



NEWS FROM THE WELL

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Making A Difference In Our World In Christ's Name



Operation Christmas Child

Thank you to everyone who bought items for the shoeboxes, the group that help set up for packing, all who donated money for shipping, and all who help pack the shoeboxes. There were 127 shoeboxes packed and sent on eh way to children who need them.

Church-wide Movie Night:

When David Smallbone's music company collapses, he moves his family from Australia to the United States to search for a brighter future. Struggling to make ends meet, the couple soon realize the talents of their children, who go on to become two of the most successful acts in contemporary Christian music. This movie is based on a true story that explores the importance of faith and love. The heart of any compelling story is its characters, and the "Unsung Hero" movie expertly portrays the love and raw emotion shared between real people. You do not have to attend Bible Study to attend this movie presentation. All church congregants and their guests are welcome to come, watch the movie on December 4 at 6:30, enjoy the refreshments and fellowship together. Hope to see you there!!

Cantata

The Choir will present a cantata called "Candles and Carols" on December 15 during the Worship Service. Please plan to come and invite a friend!

Women of the Well



The Women of the Well will meet on Sunday, December 15 at 4:00 at the home of Mary Griffin. All are asked to bring a snack to share. We would love to have more ladies join us in fellowship.

Poinsettias

Poinsettias will be place in the church on Sunday, December 15 and 22. If you would like to add to the beauty of our Sanctuary by placing a poinsettia in memory or in honor of someone, Please fill out a form found in the Narthex and give it and the money to Mary Griffin by December 1.

Christmas Card Exchange

The Board of Deacons will sponsor a Christmas Card exchange again this year. You may bring Christmas cards for those who attend services here and place them in the box in the Narthex. If you would donate what you would have spent on postage to the Deacon's Fund, which assist needy families, there will be an offering receptacle on the table near the box.

Deacons Meeting

The Deacons will meet on Tuesday, December 17 at the home of Mary Griffin at 6:00. This includes the 2025 Deacons.

December Ministry Assistants

CUOC: TBA

Deacon on Call: Dec. 1: Phil McKinney
Dec. 8: David Jordan; Dec. 15: Dawn Morris; Dec.
22: Judy Watson; Dec. 29: Mary Griffin

Flowers: Christmas arrangement

Trustee to lock/unlock: Barry Brey

December Birthdays

1 Corbitt Thomas
2 Greg Kelly
3 Madison Schooley
3 Harley Schooley
9 Cortney Maness
10 Linda Parson
10 Beverly Gunter
11 Barbara Norris
11 Mark Coggins
12 Ralph Yarborough
12 Grace Collins
14 Kolby Harrison
15 Ricky Taylor
17 Dawn Morris
17 Tyler Williamson
19 Brenda Marsh
20 Thomas McNeill
21 Faye Thompson
21 Donald Gaster
21 Gleena Hess
22 Kayla Murchison
22 Tracey Parson
24 Camden Adcock
27 Joshua Rosser
27 Wayne Parson
28 Brittany Griffin
28 David Watson
28 Jeremy Currin
30 Carolyn Williamson
31 Abby Johnson



Candlelight Service

We will have Carols, Candlelight, and Communion on Sunday, December 22nd at 6:00 p.m. Following the service, everyone is invited to the Fellowship Hall for refreshments. Please bring a holiday food item to share. Jolly St. Nicholas will also be on hand for the children in attendance. You want to attend this wonderful time of worship and fellowship, so plan to invite your family and friends

Bible Readings for December

Dec 1....Romans 7-9
Dec 2....Romans 10-12
Dec 3....Romans 13-16
Dec 4....Acts 20-22
Dec 5....Acts 23-25
Dec 6....Acts 26-28
Dec 7....Ephesians 1-3
Dec 8....Ephesians 4-6
Dec 9....Philippians 1-4
Dec 10....Colossians 1-4
Dec 11....Hebrews 1-4
Dec 12....Hebrews 5-7
Dec 13....Hebrews 8-10
Dec 14....Hebrews 11-13
Dec 15....Philemon; 1 Peter 1,2
Dec 16....1 Peter 3-5
Dec 17....2 Peter 1-3
Dec 18....1 Timothy 1-3
Dec 19....1 Timothy 4-6
Dec 20....Titus 1-3
Dec 21....2 Timothy 1-4
Dec 22....1 John 1,2
Dec 23....1 John 3-5
Dec 24....2 John; 3 John; Jude
Dec 25....Revelation 1-3
Dec 26....Revelation 4-6
Dec 27....Revelation 7-9
Dec 28....Revelation 10-12
Dec 29....Revelation 13-15
Dec 30....Revelation 16-18
Dec 31....Revelation 19-22

To My Special Shallow Well Family,

In the spirit of this Thanksgiving season, I wanted to offer my thanks to all of you for your calls, notes and especially your prayers during the illnesses and deaths of my brother, Graydon Spivey (June 1, 2024) and his wife, Judy (June 30, 2024). I am also grateful to those who came to the funerals in Roxboro, NC and to the interment of both at the Shallow Well Cemetery. To all of you I express my heartfelt love and appreciation. May God bless you,
Oneda Spivey Dickens

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Greetings in the Lord!

On Commitment: Giving

You may recall our Messages from the Twelve sermon series when we surveyed the twelve “minor” prophets. One of those prophets is Haggai. We read in 1:7-8 “Thus says the Lord of hosts: “Consider your ways. Go up to the hills and bring wood and build the house, that I may take pleasure in it and that I may be glorified, says the Lord.” God's people had not made His house of worship a priority. Haggai proclaimed to the people that they should prioritize God's house, thus making a *commitment*.

How did God’s people respond? We find out in verse 12: “Then Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, and Joshua the son of Jehozadak, the high priest, with all the remnant of the people, *obeyed the voice of the Lord their God*, and the words of Haggai the prophet, as the Lord their God had sent him. *And the people feared the Lord.*” When God’s people responded in faith, God responded, “Be strong, all you people of the land, declares the Lord. Work, for I am with you, declares the Lord of hosts, according to the covenant that I made with you when you came out of Egypt. My Spirit remains in your midst. Fear not.

God has blessed Shallow Well Church with a beautiful facility. Over the last three years, we have taken up a special collection for upgrades to McFarland Hall. The result of your faithfulness is a fully renovated and multi-purpose worship area. Thank you. However, as we pray for God to bring more children, we must upgrade the Children's Sunday School area. I ask you to prayerfully consider a “Christmas Gift for Jesus” that will go toward making the location excellent to the glory of God. You can designate your gift via check or on the drop-down menu on the giving page on shallow-well.org.

On behalf of our Stewardship Finance Committee, thank you for your continued faithful giving. We wish you a very Merry Christmas and a blessed New Year!

In Christ,

Eric

