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## OUR TEAM

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Michelle Jackson / Tammy Rock

Treasurer  
Mark Moody

Church Secretary/Asst. Treasurer  
Patricia Deel

## SCRIPTURE OF THE MONTH

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"See, I will create new heavens and a new earth. The former things will not be remembered, nor will they come to mind." Isaiah 65:17 NIV

Happy  
New Year!



## JANUARY 2026 NEWSLETTER



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### PASTOR'S PEN

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#### "Keep On Keeping On"

I heard of some men years ago who were on a leaky old ship, in the middle of a rough and stormy sea. And they were actually fearful for their lives. They didn't know whether they were going to sink or not. So, one of them went in to see the captain and said, "Captain, are we safe?" He said, "Well, I'll put it to you this way." He said, "The boilers on this ship are very weak and may explode at any moment." He said, "Also, the ship is very old, and she's taking on water." So, he said, "To be very honest with you, we may have an explosion, or we may sink." He said, "We may go up, or we may go down, but at any rate, we are going on."

And that's the way we are as we face this new year dear friend. Jesus may come; we may go up. We may die, and go down and then up, but at any rate we are going on. Isn't that true. We're facing a brand new year, and we don't know what it's going to bring, but we know to whom we belong.

Happy New Year,  
*Pastor Steve*



I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and a Happy New year! We had a great time at our Christmas party last month. We went out to eat, saw some Christmas lights, and played games and enjoyed time of fellowship back at the youth room. I hope all of you enjoyed celebrating the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Now that Christmas and the new year has passed, things will start getting back to a normal routine again. School will be back to normal and so will work schedules. Please pray for our youth that they would grow closer to Christ in the year 2026. Pray for us leaders as we guide them, with The Lord leading us, that we would be the teachers and examples that God has called us to be. Church, you have always been so good to our youth and we are forever grateful for you.

To God be ALL the glory!  
*Brandon*



## MISSION NEWS

Happy New Year!!

1/2 Bryan Hulse  
1/7 Ethan Head  
1/8 Matt Williams  
1/13 Gary Deel  
1/13 Lynn Lester  
1/14 Lisa Gray  
1/16 Tonya Cloyd  
1/16 Roger Hughes  
1/18 Sheila Bailey  
1/18 Arnell Mitchell  
1/19 Berry Coggins  
1/21 Dominic Newton  
1/22 Lynes Sherfey  
1/22 Bo Wheelock  
1/23 Andy Forbes  
1/24 Abbey Grace Chatman  
1/26 Charlie Hitchcock  
1/26 Jeremy Walser  
1/30 Roger Clark  
1/31 Marlene Farrow  
1/31 Zoey Lavinder



1/5 Ben & Jennifer Fields  
1/13 John & Linda Legg  
1/18 Shane & Amber Lavinder  
1/30 Robert & Jennifer Chatman

If we are missing your name on the birthday or anniversary list, please call 348-7635 to inform us.



Deacon's Meeting  
Sunday, January 4<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 AM

### ATTENTION SENIOR ADULTS!

Senior Adult Luncheon is scheduled for Thursday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> at 11:30 AM weather permitting. Watch for more information!

Please pray for the students attending Passion in TX, Jan. 1 – 3

Our college students will be flying out Dec. 31; returning Jan. 3

Another exciting year has passed with our Shoebox Ministry. We had a total of 194 shoeboxes packed, including 12 online boxes built. Praise to the Lord for the children that will be introduced to our Jesus! Please continue to pray for the ones receiving the shoeboxes and remember that the Gospel of Jesus is spreading to the ends of the earth.

As you know, we have been tracking our boxes each year for the countries that are receiving them. I wanted to give to you a list of the places we have been able to spread the Love of Jesus from our ministry journey.

2025- Namibia and Hard to Reach areas  
2024- Madagascar and Hard to Reach areas  
2023- Hard to Reach areas  
2022- Benin and South Africa  
2021- Ukraine, Benin and Guyana

The boxes packed online are sent to Hard to Reach areas. I will continue to update if I receive more information.

Thank you to all that donated items, packed a box (or boxes), your love, prayers, support and contributed in any way with our Shoebox Ministry.

We are all Ambassadors for Christ on a Mission!! It's all about Jesus!

Much Love,  
Regina



## MISSIONS SPOTLIGHT



Agape Women's Services ~ Baby Bottle Fundraiser

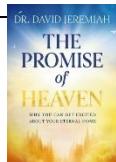
Sanctity of Human Life Day is on January 18<sup>th</sup>. This day was set aside in 1984 by President Reagan to celebrate God's gift of life, commemorate the many lives lost to abortion, and commit to protecting human life at every stage – from conception to natural death.

