

# Philadelphia Baptist Church

5709 Philadelphia Church Road Marshville, NC 28103

2021



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Samantha's life:

"I don't feel like I would've gotten

SAVED if not for Odum Home."

Baptist Children's Homes

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## November 7<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup>:

NC Week of Prayer for NC Baptist Children's Homes

November 14<sup>th</sup>:

Ingathering for NC Baptist Children's Homes

Hey kids and adults...can you find 4 little inside the newsletter? Have a Happy Thanksgiving!

## NURSERY WORKERS

**November 7<sup>th</sup>: Whitney Beard, Lexi Jenkins** 

November 14th: Luisa Price & Jana Turner, Alyssa Brock

**November 21**st: Kelly Gouch & Skyla Anderson, Lindsey Jenkins

November 28th: Sheri Bradshaw & Ava Strawn, Kelsi Brock December 5th: Jill Aldridge & Mindy Jenkins, Lindsey Jenkins

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## The Proclaimer

November 2021

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## Dear Family of God of Philadelphia,

Sometimes being thankful is just a matter of perspective. The following is written by my favorite author (Mr. Anonymous).

Even though I clutch my blanket and growl when the alarm rings, thank you, Lord, that I can hear. Help me to bless those who can't.

Even though I keep my eyes closed against the morning light as long as possible, thank you, Lord, that I can see. Help me to bless those who can't.

Even though I huddle in my bed and put off rising, thank you, Lord, that I have the strength to rise. Help me to bless the bedridden.

Even though the first hour of my day is hectic, when sock are lost, toast is burnt and tempers are short, my children are so loud, thank you, Lord, for my family. Help me to bless the lonely.

Even though our breakfast table never looks like the pictures in magazines, and the menu is at times unbalanced, thank you, Lord, for the food we have. Help me to bless the hungry.

Even though the routine of my joy often is monotonous, thank you, Lord, for the opportunity to work. Help me to bless the jobless.

Even though I grumble and bemoan my fate from day to day and wish my circumstances were not so modest, thank you, Lord, for life.

As I begin to think of the things for which I am thankful, the PBC family is always near the top of my list.

Even though this past year has been tough for my family and our church, thank you, Lord, for the support, love, and encouragement we have received from our PBC family. Help me to bless those who have no church family to lean on.

Even though it is true that many in our congregation are missing, and even though this breaks my heart, not for me, but for them, thank you, Lord for those who are faithful to give even though they can't attend, and for those who do attend and serve so faithfully. Help me to bless those whose lives have forever been changed by this terrible pandemic.

Even though our church is not "back to normal" yet, thank you, Lord that your Gospel is being shared in new ways, and for sustaining us and even strengthening us during these days. Help me to be grateful for what You are doing, and to bless those can't see the blessings because of the burdens.

Even though there will be empty seats at our Thanksgiving tables this year, thank you, Lord for the seats that are full. May our gatherings be filled with memories of those who have gone away, and help me to be a blessing those who are still with us.

May our Father bless you today. It is a joy to serve our Lord with you. RCA

## **2021 Christmas Card Delivery**

WMU Ladies will "deliver" your Christmas Cards for you.

- 1. Send cards to \*active church members/church friends only. (\*This is so all your cards will be picked up here at the church since we do not mail them out by US Mail.)
- 2. Donate your "stamp money" to our Lottie Moon Christmas Offering to help send missionaries all around the world. (If you write a check, please note on check "Lottie Moon Christmas Offering" or if cash, please have in envelope with Lottie Moon Christmas Offering written on it.
- 3. Turn cards in no later than Sunday, December 5, 2021.
- 4. Please put your cards in alphabetical order.
- 5. We will have cards ready for pick up on Sunday, December 12, 2021.

Thank you for supporting Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.
Our church goal is \$5,000.00.



Backpack Buddy Items Needed: Pop Tarts, Individual Cereal, Grits. Please drop off in the vestibule or outside the secretary's office. Thank you!

CHURCH HISTORY MEETING: Sunday, November 14th at 4:00 PM

If you are interested in helping to write the...**Philadelphia Baptist Church 250**<sup>th</sup> **Anniversary History Book,** please contact the pastor. Volunteers are needed to tell the story of what God has done through us.





## **Donna Pittman Christmas Toy Store 2021**

DATE: Saturday, December 11<sup>th</sup> TIME: 8:00 AM

If you would like to donate a toy(s), please drop off in the church vestibule with a tag on it with the price. Parents can purchase the toys for 10 cents per dollar value. If the parents cannot afford to pay, they get a "Shop Free" card. Money received goes towards buying more toys. Please turn in all toys by Sunday, December 5<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers are needed to work 2-hour shifts on December 11<sup>th</sup> and at times during the week prior to the event to assist with setup. They also need counselors on the day of the event.

