Fellowship Baptist Church

Sunday, December 1, 2019

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SPECIAL LOVE OFFERING

Eagle House is expanding yet again! Daniel and Jennifer Money were recently approached about an opportunity to adopt another child who was in urgent need of a family. Through much thought and prayer, they said yes. We would like to support this God-led decision by taking up a special offering to help with the adoption costs. Today, December 1, we will take up a special offering during the morning services. Special envelopes will be available for this purpose.

LORD'S SUPPER SERVICE

Tonight, Sunday, December 1, at 6pm, we will gather in the Sanctuary for the Lord's Supper Service. There will be a time of sharing and testimony.

THANK YOU, MISSIONARIES!

I cannot thank our church family enough for all the help during Shoebox collection week. As a church, we collected 96 shoeboxes. Add in the 65 from VBS and that is 161 Gospel Opportunities from Fellowship Baptist Church. As a drop off center, we collected 1,898 shoeboxes (that is up 13% or 216 boxes over last year!), and as a Central Drop-off location, we gathered 12,049 shoeboxes. While that is down a hair from last year, over 120,000 lives will be touched by the love of Christ because of the folks in Southern Illinois! A huge thank you to Judy Miller and Karamie Waller who did all the hard work as well as the VHS Youth for Christ students who loaded all the trailers (786 cartons!). PRAISE THE LORD!!!!

DECK THE HALLS

It is time to dress the church up in its Christmas finest. We will start decorating the church Monday, December 2 at 3pm. Many hands are needed, especially ones that are not afraid to climb ladders. If you have any questions, please see Sandra McGill.

OFFICE HOURS

Please note that Joanne will be out of the office Tuesday, December 3 – Thursday, December 5, for a trip to the OCC Shoebox Processing Center in Atlanta. Also, Pastor Tom will be out of the office Wednesday, December 11 – Monday, December 16, for the wedding in Minnesota. He will be back in the office on Wednesday, December 18. The office will be closed December 24–26 for Christmas.

QUARTERLY BUSINESS MEETING

The next business meeting will be this Wednesday, December 4 at 7pm. Committee chairs should be ready to a report (with a written copy for the Clerk). If you have anything to add to the agenda, please have it to the office by Monday, December 2.

FAITH ALIVE VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION DINNER

All faithful Faith Alive helpers are welcome to attend the Volunteer appreciation dinner on Thursday, December 5 at 5pm in the Christian Family Life Center.

POTLUCK DISHES NEEDED

The Fellowship Committee will be providing a potluck meal for the Faith Alive dinner. We will need side dishes, salads, and desserts. If you are able to help out, please see the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. Any questions can be directed to Joanne Cantrell. We are expecting approximately 60 people to attend this meal.

LIVE NATIVITY

For several years the church has been involved with helping in the "Live Nativity" that has been held at the park. This year it has been decided to combine "Christmas on the Square" and the "Live Nativity" on the same night – Sunday, December 8, 6–9pm. This will be a great way to reach out and tell the real meaning of CHRISTmas to the community. But we are asking for help! We need people!! Fellowship will once again be serving snacks and warm drinks for those who go through the Nativity. We need volunteers to help do this. People to drive a truck with a hay trailer are also needed since this year it will be more like a hayride through the story. If you can help in anyway, please let Karamie Waller know. May the Lord bless this outreach with many souls to see Him for the first time!

LOTTIE MOON OFFERING

As Christmas time draws near, it is time to start collecting for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions. 100% of the monies given to the Lottie Moon offering goes to the mission field. The offering will run December 8 – 29. Special envelopes will be provided. Watch for more details about Lottie Moon and this offering in the coming weeks.

CARDS FOR HOMEBOUND

Lana McLaughlin will be collecting cards for the Homebound through Sunday, December 15. Please leave items on the counter in the old kitchen. If you have any questions, please see Lana.

WOMEN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Women's Christmas Party has been moved to Friday, January 3 at 6:30pm. Please mark your calendars and watch for more details to come.

EMAILS

Each week, we send out at least one email – the Announcements email. We also send out prayer requests, reminders and other important information as it necessary. If you would like to be added to the email list, please fill out and return the Connection Card at the bottom of the bulletin.

ONLINE CALENDAR

Before planning a Department or Committee event, please be sure to double check the calendar to make sure there is not something already scheduled. The Online calendar is updated at least once a week, sometimes more. However, always verify the date with the calendar in the office to be sure before planning your events just in case.

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

With the change in the way the bulletins are being done, if you have anything for announcements, please turn into the office by Wednesday evenings. You can leave a note on the desk or send an email to joannecantrell@fellowshipbaptistvienna.com.

PRAYER REQUESTS

If you have any prayer requests to add to the weekly prayer sheet, please email them to Joanne by Wednesday at 10am. joannecantrell@fellowshipbaptistvienna.com.

** If you see something that is incorrect in these announcements, please let me know so that I can make that correction! **

UPCOMING EVENTS

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1

First Sunday of Advent

Deacons' Meeting

8am in the C1 Classroom

Lord's Supper Service

6pm in the Sanctuary

WEDNESDAY, December 4

Safety & Security Meeting

6pm in the C2 Classroom

Quarterly Business Meeting

Youth Group

Children's Ministry

7pm at Fellowship

THURSDAY, December 5

Senior Adult Bible Study

10am at Autumn Ridge

Faith Alive Volunteer Appreciation Dinner

5pm in the Christian Family Life Center

FRIDAY, December 6

Women's Christmas Party

6:30pm at a Location to be announced soon

SUNDAY, December 8

Second Sunday of Advent

Live Nativity

6-9pm on the Square

WEDNESAY, December 11

Activities Committee Meeting

6:30pm in the Ch3 Classroom

Bible Study & Prayer Meeting

Youth Group

Children's Ministry

7pm at Fellowship

THURSDAY, December 12

Senior Adult Bible Study

10am at Autumn Ridge

SUNDAY, December 15

Third Sunday of Advent

Cards for Homebound Due

Fellowship Groups

6pm at Fellowship, Haney's, and Cockrum's

Be sure to check out the **ONLINE CALENDAR** for additional events and updates! www.fellowshipbaptistvienna.com

LAST WEEK BY THE NUMBERS

ATTENDANCE

Sunday School: 96 Morning Worship: 153

GENERAL FUND TITHES & OFFERINGS

Weekly Budget: \$ 5,100.50 Amount Received: \$ 3,924.65

2019-2020 Budget: \$ 265,226.13 Amount Received: \$ 42,442.09

VOLUNTEERS

counters av team

December 1December 8December 1December 8Nick CockrumLinda MooreLorylee HensleyGreg BrownAustin AdamsDan KerleyOwen GrayHeather Brown

greeters deacons

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childcare ushers

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December 4 December 11 David Jones Volunteer Needed

Sandra McGill Clea Russell

Katelynne Cantrell McKenzie Jackson