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a river of hope in a thirsty land

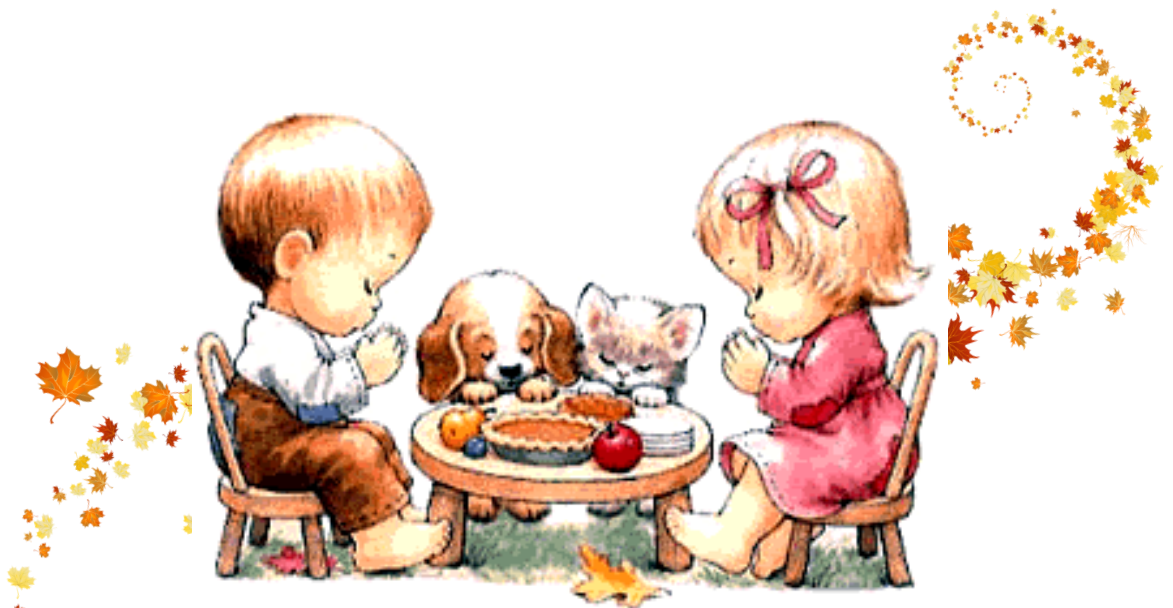
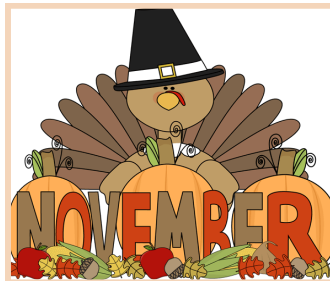
November 2024



COUNT YOUR
BLESSINGS.

NAME THEM ONE BY ONE.

COUNT YOUR
MANY BLESSINGS
SEE WHAT GOD HAS DONE.



AWANA

AWANA in November

Nov 6 AWANA

Nov 13 Red, White, & Blue Night (flag retirement ceremony)

Nov 20 AWANA

Nov 27 Thanksgiving No AWANA

HUGE Thank you to the Guthrie family for hosting our club at the Pumpkin Patch in October. We had perfect weather, perfect location, perfect fellowship and all to raise support for our sister club in Bangladesh!



Children's Church

Thank You Lunch at CICI's Pizza for C4 helpers is being moved to Nov 10th. There will be no Children's Church this day, so helpers please gather in the Fellowship Hall immediately following the 10:30 am service. RSVP with Mrs. Christy.



Kid's Precept

Kids Precept RED CARPET NIGHT!

Nov 17th 4 pm We will celebrate the completion of Jesus: Awesome Power, Awesome Love. We have studied John 11-16 and the Feasts this semester and we are ready to rejoice in the Word.



Children's Choir

Children's Choir will be singing in the worship service Sunday Nov 10th. There will be no Children's Church this day as many of our kids and helpers are in the choir.



