

December 2021







Wednesday, Dec. 22 Caroling for all ages 5:00pm Vegetable Soup and Grilled Cheese Sandwich & Christmas goodies and hot chocolate after caroling.

Web Site: www.cbcprattville.org Church Phone: (334) 365-0231 Church Office Hours: Mon-Thurs: 8:00am-4:00pm Friday: Closed



Service Friday, Dec. 24 4:00pm

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**Sunday Schedule** 8:45am Sunday School **10:00am Morning Worship Preschool & Children's Church Nursery Provided** Mon. & Thurs., Pickleball, 6:00pm

Wednesdays 5:00pm: Supper 6:00: Children on Missions & Mission Friends, CBSM, & Bible Study/Prayer Meeting <u>7:00</u>: Choir Practice



### Friday, December 3

- 7:00pm Christmas Parade Saturday, December 4
- 10:00am Adult Choir & • Children's Choir Dress Rehearsal for musical

### Sunday, December 5

- 6:00 Adult Choir Musical • "Behold the Savior" **Tuesday, December 7**
- 6:30pm Y@H Game Night • **Thursday, December 9**
- 6:30pm WEM Preschool • Christmas Program

## Friday, December 10

Candy Cane Market set up • Saturday, December 11

9:00am-3:00pm • Candy Cane Market Sunday, December 12

6:00pm Children's Christmas ٠ Pajama Party

Wednesday, December 15

- Last Wednesday night of regular • activities for the year
- 6:00pm CBSM Christmas Party . Sunday, December 19
- 6:00pm Christmas at Camellia • No other evening activities

### Wednesday, December 22

- 5:00pm Vegetable Soup •
- 6:00pm Caroling (plus Christmas goodies & hot chocolate after caroling)
- No other evening activities

Friday, December 24

4:00pm Christmas Eve Service Dec. 23, 24, 27, & Jan. 3

Church Office closed • Sunday, December 26

No evening activities

Wednesday, December 29

• No evening activities



Profession of Faith: Samuel Taylor

Remember in order for your contribution to count in the current vear. it must be turned into the office before Thur., December 30 or postmarked by December 31.



for International Missions

Our Goal: \$20.000 Received: 7.687 To reach goal: \$12,313

Special envelopes are available in the pew racks and the vestibule of the church. You may give your Lottie Moon Offering until the end of January 2022.

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# PRATTVILLE

# Christmas PARADE Friday, December 3rd

Everyone planning to ride the Christmas float must sign up by Wed., Dec 1st so that we can make sure we have a seat for you! The SIGN UP sheet is at the CLC desk. Parents must ride with their preschoolers. All float riders are to bring a bag of individually wrapped candy to toss. All riders must be on the float by 6:00pm. The parade begins at 7:00pm. Float section and location will be provided to parents. If you would like to help build the Christmas float, please contact Jon Easterling (334)300-2997 or Mrs. Janet (334) 462-8867. Christmas Decorations are needed for the Christmas float (Trees, wreaths, boughs, lights, etc. can be left at the CLC desk by Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup>)



Look for the signs leading you to our Christmas Card Exchange Boxes (in the hall) for sharing Christmas cards with those who attend Camellia. A shut in list is available by the boxes, so you may send them a card.

A donation box is located near the card exchange boxes for you to donate to the Lottie Moon Offering the amount you would normally spend for postage.

Remember to sign up for our Prayer Chain Text! Message:

To sign up for urgent prayer requests for church members and immediate family, send a text to 81010 with the message @201cbc. If you need help signing up, call the Church Office, (365-0231, press "1").

# Livestream

Go to cbcprattville.org & click on "Watch Live" or go to youtube.com/camelliabaptistchurchprattville to watch our Sunday Morning Worship Service and/or Wednesday Night Bible Study

### Message from our **Associate Pastor of Music & Ministries**



Christmas, as the song says, is "the most Christmas wonderful time of the year!" As Christians, we celebrate the incarnation of the Lord Jesus Christ. We celebrate God choosing to become

man and dwelling among us. The thought of God descending from heaven should cause us to rejoice!

As Southern Baptists, Christmas is also the time of year when we turn our attention to international missions. The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering is taken up every Christmas to support our IMB missionaries around the world as they strive to take the gospel to all nations. But why do we as Southern Baptist turn our attention to missions during the Christmas season? Furthermore, why do we give to missions and send missionaries period?

Certainly, Jesus directly commands us in Matthew 28:19 to "go therefore and make disciples of all nations...". But another reason we go, send, and give is because of the example of God, Himself. God left the comforts & glory of heaven to come to us and save us from our sin. He is the first missionary and therefore our example. So, this Christmas I challenge you to not only celebrate the Christ child being born, but celebrate a missional God who came to rescue us from our sin!

