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Reflections

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Called Church Conference

Sunday, November 25, 6:00 pm

**Christmas Decoration
Memorial Gifts**

Again this year we want to 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 Christmas decorations. These gifts will be listed in a special edition of "Reflections." The deadline to make a donation is Sunday, December 16.

Hands of Kindness

Thank you to everyone who worked, attended, and supported the BBQ supper and Joyful Sound concert to raise money for the Hands of Kindness Children's Ministry. Your generosity brought us much closer to reaching our goal to provide a security fence for our children's dormitory.

Mark Your Calendar!

Lottie Moon Tea

Saturday, January 26

This Sunday at Berea First Baptist Church

8:15am - Encounter Service

9:30am - Bible Study

10:30am - Cornerstone Service

6:00pm - Evening Service

NEW SCHEDULE BEGINS NEXT SUNDAY



We will come together in ONE SERVICE beginning Dec. 2nd.

9am
Bible Study Groups
10:15am
Worship Service

Operation Christmas Child Workday

Thursday, December 6

OCC Processing Center, Charlotte, NC

Leave church at 7:45 am. Work from 10:00 am-2:00 pm.

Cost: \$3 (to cover gas for church bus)

All volunteers must be at least 13. Sign up in Welcome Center or call 246-1921.

Angel Tree Ministry

This is our fifth year to partner with the Salvation Army in the Angel Tree Ministry. Many of our Reaching Center families have qualified for assistance during the Christmas season. The Salvation Army has supplied us with the names of these children, their ages and Christmas wishes. As an individual, family or group, please consider taking a child's name and helping to bring joy into their lives on Christmas morning. The Angel trees are displayed in the Senior Adult Building, the Welcome Center, and the Breezeway. The new unwrapped gifts should have the children's name and GVL identification number on each gift.

They are due no later than Sunday, December 9. Not only will these children benefit from your generosity of gifts but they will benefit from the prayer support of our church family for their families and their situations. Thank you in advance for your continued support for our neighbors and our community.



The Christmas Season at BFBC

Sunday, December 2, 6:00 pm

Children's Christmas Program

Saturday, December 8

Downs Syndrome Family
Alliance Christmas Party

Friday, December 14, 7:00 pm

"The Name Like No Other"

Saturday, December 15, 4:00 pm

"The Name Like No Other"

Sunday, December 16, 10:15 am

"The Name Like No Other"

* No Sunday School *

Sunday, December 16, 4:00 pm

"The Name Like No Other"

Sunday, December 23

Christmas Under the Tree

Sunday School at 9:00 am
Morning Worship at 10:15 am

Monday, December 24

Christmas Eve Needy Family Ministry

Monday, December 24

Christmas Eve Service at 6:00 pm
Christmas Eve Service at 11:15 pm

Sunday, December 30

Breakfast

Sunday School at 9:00 am
Morning Worship at 10:15 am
No Evening Service

Christmas Eve Family Ministry

This year our church has received numerous calls hoping for help with food and gifts during the Christmas season. We plan to help as many families as possible, but we are limited to how many we can help by the donations we receive. 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 financial donation or even completely sponsor an entire family we need to know by **Sunday, Dec. 2** so that we can make a clear commitment to the families we can help. Please mark your gifts as Christmas Eve Ministry. For more info contact Mike Parker at 246-1921 or mparker@bereafbc.org,

Financial Report

Sunday, November 18, 2018

Total Annual Budget.....\$1,356,287.67
Budgeted Gifts Rec'd 11-18.....\$21,142.16
Legacy Gifts.....\$304.00
Designated/Reimbursement.....\$7,851.00
Total Deposit.....\$29,297.16

Attendance

Sunday Morning Services.....648

Sympathy

Sympathy is extended to:

The family of Gertrude Campbell.

Sally Weigle in the death of her
nephew, Ronnie Peterson.