Choir will be singing & signing some classic worship songs and invite you to sing to the Lord with us.

Dedication in Dec.

PARENT CHILD CHURCH Dedication December 8th in the 10:30 am service. Contact Christy Johns if you have questions or would like to be a part of this service. This is not only for babies. Families who have adopted or who would like to dedicate older children are welcome to participate. We believe that having the church support parents through prayer and service and discipleship is the best model for seeing kids come to know, love and serve the Lord.

CCA epistola



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Upcoming Dates

November 2 - 5th Annual Royal Fun Run

November 6 - Veteran's Day Chapel

November 11 - Milestone Testing

November 22 - Feed the Need Packing Party & Thanksgiving Lunch

November 25-29 - Thanksgiving Break

Thanks - giving

Colossians 3:17 (ESV)

¹⁷ And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

November is the annual emphasis on giving thanks. But to whom? Many of our secular friends and neighbors live unthankful lives because their understanding of the world and themselves dismiss any deity. Consider 2 Timothy 3:2 as it describes times of difficulty in the last days because people “*will be lovers of self, lovers of money, proud, arrogant, abusive, disobedient to their parents, **ungrateful**, unholy,*” and the list goes on. Believers in the Lord Jesus Christ know differently. We know to whom we are to give thanks.

There are numerous physical and spiritual reasons to give thanks to God the Father through Jesus Christ. If you are asked to give some reasons you are thankful, generally, there are a few things that roll quickly off your tongue, but have you ever tried to expand your thanksgiving to the Lord beyond rote responses? One thing that inhibits us to be thankful is the abundance that surrounds us. Most of our daily mealtime prayers are simply a courtesy thanks to the Lord, but what if we weren't sure if there would be a meal tomorrow or in three days? Would our thanksgiving for the food before us be more heartfelt and intimate? Obviously, it would.

There are people near us and among the nations who don't have a guarantee of their next meal. This urgency is why our Fall fundraiser is partnering with *Feed the Need* in an effort to provide meals for those in need. On Friday morning, November 22, CCA students are seeking to pack 10,000 meals for people in the largest refugee camps in the world. The camps are in southeast Bangladesh near the border of Myanmar. There are an estimated 1.2 million people who live there from the Rohingya people group.

Some of these meals will be going to Osmanpur Children's Home, where almost 100 boys live and attend school. While living at this home throughout the year, the boys attend a Christian school, have safe shelter, receive nutritious food, and learn music. The boys go home to their parents two times during the year. Older boys also learn a trade, such as motorcycle or cell phone repair. *Feed the Need* provides meal packets and Bibles for the boys.

This unique fundraiser is not just about providing meals; it's about helping our students live out the great commission by giving them an on-campus mission experience. It is encouraging them to be globally aware, mission minded, and servant focused. Your support will make a significant difference in their lives and their understanding of discipleship.

During this month of Thanksgiving, give thoughtful and heartfelt thanks to God the Father by living out the course from the hymn "Count your Blessings," which encourages us to "count your blessings and name them one by one." But consider also emulating the Lord Jesus Christ by "giving" so that *"You will be enriched in every way to be generous in every way, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God. For the ministry of this service is not only supplying the needs of the saints but is also overflowing in many thanksgivings to God."* - 2 Corinthians 9:11-12 (ESV)

Our fundraiser goal is \$35,000, with a portion of that going to *Feed the Need* and the majority of funds going to CCA. These funds will allow us to make improvements and upgrades for our students so they can live out the great commission supported by a classical education.

Finally, in the next column are some meal time prayers you may want to incorporate during this month of Thanksgiving to move beyond rote, half-hearted prayers. Let us join our hearts in Thanksgiving and "giving" that it will produce more thanksgiving in His name and for His glory.

