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THE LIGHT

FORK BAPTIST CHURCH



White Christmas Ingathering



Next Sunday 8:30 & 11:00 A.M. Worship Bring Your Gifts Before the Manger

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SENIOR PASTOR NOTES!

WE CONTINUE TO BE IN AWE........at how the LORD continues to reveal Himself to us through special times of worship. Last Sunday night at our Hanging of the Greens service was just another confirmation of when God's people come together in humble worship He will show up as well and through the testimonies of many that were here HE SHOWED UP! Special thanks goes to our Christmas Committee headed by *Mrs. Sherrie Ridenhour* for their hard work and dedication in helping us set the proper atmosphere for praise and worship. Now let's continue with many wonderful times of worship and praise as we celebrate Jesus becoming one of us. Remember our unique Christmas Greeting? MERRY CHRISTMASIT'S A BOY!

THIS SUNDAY NIGHT our Worship Choir under the direction of **Rev. Steve Dowd** will present "Come Let Us Adore". This will be a special time for all of to be able to share in this special time of worship. Invite friends and neighbors as we come to together to experience all the sights and sounds of the true meaning of Christmas.

AS WE APPROACH THE END....... of yet another great year serving our Lord here at Fork, I am truly rejoicing in all that the Lord has done and what He allows us as a church family to experience together. I want to simply encourage each of us to continue in that faithfulness in our attendance and in our giving. Please pray and seek the Lord's guidance over the next three Sundays and let's do we can to give over and above what we have been giving so we can make sure we will be able to fulfill all the important ministries that needs to be supported during 2018. Let's each of us live out Malachi 3:10 "Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the LORD Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it."

NEXT SUNDAY MORNING we will have our 8th annual White Christmas observance for Lottie Moon. As a church family we will together bring our offerings to the manger and ask God to bless our sacrificial giving so that many will come to a personal relationship with the Lord, Jesus Christ. Let's make this one our best yet by surpassing our \$16,500 goal for the glory of our Lord.

HOPE TO SEE YOU SUNDAYas we gain great insights from God's word as we "Feast On Christmas."

For HIS Kingdom Only,

Pastor Robert



YOUTH MINISTRY & OTHER NEWS

2018 Mission Trip
Informational Meeting
For High School Students
& Their Parents
December 17
4:30 P.M.
Youth Room



Youth Ugly Christmas Sweater Party December 16 5:30 P.M. Meet in Fellowship Hall Bring a \$5-10 gift





Christmas Caroling

December 20
6:00 P.M.

Meet in Fellowship Hall

Christmas Cantata Special Practice Saturday 9:00 A.M. Sanctuary



This year in lieu of poinsettias we suggest giving in memory or honor of your loved ones to the Lottie Moon Offering.



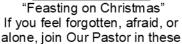
Staff Christmas Luncheon
December 11
11:30 A.M.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY SERIES 7:00 P.M. ~ Fellowship Hall "Big God, Small Me: How to Right Size Everything"



A new Furnace Fund
has been set up in order to
replace our old oil furnace if you
would like to contribute please
indicate on your offering envelope.

CHRISTMAS SERMON SERIES Continues





four messages on how to feast on the fullness found in knowing Jesus Christ. Join our church family as we "feast" on

Lottie Moon Christmas Offering "Eternal Impact"

Our Goal \$16,500.00

Given to Date **\$2,156.00**Needed to Reach Goal **\$14,344.00**



UPCOMING EVENTS!

NURSERY SCHEDULE

This Sunday, December 10

8:30 A.M. SERVICE -Stan & Wendy Turner 11:00 A.M. SERVICE

Nursery 1- Robbie & Barbara Lanier Nursery 2-Keith & Carey Mason

S.S. Nursery - Becky Jones

Next Sunday December 17 8:30 A.M. SERVICE – Dirk & Iris Apt 11:00 A.M. SERVICE

Nursery 1- Michael & Sherry Jaycocks Nursery 2 - Jim & Angela Eberly

S.S. Nursery - Kim & Paula Seaford

Coordinators

8:30 a.m.-Brittney Lanning 941-7162/Bryn Taylor 817-1371 11:00 a.m. -Paula Tkach 978-4797/

Becky Jones 919-710-1982

CHILDREN'S CHURCH SCHEDULE

This Sunday, Dec. 10- Michael & Sherry Jaycocks Next Sunday, Dec. 17- James & Tanya Hendrix Coordinator ~ Holly Miller 940-4117



Preschool & Children's Christmas Program Next Sunday 5:30 P.M.