Memorial Gifts

Gifts have been given in memory of:

Gertrude Campbell by:
Bob and Kay Dobbins
Loyalty Sunday School Class
Guy and Betty Davis
Kenneth and Pat Hipp
Walter and Evelyn Watson
Cheryl Taylor
Jim and Diane Harrill
Jim and Sara Connor
Nan Herring Group
Gerald and Pat Knecht
Kevin and Elaine Styles
Helen Felder
Sam and Susan Childers
Mac and Batsie Styles
Harold and Pat Batson

Bruce Turner by:

Bob and Kay Dobbins

Evelyn Linder by:

Bob and Kay Dobbins
Walter and Evelyn Watson
Jim and Sara Connor
Gerald and Pat Knecht
Kevin and Elaine Styles
Mac and Batsie Styles
Sam and Susan Childers
Harold and Pat Batson

Andrew Weaver by:

Joe and Gwen Williams
Jim and Diane Harrill

Paul Peterson by:

Peggy Peterson

Opportunities

SUNDAY

8:15 am
9:30 am
10:30 am
6:00 pm

Encounter Service
Sunday School
Cornerstone Service
Evening Service
TeamKid, Students

WEDNESDAY

5:15-6:30 pm
6:00-6:45 pm

Supper
Preschool Choir
1st-5th Grade Choir
Prayer Service
Student Worship
Preschool Mission Friends
Grades 1-5 G.A.'s
Grades 1-5 R.A.'s
Worship Choir

6:30-7:30 pm

6:45-7:30 pm

7:35-9:00 pm

THURSDAY

7:00 am

Men's Prayer Group

November Mission Project

Christmas Packets for Prisoners

A detailed list of items is
available in the Welcome Center.

Wednesday Night Supper Menus

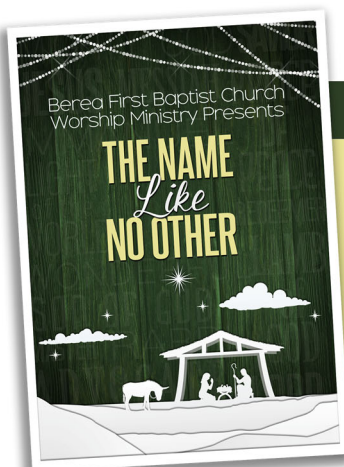
November 28: Beef Stew, Rice,

Pinto Beans, Fried Okra, Cornbread
or Chick-fil-a Sandwich or 8 nuggets.

Remember that all reservations must be
changed by 11:00 am on Mondays.

Lottie Moon Post Office

Send Christmas cards to your Sunday
School class members, fellow choir
members, grandparents, parents or
special BFBC friends through our Lottie
Moon Post Office. The post office will be
open in the Welcome Center beginning
December 2 and then each Sunday in
December. Plan to drop off your cards
that you have labeled with a first and last
name, pay the postage to the Lottie Moon
Christmas Offering, and leave the rest to
us. Our RA's and GA's will deliver the
cards to Sunday School classes and the
cards will be ready for you to pick up each
Sunday beginning December 9. What a
great way to spread some "Christmas
Cheer" and help us reach our goal for the
Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.



TICKETS ARE STILL AVAILABLE

Friday December 14 at 7:00 pm

Saturday, December 15 at 4:00 pm

Sunday, December 16 at 10:15 am
(Sunday Morning Service - No Ticket Required)

Sunday, December 16 at 4:00 pm

Featuring the Living Christmas Tree

2019 Ministry Support Budget Proposal

The Proposed 2019 Church Budget will be presented and discussed Sunday, November 25 at 6:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.
We will vote, without further discussion, on the adoption of the proposed budget on December 2, in the morning worship service.