Giving Thanks,
David Delmotte
CCA Headmaster

Morning

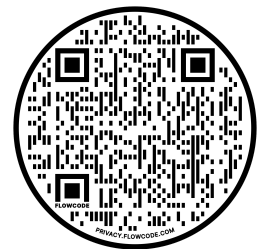
*Our Father, every day you give
The food by which our bodies live.
For this we thank you from our heart
And pray that as we this day start,
You might allow our eyes to see
Your endless generosity.
And grant that when we thus are filled,
We may do only what you've willed.*

Midday

*We're grateful, Father, for this hour
To rest and draw upon your power,
Which you have shown in sun and rain
And measured out to every grain.
Let all this food which you have made
And graciously before us laid
Restore our strength for these next hours
That you may have our fullest powers.*

Evening

*How faithful, Father, is your care;
Again as always food is there.
Again you have set us before
A meal we pray will mean much more
Than single persons filled with food;
Let there be, Lord, a loving mood.
And as you make our bodies new,
Come now and feed our oneness too.!*



¹ Piper, Noël. *Treasuring God in Our Traditions*. Crossway, 2007. pg 47



SCAN ME



Students, family members, and friends come join the fun.

- 1 Mile Walk/Run - \$15
- 5K - \$35 (T-Shirt Included)*



This event will be managed and timed by Terra Running Co.

*T-Shirts available while supplies last.



Shoebox Ministry

Exciting shoebox activities have happened over 2024.... now, November and early December will witness the conclusion of a great year! There are over 1650 shoeboxes packed full of toys, t-shirts, hygiene items and school supplies. 651 of them already have paid labels on them!!! That's simply amazing!...it's been fun to watch the Lord provide. Now, we need to get them into position to finish the 2024 task. Here's the plan:

Fri., Nov 1.....Cartonize paid-label shoeboxes

Fri., Nov. 8.....CCA helps move the shoeboxes

Sun., Nov. 10.... Shoebox Offering

Tues., Nov. 19....Cartonize remaining, now-labeled shoeboxes



Deliver to First Baptist

Tues., Dec 3.....Help at Processing Center in Acworth, GA (must be 13 or older) (Contact Jean Dunn at 423.614.0273 if you want to sign up.)

Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!

to all the groups who faithfully signed up & served in 2024! (some twice!)

Preparing & Delivering (& possibly serving) a meal on the 2nd Tuesday of the month to the

Cleveland Emergency Shelter

If your small group is interested in serving one month in 2025, ... See the list in your group folder or contact Marilyn at the Office 479-3731 **Thank you, Again!**

Precept studies at Candies Creek

Starting in January we will have 3 different books offered for study precept upon precept.

Wed Nights - Revelation part 2 @5:45 for 12 weeks Starts Jan 8

Thursday mornings - at 9 am we have Sermon on the Mount for 10 weeks and Revelation part 2 (12 weeks) starts Jan 9

Monday nights - The book of Romans part 1 for 14 weeks starting Jan 13th Please begin signing up now!

It's our dream to see many different groups of all ages studying Precept Upon Precept through the word of God here at CCBC. I would like to encourage both men and women to ask one of us about the online level 4 & 5 training available. -Amy Martin 331-8822





WOW! Friends-Giving Brunch

"Praise Him in the Storm"

Saturday, November 16, 2024

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM in the Student Building

Bring a finger food (with a recipe card) and a friend!

Please register to reserve your seat and childcare via
QR Code or Sign-Up sheet by November 11th.



Special Guests:



Tammy Murray



Leah Hughes



Zandra Welch



Fill the **PINK** Buckets!
THE LAST DAY TO DONATE
"Got Her Covered" product is
November 16th!



Shining On

*Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your good works,
and glorify your Father who is in heaven.*

Matthew 5:16

Oh God, our Heavenly, Holy, Loving Father who has redeemed us from the wrath to come:

This world, with its ever-changing seasons of political turmoil, social division, and moral decay seems to be engulfed in darkness that can discourage and overwhelm us when we just look *around*. Stir in us a deeper desire for time spent in prayer to You; move us, O Lord, by Your In-dwelling Holy Spirit, to look *up*, to seek You for the answers we need, for the direction we should go, for the words we should speak, for the love we must show, and for the Light we are called to reflect into the darkness that surrounds us.

