

Pastor's column

Do you need a miracle?



Mike L. Parker

The Holman Bible Dictionary defines miracle as an event which unmistakably involves an immediate and powerful action of God designed to reveal His character or purposes.

We see all the above requirements being met as Jesus proves in miraculous ways to be our provider - for he truly is God over the

elements. He demonstrated this fact in the book of Exodus when he sent his children manna and quail in the wilderness. He did so again in Luke chapter nine when he turned five loaves of bread and two fish into enough to feed over 5,000 men (not counting women and children) and still had twelve baskets filled with leftovers. And notice that the word says that they all ate and were satisfied. They didn't just nibble on a few morsels, but rather made out like they were at an all you can eat buffet. Can anyone say Golden Corral.

Do you need a miracle of provision? Cry out in faith to the one who is the worker of miracles and our provider, he will demonstrate to you his faithfulness. Nothing is impossible to him. For with God all things are possible, and also to the one who believes.

So Jesus is God over the elements as our provider, but he is also the God over physics as our protector. In Mark chapter six we see that the disciples were in a boat when Jesus came walking toward them on the water. Peter asked to come to him and Jesus said come on.

As Peter was doing so he became distracted and then fearful of his physical surroundings and started to sink into the sea. He cried out to Jesus to save him and upon doing so Jesus reversed the law of gravity and lifted Peter up. What is an important lesson to be learned in this chapter? That it doesn't matter what your physical setting or circumstances may be Jesus the creator of the physical world and its physical laws will orchestrate it all – miraculously- for our good.

Again, do you need a miracle? If so I have good news for you...God still provides them every day. I challenge each of us to reach out in faith and truly believe that all things are possible with God – and to the one who believes!

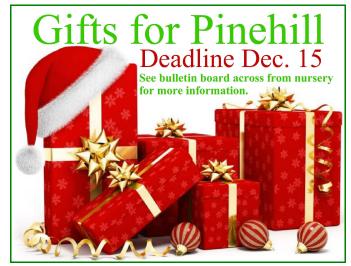
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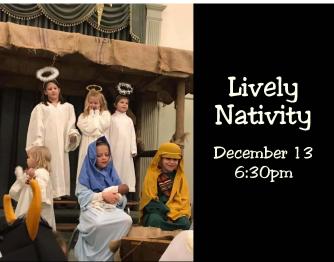


BBC packed 33 Backpacks For Appalachia and 36 Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes. The boxes and backpacks will share the love of Jesus by making lots of children's Christmas a lot brighter.

Also, through the efforts of the GEMS, Seasoned Saints, and Women On Mission, BBC provided five food boxes for families in need in our community so they could have a bountiful Thanksgiving meal.

At our 30th Annual Toyland Concert on December 1 bunches of bunches of toys were donated that will be distributed to families in our community this month. If you know of a family who is in need of help in providing gifts for their children this Christmas, please contact Vicki Lamberth at 478-244-9793.









Praise The Lord! We had three baptisms during the 11am service December 1. Top photo: Interim Pastor Mike Parker about to baptize Joanna Vaughan. Bottom photo: Awaiting baptism Kade Vaughan (left) and Bailey Grace Averill (right).

See more pics from November and the Toyland Concert on our Facebook page.

Jesus...BEST GIFT EVER!



Birthdays

12-5	Tim Phelps
	Nancy Stephensor
12-6	Justin Kirksey
	Rebecca Powell
	Roger Roney
	Peggy Epps
	Gail White
12-8	Nate Kitchens
12-9	Christi Trimback
12-10	Sallie Jones
12-13	Kim Cavanah
	Cecil lames

12-15 Bethany Powell

Mindy Caroll

12-4

Sherry Bragg
12-20 Camryn Thompson
12-21 Tate Scarborough
Davis West
12-23 Kathy Kent
12-24 Stephanie Hancock
12-25 Andy Blankenship
Amber Morgan
Josh Peavy
12-27 Jon-Michael Jones
Becky Willingham

12-28 Mary Jo Gauthier

1-1

Bubba Hunter

12-16 Sheryl Burnam

1-2 Jimmy Barlow
 Steven Lamberth
 Connie Raper
 Rebecca Worley
 1-3 Noah Woodard
 1-4 Dianne Thompson
 1-5 Ryan Godfrey
 John Holt
 Bailee Thompson

Please pray for these folks on their birthday.

