
WMU	\$ 400.00	\$ 200.00
G.A.'s	\$ 1,525.00	\$ 1,525.00
Mission Friends	\$ 595.00	\$ 570.00
R.A.'s	\$ 1,425.00	\$ 1,275.00
Music - Encounter/Cornerstone Services	\$ 23,7080.00	\$ 26,650.00
Music	\$ 1,120.00	\$ 1,370.00
Music - Adult Choir	\$ 4,530.00	\$ 3,520.00
Music - Youth Choir	\$ 1200.00	\$ 500.00
Music - Children's Choir	\$ 1,740.00	\$ 1,740.00
Music - Christmas Program	\$ 10,850.00	\$ 4570.00
Senior Adult Trips	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00
Friendship Group	\$ 1000.00	\$ 500.00
Student Activities	\$ 32,600.00	\$ 23,750.00
Church Camp	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 6,500.00
Children's Ministry	\$ 5,080.00	\$ 4,335.00
College Missions	\$ 3,350.00	\$ 3,600.00
Berea House	\$ 4,550.00	\$ 5,345.00
Intercessory Prayer Room	\$ 2,650.00	\$ 2,500.00
Revival Pulpit Supply	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
Vacation Bible School	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 1,700.00
Fellowship Wednesday Nights	\$ 3,500.00	2,000.00
Fellowship Recreation	\$ 5,750.00	\$ 5,450.00
Outreach Ministries	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 600.00
Staff Expenses	\$ 782,693.99	\$ 752,693.99
Special Nursery Services	\$ 2,300.00	\$ 2,050.00
Mileage	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,500.00
Pastor Funds	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
Gift Fund	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Printing	\$ 9,500.00	\$ 9,500.00
Special Programs	\$ 14,775.00	\$ 13,825.00
General Supplies	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,500.00
Postage	\$ 8,650.00	\$ 9,050.00
Office Supplies	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 3,500.00
Equipment	\$ 1,750.00	\$ 1,750.00
Flowers	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Envelopes	\$ 6,850.00	\$ 6,850.00
Audit Expense	\$ 5,500.00	\$ 5,500.00
Security Systems	\$ 2,520.00	\$ 2,520.00



Grades 1-5 Musical
Sunday, December 4, 6:00pm

Christmas Eve Family Ministry

For over 30 years our church has been providing gifts and food to families in need for Christmas. These gifts and food are delivered to each family's home by volunteers from our church on Christmas Eve. We plan to help as many families as possible, but we will be limited to how many we can help by the donations we have. The average family costs \$300 to supply a nice Christmas meal and presents for the children. Most of the gifts are made up of shoes, pants, winter coats and a few toys. We need donations and sponsors! If you would be willing to make a donation or even completely sponsor an entire family we need to know by **Sunday, December 4** so that we can make a clear commitment to the families we can help. Please mark your gifts as Christmas Eve Ministry. If you have any questions, please contact Mike Parker at mparker@bereafbc.org, or 246-1921.

Angel Tree Gifts

This year our church has partnered with the Salvation Army to help make Christmas a little brighter for children in the Berea area. Please follow the instructions below.

- Take a card from one of the trees in the Welcome Center, Senior Adult Building or breezeway.
- Purchase 2 or more **new** items from your child's list.
- Do **not** wrap your gifts.
- **It is most important that you put the code beginning with GVL and number along with the child's name on each gift.**
- Return gifts to the church no later than Thursday, December 8.
- Pray for your child and their family situation.

Financial Report
Sunday, November 20, 2016

Total Annual Budget.....\$1,291,427.97
 Budgeted Gifts Rec'd 11-20....\$20,964.60
 Legacy Gifts.....\$517.00
 Designated/Reimbursement.....\$8,850.00
 Total Deposit.....\$30,331.60

Attendance

Sunday Morning Services.....519

Memorial Gifts

Gifts have been given in memory of:

Vera Vaughn by:

- Artie and Dick Hughes
- Friends/Neighbors of Lions Club Rd.
- Mary and Ed Pool
- Betty and Ernest Reece
- Elizabeth Babb
- Wade Hampton High School
- I.W. and Margaret Mathis
- Freddie and Cathy Nixon
- Janie and Lenardt Lathem
- Marjorie and Frank Wilkie
- Berea Public Service District

Ted Dreibrodt by:

- Janet and Randy Blair
- Betty and Ernest Reece

John Hall by:

- Berea First Baptist Church Choir
- Janet and Randy Blair
- Betty and Ernest Reece

Tom Duvall by:

- Doug Moody S.S. Class

November Mission Project
Christmas Packets for Prisoners
 A detailed information sheet is available in the Welcome Center.

In Need of Prayer?

- Complete the Pew Prayer Request forms and place in offering plate.
- Call (864) 246-9182, ext. 1 and leave a message.
- Email to prayerrequest@bereafbc.org

Post-Election Prayer

Now that the elections are over, what do we do and how should we pray? Richard Blackaby shared some great insight and encouragement in an article that he wrote titled "The Day After." You may pick up a copy in the Prayer Ministry File at the Welcome Center desk or go to Blackaby.org and click on President's Blog. Let's continue praying just as diligently after the elections as we did before, believing that God's redemptive plan will prevail!

Opportunities

SUNDAY

8:15am Encounter Service
 9:30am Sunday School
 10:30am Cornerstone Service
 6:00pm Evening Service
 TeamKID
 Youth

WEDNESDAY

5:15-6:30pm Supper
 6:00pm Praying @ the Dock
 6:00-6:45pm Preschool Choir
 6:30-7:30pm 1st-5th Grade Choir
 Bible Study (Sanctuary)
 Student Worship
 6:45-7:30pm Preschool Mission Friends
 Grades 1-5 G.A.'s
 Grades 1-5 R.A.'s
 7:35-9:00pm Worship Choir

THURSDAY

7:00am Men's Prayer Group

Wednesday Night Supper

Reservation deadline is Monday @ 11am.

Menu for November 30

Adults and Children:

- Stew Meat, White Rice, Turnip Greens, Pinto Beans, Cornbread, Rolls.
- Alternative: PBJ Sandwich, Chips, Fruit

Lottie Moon Tea

Our 4th annual Lottie Moon Tea was a great success and we received \$1,300.00 for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. Many thanks to our table hostesses who invited friends and family to sit at tables that represented countries where many international missionaries are serving. Please continue to pray for these missionaries as they serve each day and share the love of Jesus around the world.



Are you Seeking to Serve in missions right here at home? We have a great missions opportunity just around the corner here at BFBC. On **Saturday, December 3rd (10:30am - 1:30pm)**, we will be hosting the "Down Syndrome Family Alliance Christmas Party" at our church. We need missions minded workers to come and serve in lots of different ways at this event. Will you join us in this missions opportunity?