<u>Description</u>	<u>Proposed 2019 Budget</u>	<u>2018 Budget</u>
Administrators Fund	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
Cooperative Program	\$ 47,495.00	\$ 43,733.27
Three Rivers Baptist Association	\$ 27,140.45	\$ 23,548.69
Community Missions	\$ 5,500.00	\$ 5,500.00
CD Ministries	\$ 900.00	\$ 900.00
Reaching Center	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
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	\$ 2,300.00	\$ 2,300.00
Disciples in Action	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00
Good News Club	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
Sunday School	\$ 15,150.00	\$ 15,150.00
Discipleship Training	\$ 850.00	\$ 850.00
WMU	\$ 475.00	\$ 475.00
G.A.'s	\$ 1,525.00	\$ 1,525.00
Mission Friends	\$ 620.00	\$ 595.00
R.A.'s	\$ 1,425.00	\$ 1,425.00
Music - Encounter/Cornerstone Services	\$ 27,800.00	\$ 25,600.00
Music	\$ 2,050.00	\$ 1,550.00
Music - Adult Choir	\$ 4,530.00	\$ 4,530.00
Music - Youth Choir	\$ 750.00	\$ 950.00
Music - Children's Choir	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,740.00
Music - Christmas Program	\$ 9,700.00	\$ 9,700.00
Senior Adult Trips	\$ 600.00	\$ 750.00
Friendship Group	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Student Activities	\$ 40,450.00	\$ 34,700.00
Church Camp	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 6,500.00
Children's Ministry	\$ 5,805.00	\$ 5,355.00
College Missions	\$ 4,350.00	\$ 3,850.00
Berea House	\$ 5,025.00	\$ 5,025.00
Prayer Ministry	\$ 3,725.00	\$ 3,475.00
Revival Pulpit Supply	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
Vacation Bible School	\$ 1,900.00	\$ 1,900.00
Fellowship Wednesday Nights	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,500.00
Fellowship Recreation	\$ 6,350.00	\$ 5,750.00
Outreach Ministries	\$ 1,260.00	\$ 1,260.00
Staff Expenses	\$ 779,166.31	\$ 748,345.71
Special Nursery Services	\$ 3,020.00	\$ 2,300.00
Mileage	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 6,500.00
Pastor Funds	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
Gift Fund	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Printing	\$ 11,500.00	\$ 11,500.00
Special Programs	\$ 15,750.00	\$ 14,925.00
General Supplies	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
Postage	\$ 8,700.00	\$ 8,700.00
Office Supplies	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,500.00
Equipment	\$ 1,750.00	\$ 1,750.00
Flowers	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Envelopes	\$ 6,200.00	\$ 6,850.00
Audit Expense	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 7,000.00
Security Systems	\$ 2,820.00	\$ 2,820.00

<u>Description</u>	<u>Proposed 2019 Budget</u>	<u>2018 Budget</u>
Computer ACS	\$ 6,600.00	\$ 3,600.00
All Copier Contracts	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00
Addressing System	\$ 900.00	\$ 1,100.00
Utilities	\$ 110,850.00	\$ 108,600.00
Transportation	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00
Insurance	\$ 52,300.00	\$ 50,500.00
County Taxes	\$ 870.00	\$ 845.00
Contingency	\$ 7,350.00	\$ 6,725.00
Computer	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00
New Equipment	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
Computer Equipment and Software	\$ 5,275.00	\$ 5,225.00
Cleaning and Supplies	\$ 7,050.00	\$ 6,850.00
Jan Pro Cleaning Service	\$ 36,000.00	\$ 36,000.00
Repair and Maintenance	\$ 35,500.00	\$ 35,500.00
Lawn Care	\$ 19,000.00	\$ 17,000.00
Security Support	\$ 14,600.00	\$ 0.00
TOTAL	\$ 1,429,626.76	\$ 1,357,022.67

2019 Annual Budget Total: \$1,429,626.76

2019 Weekly Budget Requirement: \$ 27,492.82

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**Week of Prayer for International Missions
December 2-9**

Our goal for Lottie Moon Christmas Offering: \$20,000