Sanctuary Followed by Special Guest & Christmas Fellowship

Bring Your Favorite Snack/Finger Food



Children's Choir Dress Rehearsal December 16 10:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m.

R.A. Post Office Continues

Start Gathering your Christmas Cards. Give to Lottie Moon instead of buying stamps.



Office Closed December 25 & 26

Preschool Choir Practice This Sunday 5:00-5:30 P.M.





Children's Choir This Sunday 4:30-5:30 P.M.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR 2017

To receive credit on your contribution statement for 2017, all contributions must be in the Church Office by, December 31. Thank you for your faithfulness to the programs and ministries of Fork Baptist Church and its on going ministries during the year of 2017.



Ladies 2 Christmas Party December 12 11:00 A.M.- 3:00 P.M. Fellowship Hall

Wednesday Night Supper 6:00 P.M.~ Fellowship Hall

Dec. 13– Chicken pie, green beans, creamed potatoes, applesauce, salad, bread & dessert



COME WORSHIP WITH US

Come Worship With Us

This Sunday, December 10 Advent II – Candle of 8:30 & 11:00 A.M.

"Filled With Peace When I Feel the Pressure"

Luke 2:1-14

By Our Pastor

6:00 P.M.

Fork Baptist Worship Choir Presents "Come Let Us Adore"

Next Sunday, December 17 White Christmas Ingathering Advent III- Candle of Joy 8:30 & 11:00 A.M.

"Filled With Joy Even When I Feel Forgotten" Luke 1:5-25 By Our Pastor

5:30 P.M. (note special time)

Preschool & Children's Program Followed by Special Guest & Fellowship



Visitors

Jack & Susan Cox 2153 Wilson Farm Greensville, NC 27858



Andy & Shannon Collins 971 Markland Rd. Advance, NC 27006

Jason & Crystal Carter 169 Marbrook Dr. Mocksville, NC 27028



Advent Families

Advent II ~ December 10 "Candle of Peace"

8:30 A.M.

Donald & Dorothy Jones

Donald Joined Fork January 1,1955 by Statement Dorothy Joined Fork May 28, 1954 By Letter

11:00 A.M.

Steve & Sherrie Ridenhour

Steve Joined Fork October 10,1976 By Letter Sherrie Joined Fork June 5, 1966 By Statement

Advent III- December 17

"Candle of Joy" 8:30 A.M.

Tony & Toni Moore

Tony Joined Fork January 1, 1969 By Statement Toni Joined Fork April 14, 1963 By Profession of Faith & Baptism

11:00 A.M.

Mike & Melody Morton

Mike & Melody Joined Fork January 31, 1981 By Letter

Christmas Eve Candlelight Lord's Supper Service 5:00 P.M.



Spiritual Statistics

Sunday, November 26

S. S. Attendance 142 8:30 a.m. Worship Attendance 108 11:00 a.m. Worship Attendance 133 TOTAL IN MORNING WORSHIP 241

Financial Statistics

Week of November 26

Weekly Budget Receipts \$6,796.00 Weekly Budget Needs \$8,156.00 Deficit -\$1,360.00

Weekly Designated Funds

Lottie Moon \$130.00 Total Tithes & Offerings \$6,926.00

Sunday, December 3

S. S. Attendance 162 84 8:30 a.m. Worship Attendance 11:00 a.m. Worship Attendance 115 TOTAL IN MORNING WORSHIP 199

Financial Statistics

Week of December 3

Weekly Budget Receipts \$11,216.50 Weekly Budget Needs \$8,156.00 Surplus +\$3,060.50

Weekly Designated Funds

Furnace Fund \$105.00 Lottie Moon \$2,026.00 Seniors \$25.00 Homebound \$100.00 Total Tithes & Offerings \$13,472.50

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