When the deceptive ways of the world confuse and confound, protect us, Lord, from being misled and misguided. Draw us into Your Word and make its Truth the lamp that guides our feet and the light that reveals our path. Bow our hearts in prayerful meditation, so that we may live faithfully according to Your precepts and statutes. Give us grateful hearts, joyful attitudes, serene spirits, and bold confidence as we resist the enemy and draw near to You, empowered by Your Grace to live steadfastly as light in the darkness, to speak Truth with lovingkindness, to draw others to you even in the face of hostility or oppression.

We know that You are the Light of the world. Isaiah (in chapter 60) prophetically proclaimed to people living in great darkness, *"Arise, shine, for your Light has come..."* The opening verses of the Gospel of John tell us that in Christ *"was life, and that life was the light of men. That light shines in the darkness, and yet the darkness did not [and will not] overcome it."* Jesus testified of Himself, *"I am the Light of the world; he who follows Me will not walk in the darkness, but will have the Light of life."* John 8:12

Thank you, Lord, for the gift of prayer, for we are confident that You hear our earnest pleas, and prayer is the power that fuels our light. May our prayer lives be so intentional and consistent that the Light of Christ within us never dims, but rather glows brighter in its radiance and broader in its reach as we humbly and obediently follow Your call on our lives.

May we be unwavering in our study of the Word and commitment to Prayer so that we in the Body of Christ are known to live as *"...a lamp shining in a dark place..."*

2 Peter 1:19





Dear Brothers & Sisters who find their identity “in Christ,”

I praise God that you are spiritually burdened for people. When we live in God's love, then we want others to know God's love and live in God's love. See more details in this newsletter for “**Spiritually Burdened 1 • 2 • 3.**” In 2024, pray that by **grace** we will **rehearse, apply and share the gospel.**

The student pastor search team is please to let you know that **Jed Cole and his wife Madison will be with us the weekend after Thanksgiving in view of a call.** There will be a packet available for you beginning Sunday November 17 that will provide more details. If you have pause or if you have questions, then please let me or one of the search team members know before we vote as a congregation. We have gathered input from the congregation and want to keep hearing from you, especially if you are unsettled. Search teams serve the congregation and put in a lot of work!

Thank you for your prayers for our family. I have not had to use an epipen since September 20 after discovering that I have **Alpha Gal Syndrome.** On top of long covid, Heather has been battling **pericarditis**, a kidney infection and nausea. She still has other on-going struggles with different systems in her body. Please continue to pray for her. Our house is really taking shape. We believe we will be in sometime between Thanksgiving and Christmas, which is 6-7 months after the footers were poured!

Please continue to pray for our **stewardship team** with Josh Shoemaker & Scotty Smith co-chairing. Also pray for the **GEM (Global Evangelization Ministry) Team** with Jamie Work and Jake Beard co-chairing. Also pray for our **personnel team** with Rick Stooddy chairing. The other personnel team members are Toni Goodwin, Shane Griffith, Annette Markham and Andy Strike. **These are key teams in planning the 2025 budget!** Feel free to share any input or concerns with me, any of these team chairs or any of the members of these teams.

Living in the love of God,
Pastor Stan

Simple Overview

1 • 2 • 3 — Spiritually Burdened

Being Guided by the Holy Spirit
Leaning on and Pointing to the Word

1 NAME October

Take **one month** to pray for God to put two people on your heart who you are spiritually burdened for.

Do you have two?

2 PRAY November-December

Take two months to continue to pray for those **two people**.

Are you praying and partnering with God in His love for the two that you are spiritually burdened for?