Sanctity of Human Life Sunday continues to be recognized by churches on the third/fourth Sunday in January. It is annually commemorated by thousands of churches and individuals who want to stand for Life.

We would like to help Agape with their baby bottle fundraiser again this year. Agape Women's Services is a trusted, non-profit pregnancy center and state licensed medical clinic serving women in the Tri-cities area.

You will have an opportunity to give beginning January 18<sup>th</sup>, Sanctity of Human Life Sunday and ending on February 22<sup>nd</sup>. Baby bottles will be provided for your cash, coins, or check. You may also give by placing a check in the offering plate and memo Agape or via their web site [www.agapewomensservices.com](http://www.agapewomensservices.com) or use the QR code. Please pray about your partnership with Agape Women's Services: financial gift to the capital campaign, supporting our baby bottle campaign, prayer, or as the Lord would lead you.

# JANUARY



Ladies Bible Study  
*The Promise of Heaven* by David Jeremiah  
 begins Tuesday, January 6<sup>th</sup>, 10:30 AM  
 at the Family Life Center.

This is a 10–12 week study. If you plan to participate, please purchase a book and study guide from Mardel's in Johnson City or [davidjeremiah.org](http://davidjeremiah.org)

Contact Mary (423-741-3193) if need more information.

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Office closed

NO Meals on Wheels

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Meals on Wheels  
 Jim Thomas

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Team 4 is  
 responsible for  
 Family Life Center  
 in JANUARY.

Students returning  
 from Texas

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6

10:30 AM  
 Ladies Bible  
 Study

7

6:00 PM  
*Youth Bible Study*  
 6:30 PM  
 Children's Ministries  
 Adult Bible Study

8

Meals on Wheels  
 Andy Forbes  
  
 1:00 PM  
 Ladies Luncheon @  
 Black Olive / J. City  
 (office closing 12:30 PM)

9

Meals on Wheels  
 Gail Hulse

10

6:00 PM  
 F.E.A.S.T @  
 Sherri Ryans'  
 home

11

6:00 PM  
 FAMILY NIGHT /  
 Business Meeting  
 \*bring soup or  
 sandwiches



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13

9:00 AM  
 Men's Breakfast  
 @ Café 93  
  
 10:30 AM  
 Ladies Bible  
 Study

14

6:00 PM  
*Youth Bible Study*  
 6:30 PM  
 Children's Ministries  
 Adult Bible Study

15

Meals on Wheels  
 Joe Broyles

16

Meals on Wheels  
 Bo Wheelock

17

10:00 AM – Noon  
 Men to Be  
 Bible Study  
 (breakfast served)

18



Agape Baby Bottle  
 Fundraiser Begins

19

Martin Luther King Jr.  
 Day

20

10:30 AM  
 Ladies Bible  
 Study

21

6:00 PM  
*Youth Bible Study*  
 6:30 PM  
 Children's Ministries  
 Adult Bible Study

22

Meals on Wheels  
 Todd Wheelock  
  
 11:30 AM  
 Senior Adult  
 Luncheon  
 (weather permitting)  
  
 Newsletter  
 Information Due

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Meals on Wheels  
 Randy Millhorn

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10:30 AM  
 Ladies Bible  
 Study

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6:00 PM  
*Youth Bible Study*  
 6:30 PM  
 Children's Ministries  
 Adult Bible Study

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Meals on Wheels  
 Andy Forbes

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Meals on Wheels  
 Don Cutshall

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All day  
 FLC reserved

## JANUARY CHILDREN'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE DURING WORSHIP

### Morning Worship Nursery

- 4 Marsha R., Trish Moody
- 11 Carol H., Traci P.
- 18 Kendra E.
- 25 Stephanie W., Christy V.

### Little Lambs

- Brooke G., Danielle M.
- Leann R., Caitlin R.
- Amy F., Sarah S.
- Michelle & Chris J.

### Bible Buddies

- Brooke W., Candance C.
- D'Lanie R., Jina C.
- Amber L., Mikayla B.
- Gina Van Arden, Jena R.

### Kingdom Kids

- 4 Tammy R., Carol B.
- 11 Danielle M., Kayla K.
- 18 Kathie L., Terri R.
- 25 Bill & Kelly L.

### Kids in Action

- Kara B., Michelle B.
- Jeff C., Hannah B.
- Sherri R., Alena H.
- Misty C., Robin D.