## **Ladies' Bible Study**

DATE: Monday, November 1st TIME: 7:00 PM PLACE: Church

**Ladies' Prayer Breakfast** 

DATE: Tuesday, November 16<sup>th</sup> TIME: 9:00 AM PLACE: Beth's



## Churchwide Thanksgiving Dinner FREE

**DATE:** Saturday, November 20<sup>th</sup>

**TIME: 6:00 PM** 

**PLACE: Family Life Center** 

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## **HEALING WATERS MINISTRIES** Touching Nations, Changing Lives

Here at PBC Sunday, November 7<sup>th</sup> www.healingwatersmin.org



Dr. Jeremy Mays is President and Co-founder of Healing Waters Ministries. Not only is Dr. Mays a dynamic preacher and an entertaining storyteller, his messaging is consistently Bible-based and founded in faith. Dr. Mays is passionate about the Body of Christ having faith in Jesus for the impossible and seeing lives forever changed through the power of God's Word. His delivery of

scripture is anointed, full of Holy Ghost power and easily understood by both new and seasoned believers in Jesus Christ.

## GA's Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Shopping Night Wednesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> Meet at the Church at 6:00 PM







7<sup>th</sup> BBQ, Bake & Chili Cookoff Saturday, January 29, 2022

### November

Jeff Forester November 2 November 2 Hailey Turner November 2 Doris Williams November 3 Raleigh Hinson November 3 Jack Rollins Brenda Wallace November 3 November 4 Cecil Helms Donald Sullivan November 4 Grayson Helms November 5 November 5 Mitchell Wilson November 6 Aubrey McGriff November 7 William Glidewell Joyce Ashcraft November 9 November 9 J.D. Query November 10 Vanna Nash November 13 Bonnie Newland Noah Porter November 14 November 15 Oakley Hinson November 18 Beth Atkinson Tommy Pittman November 18 November 20 Riley Benton **Baylor Ross** November 20 November 23 Dawn McClain November 23 Jerry Moore November 25 Ava Strawn November 26 Rebecca Davis November 27 Tonya Huggins November 29 Frances Baker Jerry Davis November 30

### December

Travis Cox December 1 Belinda Goodman December 1 Wyatt Helms December 1 Cameron Knight December 1 Timothy Pressley December 1 Sadie Tarlton December 1 Skylar Clay December 2 Jack Ellison December 2 Dale Evans December 2 Case Gouch December 2 Shirley Rorie December 4 Sherry Severt December 4 Carlyn Rushing December 5 Jake Taylor December 5 Phillip Bowers December 6 Darrell Jenkins December 6 Ava Tarlton December 6 Kevin Ciucevich December 7 Veronica Freytag December 7 Bryar Gouch December 7



Please contact the church office to update the birthday list. Thank you.





Members & Friends,
Sunday School Classes,
AWANA Club, WMU,
Ladies Bible Study,
Adult Bible Study,
Mission Friends,
GAs, RAs, and
Youth Leaders/Teachers,
WE HAVE BOXES AVAILABLE

## FOR PICK UP 🎯

We have "How to Pack a Shoebox" Brochures, Labels, Stickers, "Let's Be Friends" letters to fill out and insert into your shoebox. Please pick up items for you and/or your class in the vestibule! Thank you so much!

All shoeboxes need to be turned into the church by

Sunday, November 7<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDA	Y THURSDAY	FRI	SATURDAY
November 2021	1 Ladies Bible Study 7:00 PM	2	3 6:00 PM: GA's O Shopping Trip 6:00 PM: Adult Study streaming Facebook; 7:00 F WMU, Mission Friends, RA's, Yo 8:00 PM: Choir Pr	Bible on PM:	5	6 Statewide Appalachian Backpack collection day in FLC. Daylight Savings Time ends. (Fall back one hour before bed.)
7 7 <sup>th</sup> – 14 <sup>th</sup> Week of Prayer for NC Baptist Children's Homes; 9:30 AM: Sunday School 10:30 AM: BAPTISM Morning Worship; Special Guest: Jeremy Mays. Shoeboxes due. 4:00 PM Nativity Scenes Planning Meeting; 4:30 – 6:00 PM: AWANA 5:00 PM: Youth	8 NC Baptist Convention in Greensboro	9 NC Baptist Convention in Greensboro	7:00 PM: Mission Friends, GA's, RAYouth, Adult Biblic Study live & streaming on Facebook 8:00 PM: Choir Practice	N'S, Dav	12	13
14 Offering for NC Baptist Children's Homes; 9:30 AM: Sunday School 10:30 AM: Morning Worship; Church Conference 4:00 PM 250 <sup>th</sup> History Book Meeting 4:30–6:00 PM: AWANA 5:00 PM: Youth	15	16 Ladies' Prayer Breakfast At Beth's 9:00 AM	7:00 PM: Mission Friends, GA's, RAYouth, Adult Biblic Study live & streaming on Facebook 8:00 PM: Choir Practice	A's,	19	20 Churchwide Thanksgiving Dinner 6:00 PM in the FLC
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28 9:30 AM: Sunday School 10:30 AM: Morning Worship, Special Guest: Dr. Eric Cook 4:30 – 6:00 PM: AWANA 5:00 PM: Youth	29	30 Deacon's Meeting	Novembe	AWANA CLUB CALENDAR  November 7 <sup>th</sup> : ¼ Book Completion Night  November 21 <sup>st</sup> : Blackout Night		