3 LISTEN November-December

During those two months, slow down with one or both of them in **three conversations** (short or long) where you ask a question and/or listen to what is going on in their life spiritually.

Are you asking in love and listening in love to draw out the heart in order to provide clarity and care for their soul with God's glory and the gospel in mind?

Here is an optional list of sample questions to pick one or two in order to drop in a conversation as the Lord leads instead of asking all the questions.

Spiritually Burdened discerning lostness: Living Sent — Inviting Along — Proclaiming Christ

Questions from Gospel 101

1. In your view, what is the main message of the **Bible**? **1 Peter 1:16**
2. Do you think there is more than one way to **God**? Explain. **John 14:6**
3. **(Man)**: On a scale of one to ten, one being completely evil and ten being completely good, how would you rate people in general?
Roman 3:23
4. Who is **Jesus** to you? **John 1:14**

Listening in order to provide clarity and cure for their soul

Spiritually Burdened for a brother or sister in Christ: Gathering — Equipping — Loving

Questions from Biblical Counseling and the Vision Team

1. How does the **Bible** give you hope? **Romans 8:28**
2. How can I help you please **God** (in this situation)? **2 Corinthians 5:9**
3. **(Man)**: When you are struggling or suffering in this sinful world, how do you want God to change you or how do you want God to change your circumstances? **James 1:2-3**
4. How are you looking to **Jesus** for identity, security and purpose (or hope and peace) (or power and victory)? **Galatians 2:20**

Listening in order to provide clarity and care for their soul

Listening in order to discern: Glory — Gospel — Surrendering — Abiding — Worshiping

Example from CCBC's playbook on embodying & passing on the gospel

1. Tell me a little bit about yourself (listen for any spiritual launching pad).
2. Tell me a little bit about your faith background.
3. Why did you initially **surrender** to King Jesus? **Proverbs 3:5-6**

Listening in order to provide cure or care for their soul

Goals for **Spiritually Burdened 1 • 2 • 3**

1. 150-200 people naming two people they are spiritually burdened for.
2. Fellow workers being encouraged by the synergy of praying together and providing clarity and care for people's souls in a congregational invitation and challenge.
3. Fellow workers growing in their own understanding of God's glory and the gospel as well as loving others in conversations and relationships.
4. Fellow workers learning to love others by asking questions and listening in order to point to the cure or provide care.

Becoming spiritually burdened as a lifestyle

The cries of a woman desperate to be a mother were answered by her gracious God. When Samuel was born to Hannah, she chose a name that means, “God has heard.”

In response to God’s compassionate miracle in her life, Hannah offered a prayer of praise that framed the depth of her thankfulness:

“My heart rejoices in the Lord; in the Lord my horn is lifted high. My mouth boasts over my enemies, for I delight in your deliverance. There is no one holy like the Lord; there is no one besides you; there is no Rock like our God” (1 Samuel 2:1-2).

As the Giver of Life and the Restorer of Hope, God responds to the heart cries of His people. Whether we seek Him for deliverance of a family member or for a sweeping move of spiritual awakening across our nation, God hears our prayers. We don’t know the specifics of how He might answer, but we know there is no one like Him—and our hearts can always “rejoice in the Lord.”

Let thankfulness guide your prayers as we cry out for God’s reviving presence.

1 Ask God to give you a heart that rejoices in Him and remembers to always delight in the many ways He delivers you—even when you don’t see immediate answers to your prayers (1 Samuel 2:1).

2 Declare out loud that “there is no one holy like the LORD; there is no one besides you; there is no Rock like our God.” Let it be the affirmation of your heart (1 Samuel 2:2).

3 Offer thanks to God that “the foundations of the earth are the LORD’s” and “He will guard the feet of His faithful servants.” Praise Him that every aspect of your life is under His control (1 Samuel 2:8-9).

4 As we approach national and local elections, give thanks that God is the One who “deposes kings and raises up others.” Pray for His mercy in raising up godly leaders who will govern with wisdom and discernment (Daniel 2:21).

