



# Mid-Week Informer

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## Lancaster Baptist Church

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A COMMUNITY OF GRACE  
THAT IS GROWING  
AND GOING

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

#### DECEMBER

- Upward practices start the week of Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>
- 3:16 Ministry Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM in the FLC
- Christmas caroling on Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:15 PM
- Christmas meal on Sun. Dec. 16<sup>th</sup> after AM service

#### GROW Schedule

GREEN Team Mon. Upward  
RED Team Tue. Upward  
ORANGE Team Thu. Upward  
WHITE Team Fri. Upward

#### CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

- Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Caroling (6:15 PM)
- Dec. 16<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Meal after AM service
- Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup> – LMCO Ingathering Offering during AM Service.
- Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Eve Candlelight Service 7:30 PM

### From Your Pastor:

### Mission Driven Discipleship

I want to begin by saying how much I enjoyed our Life Group celebration on Sunday evening. I loved hearing about how life groups were ministering to one another and how life groups have been able to bring multiple generations together. As a Pastor, I get to interact with all ages and I know firsthand how valuable and encouraging our older generation is. I also know that we have some awesome God-loving young people. Often, members of the church don't get to know many people outside of their generation. Life groups allow the younger couples to not only interact with the older folks, but come to love and appreciate them. As was mentioned Sunday evening, life groups allow us to look a little more like the early church (in Acts) and a little more like heaven. I think the Lord delights when His church grows in their love for one another. I pray that God continues to bless the fellowship, discipleship, evangelistic, and ministry aspects of our life groups in the future.

As we begin making plans for 2019, I would like for each of you to consider going on a mission trip in 2019. It can be short (1 or 2 days) or long (week or so). It can be more local or further away (internationally). A few months ago, I heard Micah Fries, pastor of Brainerd Baptist Church in Chattanooga, Tennessee, talk about "Mission Driven Discipleship". It got me to thinking about what God has taught me in past mission trips. Often on mission trips we are able to get away from all the noise and distractions of our daily lives and really draw near to God. God can speak into our lives when we replace TV, news, social media, and the busyness of our schedules with Bible reading, devotional time, prayer time, and ministry to others.

Have you ever considered the fact that our God is a God on a mission. Jesus came to earth on a mission to rescue sinners from the penalty of their sin. He accomplished His mission through His sinless life, sacrificial death on the cross, and His resurrection from the dead. God is on mission engaging redemptively those around the world who are far from Him. He calls His church to take the Gospel to our community, neighbors, and around the world. I'm not sure we can be like Jesus if we aren't being missional (in regards to taking the gospel and ministering to people around us).

In addition to sharing the love of Christ through mission trips, God uses missions to shape us into His image and to give us a heart for other people. I have found that joining God on mission satisfies us like few other things in this life can. I'm going to India in January. We have mission trips planned for El Salvador and Alaska in 2019. Maybe this is the year you will say, "Yes" to a mission opportunity. If you can't go physically, you can pray for those who can go. You might also be able to support somebody who can go on a mission trip but who struggles to pay for the trip. I have no doubt that God uses mission trips to grow us as disciples. Are you ready to take a mission step next year? Let us know and we will share some opportunities and help you take that step for the glory of God.

Bro. Harold

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**JOY CLUB:** Thu., Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>, leave at 8:30 to go to Cracker Barrel and then come back to deliver gifts to homebound.

**UPWARD BASKETBALL & CHEERLEADING:** Practices started Monday, Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please see Michael Dailey or Anna Ward if you would like to assist in some capacity. Green Team will reach out at Upward practices on Monday evenings. Red Team has Tuesday evenings. Orange Team has Thursday evenings, and the White Team has Friday evenings.

**FUNDRAISER FOR GC FOOD PANTRY:** The RED Grow Team is sponsoring a chili fundraiser meal Sat. Dec. 8<sup>th</sup> (night of Christmas parade) for the GC Food Pantry. If you would like to provide a dessert for the meal or a pie/cake for a pie sale please bring it by 4:00 PM on Saturday. Thanks so much!

**CHURCH BUS DRIVERS:** If you currently drive any of the church busses, or are interested in helping in the future, please contact Vonda Anderson at 792-2781.