For His Glory, Peyton

Camellia Baptist Student Ministry/College & Career bturner@cbcprattville.org 334-730-3968 (call or text)

CBSM "The Well" Wednesday Nights at 6:00

**CBSM Christmas Partv** Wednesday, December 15, 6:00-7:00pm "Christmas Open"

**CBSM Winter Conference** Strength to Stand Winter Conference January 15-17, 2022 in Gatlinburg, Tennessee

As always, we are tremendously thankful for the constant prayers and support given to our Student Ministry each and every day. May God bless you during this Christmas season and we pray that God will continue to work in the lives of our students and the CBSM!



#### Candy Cane Market Saturday, Dec 11' 9am – 3pm, CLC

You are invited to come do your Christmas shopping with 56 attending vendors — great gifts for family, teachers, friends, & co-workers! Admission is free with a non-perishable food item for the Autauga Interfaith Care Center.

<u>Please note:</u> Our Women's Ministry Team needs extra hands-on help Sat., Dec. 11th with extra greeters and with customers and vendors as needed. Please Call Mrs. Janet or the church office if you can help the entire time 8:30am-3:00pm or just a couple of hours. Thank you so much!

## Janet Eikenberry Camellia Kids jeikenberry@cbcprattville.org

# Children's Christmas Pajama Party

Sunday, Dec 12, 6:00 pm - 7:00pm (for all children up to 6th grade) Invite your friends and join us as we celebrate Jesus' birthday!



Wear your pajamas and bring a \$5 wrapped gift to exchange. Parents - Please put age and for a "girl" or "boy" on the tag.

*Come and enjoy* home-made jumbo cinnamon rolls, hot chocolate, games and activities to celebrate Jesus' birthday.

### Children In Action, Missions Friends, and **AWANA Clubbers Mission Project**

We are continuing to collect non-perishable food items through December 16<sup>th</sup>. All items will be donated to the Autauga Interfaith Care Center to feed families during Christmas. We would like to invite our church family to participate in helping us with our mission project. Food collection containers are located at the doors in each building.

# **December News & Activities**

Friday, Dec 3rd - Prattville Christmas Parade You must be signed up to ride the Christmas float. Sign up sheet is at the CLC desk- Ask Mrs. Janet for more info.

We will not have regular AWANA Club meeting in December due to Christmas activities.

Sunday, Dec 5th – No AWANA. 6:00pm Camellia Christmas Program

Sunday, Dec 12th – 6:00pm Children's Christmas Pajama Party—Wear your pajamas and bring a \$5 wrapped gift. Please put age & for girl or boy. NO AWANA

Sunday, Dec 19th – NO AWANA 6:00pm Christmas at Camellia



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**Return Service Requested** 

### **Ministerial Staff**

Pastor Rev. James Taylor 270-213-0536

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Director of Children's Ministry/ CLC Director Janet Eikenberry 334-462-8867

Student Ministries Director Blake Turner 334-730-3968

Director of W.E.M. Jessica Senn 334-365-5693

### Support Staff

Church Secretary: Charlotte McGuire

Financial Secretary: B.J. Lazenby

### Memory Verse for December: Hebrews 2:1 Therefore we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard, lest we drift away from it.

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# Address Label

# **GREAT GIFT: "Heavenly Delights" Cookbook**

The book contains 575 recipes in a three ring binder. It is professionally done & is a <u>fundraiser</u> for Camellia Baptist Women's Ministry. \$25 each. Check with Janet, Georgia, or the church office to get yours.

# <u>A word from our Pastor</u>

As most of you know, our goal for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering is \$20,000. That is \$5,000 more than last year's goal, but \$3,000 less than what you actually gave! As of November 24th, you have already given \$7,687. We are well on our way of surpassing our goal. If each family in our church averages giving \$135, we will give beyond \$20,000.

I do want to remind you that our goal is never a number. Our goal is faithfulness to the Lord Jesus Christ. 2 Corinthians 9:7 says, "Each one must give what he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." That's our goal: to please God by how we cheerfully give. I truly believe that if each and every one of us took that verse to heart, and we made our goal to be pleasing to God by cheerfully giving, then we would give well beyond \$20,000. You have done this before, and I have the greatest confidence that you will do so again.

I am excited about all of our Christmas events in the month of December. I hope that you and your family can join us for *Behold the Savior* on December 5th, Christmas at Camellia on December 19th, and our Christmas Eve Service on December 24th. These will be sweet times celebrating Jesus together as a family. Invite friends, family, neighbors, and whoever you come into contact with so that they can celebrate Jesus as well.

Camellia family, I want to end by thanking all of you, on behalf of our staff, for your generosity during Pastors Appreciation Month! You are more of a blessing than you will ever know. For all of us, we want to thank you for making our jobs so easy and joyful. I am so grateful the Lord has brought me to such a loving, supportive, and faithful church.

May God bless you, Bro. James