Weekly Schedule

SUNDAY	
Sunday School	10AM
Worship	11AM
Worship	6PM
WEDNESDAY	

Prayer/Bible Study..... 6PM

Nursery and.

Nursery and. Children's Church for Sunday 11AM Worship.

December Volunteers (Please arrange coverage if you are unable to serve on your scheduled day.)						
Date	Nursery AM	Children's Church	Deacon of the Week	Offering Bearers		
Dec. 1	Jenn/John John Averill	Vicki Lamberth Robin Peavy	Arthur Roney	Carson Godfrey Tracy Gregory		
Dec. 8	Tori/Vicki Lamberth	Kim/Randy Keene	Joe Kent	Perry Lee Fountain John John Averill		
Dec. 15	Robin/Mark Peavy	Ansley/Cal Scarborough	Arthur Roney	Monta Averill Ronnie Hatcher		
Dec. 22	Brianna/Tricia Kent	Laura/Keith Lamberth	Joe Kent	Joe Kent Taylor Willingham		
Dec. 29	Ansley Scarborough Jean Thompson	Clay/Joanna Vaughan	Arthur Roney	Joseph Lamberth Keith Lamberth		

Gifts for those who already have everything

This Christmas consider giving a life-changing gift in honor of someone you want to give a Christmas gift but you just don't know what to give them because they already have everything. Check out the Baptist Global Response Catalog on the bulletin board across from the nursery. For example, you could buy 10 chickens for \$25 in honor of your special someone. The chickens will not only be a ideal source of food and income for families in need, but future generations can reap the benefits of these poultry powerhouses. Give your special someone, a small, inexpensive chicken to help them remember to pray for the family who got their chickens. Or you could go "whole hog" and buy a whole farm for \$588! Visit www.gobgr.org/christmascatalog for more information.

October Financial \$ummary

October receipts	
General offerings	8 8,230.00
Special-World Hunger	100.00
Other	. 60.40
TOTAL RECEIPTS	8,390.40
October disbursements	
General expenses	. 6,980.50
Mission Georgia (state missions)	. 970.00
Local mission/evangelism	179.59
Houston Baptist Association	347.88
Cooperative Program	993.93
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	9,471.90

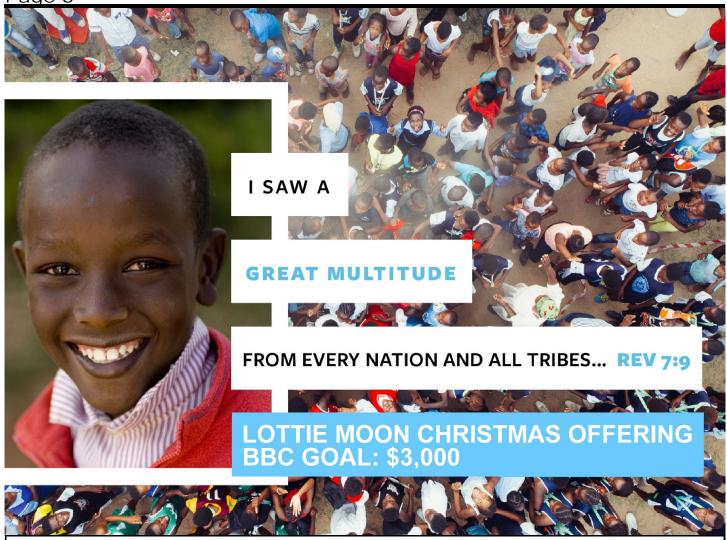
Year To Date Summary

	<u>Actual</u>	Budgeted	Difference
Receipts	94,957.50	94,800.00	+157.50
Disbursements	84,696.08	94,800.00	-10,103.92





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