5 Pray that today, as a nation, we will “choose some wise, understanding and respected men [and women]” to serve as godly leaders who will look to the Lord for His wisdom (Deuteronomy 1:13).

6 Pray that in the ways you speak and act, you will do “all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him” (Colossians 3:17).

7 Praise God for your salvation through Jesus Christ. Invite Him to build you up, strengthen your faith, and cause your heart to overflow with thanksgiving (Colossians 2:6-7).

8 It is through Jesus that you can “continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise.” If you struggle with doubt and fear, renew your trust in the Lord by praising His glorious name (Hebrews 13:15).

9 In the midst of uncertainty that may surround you in personal ways, be reminded today to “give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever” (1 Chronicles 16:34).

10 We live in times of turmoil, threat, division, and even danger. Yet, we are reminded that we can always rejoice and “give thanks in all circumstances.” Pray that you will trust God’s purposes, which include His care for you—all because of Jesus Christ (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18).

11 Express your gratitude to God as the One “who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases” and “redeems your life from the pit” with love and compassion. Thank Jesus for rescuing you and your loved ones from the curse of sin (Psalm 103:3-4).

12 Kingdoms come and go, but God’s Kingdom “cannot be shaken.” This is reason to “be thankful, and so worship God with reverence and awe.” Pray that your loved ones will worship the one, true God and be secure in Him (Hebrews 12:28).

13 Give thanks to God for His indescribable gift of grace through Jesus Christ. Pray that your family and loved ones will fully embrace this gift of salvation (2 Corinthians 9:15).

14 “Let the redeemed of the LORD tell their story”—as ones who have been “redeemed from the hand of the foe.” Thank God for His redemption—and pray for opportunities to tell others of God’s story of grace (Psalm 107:1-2).

15 “Give thanks to the LORD because of his righteousness” showered upon us through Jesus Christ. Praise the name of the Lord Most High for His reviving work in your life, your family, and your church (Psalm 7:17).

16 True peace in times of personal and national turmoil comes only by allowing “the peace of Christ to rule in your hearts.” And as we do so, we are instructed to be thankful. Invite that greater peace to reign in your family and in our nation (Colossians 3:15).

17 Devotion to prayer with watchfulness and thankfulness can open the door to the proclamation of Christ. With gratitude for your own salvation, pray for a spiritual awakening in our nation (Colossians 4:2-3).

18 Think of a favorite hymn and then “praise God’s name in song and glorify him with thanksgiving.” Let your voice be counted with those who are right now praising God around His throne (Psalm 69:30).

19 Reflect on the wonderful things God has done in your life, and then give thanks to Him with all your heart. Now ask God to give you opportunities to proclaim His glorious deeds to those wavering in their hope (Psalm 9:1).

20 Pray that Jesus’ name will be exalted and that His deeds of salvation will be known among the nations (Isaiah 12:4).

21 Pray that the Spirit will revive your church so that “from them will come songs of thanksgiving and the sound of rejoicing.” Ask God to fill the hearts of His people with joyous worship that brings unity in Christ throughout churches across your community (Jeremiah 30:19).

22 Praise the Lord that He is “the Rock of our salvation” and we can come before Him with thanksgiving because He is “the great King above all gods” and all things are in His hands. Thank God that He has blessed you and your family with untold riches (Psalm 95:1-5).

23 Pray that no matter your circumstances, you will “rejoice in the Lord always” because “the Lord is near.” Invite an even greater presence of the Spirit in your home as you display your joy and thanksgiving to your family (Philippians 4:4-5).

24 Pray that you will demonstrate to a lost world that you are not “anxious about anything,” but instead you can pray about everything with thanksgiving. Pray that your confidence and peace in Jesus will lead others to Him (Philippians 4:6-7).

25 The psalmist says, “The LORD has done it this very day; let us rejoice today and be glad.” Surrender your day to the Lord and invite Him to work in marvelous and powerful ways, especially on behalf of your friends and family who need to experience His love (Psalm 118:24).

