Fellowship Baptist Church

Sunday, December 22, 2019

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING

Lottie Moon was a legendary Southern Baptist missionary who served in China for 39 years. She was appointed as a missionary in 1873 and served until her death on Dec. 24, 1912. Throughout her career, Lottie wrote many letters home, urging Southern Baptists to greater missions involvement and support. One of these letters triggered Southern Baptists' first Christmas offering for international missions in 1888–enough to send three new missionaries to China. Today, Southern Baptist churches collect the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering® for the sole purpose of supporting international missions. Every penny of the offering goes to the International Mission Board's overseas budget. The offering provides the largest portion of the IMB's income–nearly 60 percent. We will be collecting for this offering through December 29. Special envelopes are provided.

SPECIAL COMMUNION SERVICE

This evening, Sunday, December 22, 2019, we will celebrate the Birth of Christ with a special service in the sanctuary at 6pm. We will be lighting the Christ Candle and observing the Lord's Supper ordinance during this service.

OFFICE HOURS

The office will be closed December 24-26 for Christmas.

GAME NIGHT

It's time to dust off those board games and cards and start practicing. The Activities Committee will be hosting a Game Night on Sunday, December 29 at 6pm in the Christian Family Life Center. This is a great opportunity to invite friends and family to join the fellowship fun. The Committee asks that everyone bring a snack/drinks and their favorite games! They will be providing pizza for everyone!

BIBLE READING PLANS

As the New Year approaches, it's time to start thinking about your Bible Reading Plan for 2020. In the bulletin racks, you will find four different reading plans. These are the same plans that we had for 2019. More information about each plan is attached. All plans start on January 1.

Starting in the New Year, our Wednesday evening Bible Studies will be going through the book of Mark. So, on January 1, come prepared to discuss Mark, Chapter 1.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

Please remember to turn in your rosters to the office EVERY SUNDAY!!! Thanks ©

WOMEN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

Please make plans to attend the Women's Christmas Party on Friday, January 3, at 6:30pm at Sandra McGill's home. We will be having a potluck supper, devotion, \$10 gift exchange, games, fun, and fellowship. We will also be collecting new baby bottles for Angel's Cove. Please RSVP by January 1 by signing up on the bulletin board.

AFRICA REPORT

Be sure to come out on Sunday evening, January 19, at 6pm, to hear what Bryan Throgmorton has been up to in Swaziland.

MEN'S WILD GAME SUPPER

It's time for the men of the church to scour the freezer and create a special dish featuring your best wild game recipe. For those that aren't hunting, stalking the boxes and bags in the local grocery store counts as well. It's nearly time for the Associational Wild Game Supper – Friday, January 24 at 6pm at Anna Heights. If you are interested in attending, please sign u on the bulletin board.

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 <u>joannecantrell@fellowshipbaptistvienna.com</u>.

PRAYER REQUESTS

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

** 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 22

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Christmas Communion Service 6pm in the Sanctuary

TUESDAY, Dec. 24 – THURDAY, Dec. 26

Office Closed For Christmas

WEDNESDAY, December 25 No Evening Services or Meetings

SUNDAY, December 29

Game Night 6pm in the Christian Family Life Center

WEDNESDAY, January 1

OFFICE CLOSED For New Year's Holiday

Bible Study & Prayer Meeting Youth Group NO Children's Ministry 7pm at Fellowship

THURSDAY, January 2

Senior Adult Bible Study 10am at Autumn Ridge

FRIDAY, January 3

Women's Christmas Party 6:30pm at Sandra McGill's Home

SUNDAY, January 5

Deacons' Meeting 8am in the C1 Classroom

Lord's Supper Observance 10:30am in the Sanctuary

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

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

LAST WEEK BY THE NUMBERS

ATTENDANCE

Sunday School:	78
Morning Worship:	146

GENERAL FUND TITHES & OFFERINGS

Weekly Budget:	\$ 5,100.50
Amount Received:	\$ 3,495.16

2019-2020 Budget:	\$ 265,226.13
Amount Received:	\$ 56,063.02

LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING

2019-2020 Goal:	\$ 5,000.00
Amount Received:	\$ 182.00

VOLUNTEERS

counters

December 22 Linda Moore Dan Kerley

greeters

December 22 Jerry & Judy Miller

childcare

December 22

Sherie Smith

December 25

NO EVENING

SERVICES/MEETINGS

Isaac Smith

December 29 Melanie Smith Jonathan Waller

December 29

Teale Betts & Kate Cantrell

av team

December 22 Greg Brown Katelynne Cantrell

deacons

December 22 Fred Moore Dale Russell

ushers

December 22 Jerry Miller Wade Stewart Don Stockdale Conrad McLaughlin **December 29** Greg Brown Heather Brown

December 29 Fred Moore Dale Russell

December 29 Volunteers Are Needed Conrad McLaughlin

December 29 Linda Moore Jim Haney

> **January 1** Sandra McGill Hannah Gray

2020 Bible Reading Plan Options

5x5x5 Bible Reading Plan (Blue and Children's Map)

- Reads through the New Testament once
- 1 chapter per day
- 5 days of reading then 2 days of "reflection"

This plan is designed for you to read for 5 minutes a day for 5 days and provides for 5 ways to reflect on what you have read (5 x 5 x 5). Ideally, you would read Monday – Friday* and set aside the weekends for reflection and other reading. Especially beneficial if you're new to a daily discipline of Bible reading.

*Note: Jan 1st is a Wednesday, so if you follow the days as listed on the reading plan your days off are Monday and Tuesday.

Discipleship Journal Bible Reading Plan (Yellow)

- Reads through the whole Bible once
- 4 selections per day
 - Two New Testament (the Gospels and the Letters)
 - Two Old Testament (the Wisdom Books and the rest of the OT)
- 25 days of reading per month

To prevent the frustration of falling behind, which most of us tend to do when following a Bible reading plan, each month of this plan gives you only twenty-five readings. Since you will have several "free days" each month, you could set aside Sundays to either not read at all or to catch up on any readings you may have missed in the past week. Or, if you finish the month's readings by the twenty-fifth, you could use the final days of the month to study the passages that challenged or intrigued you.

Chronological Bible Reading Plan (Orange)

- Read through the whole Bible once
- 1-2 selections most days
- Readings are in the order the events occurred chronologically.

The one-year chronological reading plan contains the entire text of the bible arranged in the order the events actually occurred. This unique viewpoint allows you to read the whole Bible as a single story and to see the unfolding of God's plan in history.

M'Cheyne Bible Reading Plan (Green)

- Read through the Old Testament once and the New Testament and Psalms twice
- 4 selections per day
 - Two from the Old Testament
 - Two from the New Testament and/or Psalms

The M'Cheyne Bible Reading Plan was developed by Scottish pastor Robert Murray M'Cheyne and was intended by M'Cheyne to highlight the internal unity of the Scriptures to the reader. Many Christians have a very partial and disjointed understanding of the Bible. We know certain stories very well but don't always understand how all the pieces fit together. This plan allows us to "see the big picture" while also soaking in the parts of the Bible that seem to minister most directly to the soul.