## **Live Nativity**

### Weekend of December 18th

We need kids, teens, and adults to help make it successful. There are plenty of spots for everyone. We will have practice/meeting in the sanctuary on Sunday, November 7<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 PM for anyone who plans to participate.



Kathy and Randy Brock | October 2021
Thank you for helping us equip leaders, to reach kids, and see the world changed for Christ.



## **Outreach & Equipping Highlights**

- Nicole McDow, an Awana Ministry Director at Faith Baptist Church, a small country church, has the vision to grow her club.
   Praise God for the opportunity He gives us to reach out and increase the Awana club one child at a time.
- Alison Sasscer, an Awana Ministry Director at First Baptist Church Fort Mill, wants to instill an additional 50% more scripture verses in the hearts of the clubbers that attend each week. Praise God for leaders who desire that our children will have verses in their hearts that will guide them all the days of their lives.
- Jackson, a 3rd grader from Philadelphia Baptist Church, recently trusted Jesus as his Savior at a class on Wednesday night. His decision helped three of his friends also trust in Jesus. One of the other boys decided to follow Jesus in Baptism.

I have really enjoyed visiting with Awana Ministry Directors, leaders, and Pastors at their Awana clubs. It is such a joy to see the children working hard to learn their verses and to watch them interact during game time. It has been a blessing to watch the leadership tearn engage with the children as they share more Jesus with them each week.

## Field Updates

The Awana Ministry Conference was held in Gastonia, NC, on October 2nd. This year Valerie Bell, CEO of Awana, was the keynote speaker. We were so happy to have a live conference and so thankful for those who attended. It was a blessing to be able to teach one of the break out sessions.

Shining Light Baptist Church started a new Awana club this year. They have a church area and school on the north side of town and a high school and gym on the south. Pastor Tim Cruse has a vision for how the church is growing and what he sees God changing over the next couple of years. He told me he needs a good discipleship program to train the children with all the anticipated growth. That is why they started Awana. Praise God for pastors using Awana to fulfill the vision God has provided.







## **Family Update**

- I had a chance to play Disc Golf with five of my grandchildren recently. We all learned something new, and we had a great time.
- Grandparents day was fantastic with four of my grandchildren at Shining Light Christian Acadamy.

## **Praise and Prayer Requests**

- Please pray for safety as I travel to Chicago in November as we connect and align vision for our ministry
- Praise God for the children that placed their trust in Jesus as their Savior. That is why we do what we do.



## **Ministry Goals**

- To continue reaching out to the churches in my area of ministry to develop a closer relationship with the Awana Ministry Directors, pastor, and the club leaders.
- To continue raising support so I will become fully funded and have more time to work in ministry.
- To spend more time visiting clubs to encourage leaders and talk with the children.

## From the Awana global headquarters

For two full days, leaders from all over the world gathered together to talk about the priority of children's ministry in a post-Christian culture, and that time was filled with thought-provoking challenges, biblical truth, and vision. The children in our ministries will be the leaders in the church of 2050- grounded in the biblical discipleship they experience today. How are we helping them to learn what it means to be a disciple of Jesus in the midst of a shifting landscape of culture?

Psalms 78 gives a beautiful vision for generational discipleship through the Israelites – He established a testimony in Jacob and appointed a law in Israel, which he commanded our fathers to teach to their children, that the next generation might know them, the children yet unborn, and arise and tell them to their children, so that they should set their hope in God and not forget the works of God, but keep his commandments... (NIV)

The work of Jesus only further clarifies the importance of us passing our faith on to the next generation, and that is what you are doing week after week! Carry on in the strength of a God who has sustained generations past and will continue to show His faithfulness to us and the generations to come!

Melanie Hester | Community Engagement Manager



Partner with us in reaching more children!

awana.org/missionary/kathy-brock

Awana is a global nonprofit organization, fueled by the generous support of individuals, churches, and organizations as well as resource sales to accomplish our mission of equipping leaders to reach kids with the gospel and engage them in lifelong discipleship.