26 Praise God “with an upright heart” and thank Him for His “righteous laws.” Pray that our nation will recognize that His decrees are the right way to live. Ask Him for a spiritual awakening to the life He gives through His truth and justice (Psalm 119:7-8).

27 Reflect on “every good and perfect gift” that comes from “the Father of the heavenly lights.” Think about the ways He has blessed you, thank Him, and make it a point to share His good gifts with others leading up to Thanksgiving (James 1:17).

28 On this Thanksgiving Day, “honor the LORD with your wealth.” Praise Him that because of His kindness, “your barns will be filled to overflowing.” He has blessed you with much. Invite your family to join you in deep gratitude (Proverbs 3:9-10).

29 Pray that you, your church, and your loved ones will “be filled with the Spirit” and that together you can express joy “and make music from your heart to the Lord.” Pray that your thankful hearts will overflow every day of the year (Ephesians 5:18-19).

30 God is so good! Rejoice in “giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.” May He revive you, your church, and your community with His powerful presence and saving grace (Ephesians 5:20).

SUNDAYS

Early Worship Service.....8:00 am
Community Groups.....9:15-10:15 am
Late Worship Service10:00 am
Kid's Precept.....4:00 pm
Adult & Children's Choir.....6:00 pm

WEDNESDAYS

AWANA.....6:00-7:30 pm
Life 122 (StuB).....6:15 pm
Prayer Meeting (WC).....6:00 pm
Ladies Bible Study.....6:00 pm

THURSDAYS

Men's Prayer Meeting6:30 am
Ladies Bible Study.....9:00 am
Praise Team Practice.....6:30 pm



Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

November

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**Royal
Fun Run
9 am**

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Adolph Baby Shower
2-4 pm/StuB
Outreach 3:00 pm

**Cleveland Emergency
Shelter Meal Night**
5:30 pm -



Shoebox Ministry
2:00 pm w/CCA Students

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**Children's Choir &
Shoebox Offering**
8 & 10:30 am
Deacons Mtg.
4:30 pm
Students CONNECT
Night/6:00pm/Steinle's

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**Senior Adult
Lunch**
11:30 am/F.H.



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**Ladies WOW!
Friendsgiving
Brunch**
10 am - 2 pm



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Last 2024 C4

**Last 2024
Kid's Precept**

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**Student
Friendsgiving/
Meadowview**

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**CCA "FEED THE
NEED" packing
&
Thanksgiving Meal**

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TG Break



No Evening Gatherings

Office Closed

Meet & Greet

"Give Thanks unto the Lord, for He is good: for His mercy endureth forever." -Psalm 107:1



CANDIES CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH
294 OLD EUREKA RD.
CHARLESTON, TN 37310

Stan Gibson, Lead Pastor
Sammy Parris, Worship Pastor
Christy Johns, Preschool & Children's Director

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

1st	Traci Blackburn, Noah Loudermilk
2nd	Nicolas Burnette, Josh Ensley, David Delmotte, Charlie Wattenbarger
3rd	David Gluckner, Tom Carroll
6th	Sadie Gibson, Liam Coleman, Chandler Hunt, Tommy Allison
8th	Kim Gregg, Mike Ledford
12th	Ledger Johns, Gretchen Shoemaker
13th	Tammy Willis, Denise Neuendorf
14th	Hayden Moore
16th	Josh Olmstead
20th	Billie Jean Strike
22th	Eve Beard, Teresa Borders, Martha Wattenbarger, Kevin Goodwin
23rd	Josiah Parris
24th	Levi Geyman, Sydney Delmotte
25th	Cecilia Rench, Brian Rench
26th	Rick Adolph
27th	Kirk Martin
28th	Parker Roberts
30th	Capri Nation, Tom Jolley



One Minute Clinic

And he said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."

Luke 10:2