**CHRISTMAS CAROLING:** Monday, Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:15 PM. All invited to attend.

**EL SALVADOR MISSION TRIP MEETING:** After church on Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> in the Choir Room.

**ALASKA MISSION TRIP MEETING:** After church on Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> in the Prayer Room.

**VENDOR FAIR/CHRISTMAS BAZAAR DEC. 15th:** Anyone interested in renting out a 10 x 10 spot to sell your crafts, etc., alongside Leah and Dana please let Anna Ward know. \$15 for church members, \$30 for others.

**3:16 PRODUCTIONS:** Blacklight Puppet ministry of Bruner's Chapel Church will be here on Sun. Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM in the FLC. All will enjoy this ministry.

**CHRISTMAS MEAL:** Deacon sponsored Christmas meal on Dec. 16<sup>th</sup> after the AM Service.

**FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY:** We will be offering a FPU course starting Wed. Jan. 13<sup>th</sup>. If interested, please see Ray or Jennifer Pevley.

**PRAYER REQUEST** (*Pray without ceasing... 1 Thessalonians 5:16*) Della Hall – (859) 548-9250

Trena Adams

Liz Adkins

Jayce April

Daniel Armstrong

Melvin Bailey

Jennifer Baker

Sue Ballard

Dorothy Bennett

Don Boga

Sunnie Brock

Scott Brown

Denny Bullock

Kaleigh Burkhart

Eric Caldwell

Lisa R. Caldwell

Jerry Carrier

Lisa Caudill

Clay Clark

Sally Jo Clark

Levi Clontz

Tracy Cook

Rosa Cranfill

Dorsey Davis

Ruth Dean

Bob Decker

Frances Deshon

Elizabeth Durham

Stephanie Elam

Jimmy Flynn

Joyce Frizer

Randall Grant

Deborah Gumm

Barbara Hackney

Barb Hall

Jeanne Hall

Leland Hall

Phillip Haynes

Eva Hicks

David Holland

Misty Horton

Judy Hoskins

Sara Hoskins

Elroy Hulett

Carolyn Hunt

Jakobe & Family

Lonnie Jenkins

Cheryl Johnson

Melody Jones

Austin Jordan

Julia Kay

Don King

Buffy Lawson

Michael Lemay

Mandy Lynch

Darin Mackey

Sherry Martin

Lindsey Meadors

Nancy Moberly

Betty Montgomery

Allen Moore

Lisa Morrow

Matt Morrow

Dorothy Murphy

Ralph Murphy

Micah Noe

Norman Oliver family

Ruby Padgett

Hildreth Patterson

Samantha Rush-Peek

Faye Poff

Amber Rankin

Robert J. Reister

Bo Renfro

Johnny Reynold

Kelly Richards

Derek Roach

Bobby Robbins

Liz Roberts

Lisa Logan Rogers

Dave Ruda

Leroy Russell

Bob Schrock

Betty Scott

Mike Sexton

David Simpson

Virginia Simpson

Mike Slone

Danny Smith

Derek Smith

John "Bubba" Smith

Tyler Stratton

Andy Sutton

Mike Sutton

Oda Taylor

Sue Thompson

Beth Turner

Mildred Underwood

Courtney Ward

Isaac White

Danny Wilson

Eddie Woods

### HOMEBOUND

- Betty Arnold
- Marie Black
- Nellie Cole
- JoAnn Grow
- Anna Meadows
- Marie Naylor
- Katherine Sowder
- Billy Williams

### LANDMARK

- Lois Carrier
- Margaret Land
- Della Meadows
- Tina Montgomery
- Dorothy Shockley
- Mary (Pug) Adkinson

### LBC

- Bro. Harold & Family
- Bro Nehemiah & Family
- Bro. Gary & Family
- Bro Michael & Family
- Chervens
- Our Deacons
- Our SS Teachers
- Church Leaders
- Adam and CJ
- College Students
- Lost

### COMMUNITY

- County Judge (Wilson)
- City Mayor (Davis)
- Representative (Brenda)
- Police/Sheriff Dept.
- Fire/EMS
- Schools
- Lost

### NATION

- President (Trump)
- Governor (Bevins)
- Legislatures
- Armed Forces
- Missionaries
- Persecuted Christians
- Spiritual Awakening