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### From the Senior Pastor

Can you believe that November has come and gone and the best month of the year is here? DECEMBER! December is my favorite month for many reasons. Christmas carols, Christmas trees, Christmas lights, Christmas cookies and Christmas movies. But the most important reason of them all is the birth of Christ! December is a busy month for us here at Macedonia! We have the Children's Christmas program, Soups, Sandwiches and Sleigh Riding, Christmas Eve service, and 10:30am Sunday morning worship on Christmas day!

The Lord sure is moving here at Macedonia. It is my hope and prayer that as the hustle and bustle of the Christmas season approaches, that each of us will continue to be faithful to what God has called us to as we look to Him with an eager expectation for what He has in store!



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## Christmas @ MBC

**December 11, 10:30am:** Children's Christmas Program

**December 11, 12:00pm:** Soups, Sandwiches and Sleigh Riding

**December 24, 5:00pm:** Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service

**December 25, 10:30am:** Christmas Morning Worship

*Nursery will not be available on December 11, December 24, and December 25 so all families can enjoy services. There will be no Sunday School on December 25.*



**When the kindness and love  
of God our Savior appeared,  
he saved us.**

Titus 3:4-5, NIV



Church office hours  
are  
Monday-Friday,  
8am-2pm

After hours, email:

[jrobinson@mbcworship.org](mailto:jrobinson@mbcworship.org)

or call 270-686-8616

and leave message.

January 4..... Bill Gutsche  
 February 1..... Delivery/ Sponsor Needed  
 March 1..... Delivery/ Sponsor Needed  
 April 5..... Prepare & Deliver Meal  
 May 3..... Delivery/ Sponsor Needed

Volunteers/Sunday School Classes are needed to prepare and deliver supper to Crossroads Women & Children's Shelter on the **first Wednesday Night** of the month.

On the months we have a Wednesday Night Meal, extra food is prepared for Crossroads.

On these nights we need a delivery person and financial sponsors to cover the extra cost of the meal (about \$30). Currently, Crossroads provides shelter to 20 women nightly and relies on volunteers to provide supper. Food needs to be delivered to 1631 Breckenridge Street, (across the street from the Health Dept.) between 7:00-7:15pm in disposable containers. For questions or to sign up for a month please email Jo Robinson: [jrobinson@mbcworship.org](mailto:jrobinson@mbcworship.org) or call the church office 270-686-8616, during office hours.

## Wednesday Night Activities 5:00pm-7:00pm

5:00pm	Meal
<i>December 7</i>	<i>Fried Chicken, Hashbrown Casserole, Corn, Rolls, Dessert</i>
<i>December 14</i>	<i>Loaded Nachos</i>
<i>December 21</i>	<i>No Meal or Activities-Christmas Break</i>
<i>December 28</i>	<i>No Meal or Activities-Christmas Break</i>

*Suggested Donation:*  
*Adults (13+) \$5; Children (4-12) \$3; Three years and younger, free.*  
*\$20 family limit. (Register on the bulletin Connect Card or call the church office)*

5:45pm	Wednesday Night Opening, Worship Center - Everyone
6:00-7:00pm	AWANA Brite-Nite (3 y/o thru 5th grade), 2nd & 3rd floor Student Ministry (6th thru 12th grade) Prayer & Bible Study, Room 104 (Adults) Women's Bible Study, Prayer Room

## Children's Ministry Update

Hello and Happy December,

I can't believe we have already almost reached the end of another year! As most of you know, the end of December marks the close of my time as the Children's Coordinator at Macedonia. I plan to remain here and still be involved with this ministry as long as the Lord plans to use me, my family does not have any plans to leave. Please join me in praying for my future replacement. I truly believe the Lord is preparing the next leader for that position and things will keep moving forward.

We are continuing with Christmas play practice during Sunday mornings, in preparation for our program on December 11. We have had a lot of kids out sick so we have had to tweak our program some, but they have worked hard when they are here and I can't wait for you to see it. Our play will be December 11 and the December 18 will be our last Children's church for the year. We will have a birthday party for Jesus and celebrate their hard work.

I don't want to end this message without thanking all of you for allowing me the opportunity to be your Children's Coordinator! It has been a blessing to work with the kids and serve alongside so many of you, as I mentioned before I still plan on being useful in this ministry. I wish each and every family a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, may you take this season to reflect on the greatest gift ever while concentrating on probably the most popular verse to memorize: "For God so loved the world He gave His one and only Son that whoever believes in Him will not perish, but have everlasting life" John 3:16

### Monthly Meals for St. Benedict's Homeless Shelter (Every 2nd Thursday)

December 8 ..... Women on Mission  
 January 13..... Master Men's Class  
 February 9..... Couples for Christ  
 March..... Class of Joy  
 April 13 ..... Faith & Fellowship  
 May 11 ..... Class of Faith

### Please keep our Student Pastor Search Team lifted in prayer

- Jordan Bostick
- Drew Gregory
- Tracy Gutsche
- Karen Katchuk
- Nathan Maxwell
- Amanda Roberts
- Kelly Wagner



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**CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM**  
**"THE CHRISTMAS CUPCAKE"**  
**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11**  
**DURING MORNING WORSHIP**





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MISSION BOARD

# OUR CHURCH'S GOAL \$3,000



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Christmas Offering to enable gospel  
transformation among the unreached.

## Lottie Moon Week of Prayer - December 4-11

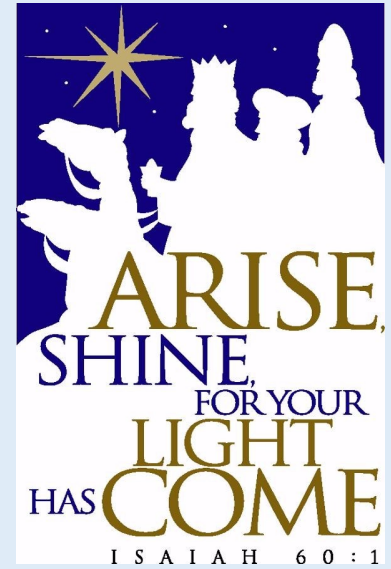
## Operation Christmas Child: 316 Boxes given

I could not have been more blown away by the response to packing these shoeboxes. Not only did we meet our goal of 300, but the Lord provided extra boxes for us to surpass that goal. In the week leading up to our packing party, I counted our boxes no less than 10 times, and that's not an exaggeration. And each time I came up with 315.

Each time my mother counted them, it was 315. Each time Kaitlin counted them, it was 315. **As of 11/14/22, we have 316 boxes.** That's certainly no coincidence that the most well-known Bible verse in history is John 3:16. This verse serves as the real reason we packed these boxes, as with each box a child receives, they will also receive the Gospel presentation, which the entirety of the Gospel is encapsulated in this verse. God showed up, and showed out.

I'm already looking ahead to next year, and I pray that you are too. Next year, we are looking to pack 400 boxes. Leaning on God's faithfulness, this is a goal I feel is more than attainable. But in order to reach this goal, I ask you to prayerfully start collecting items right now! With Christmas just around the corner, you may find deals on some great items for these shoe boxes. And once Christmas is over, you may also find lots of great items on clearance. I'll soon be releasing our goal and strategy for 2023, so keep an eye out for that.

Thank you all again. If you donated any items, if you gave financially to the shipping, or if you helped pack a box, you helped to share the Gospel with 316 children. This is why we do it. This is what we are called to do. Thank you all again for giving faithfully.



## Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service December 24, 5:00pm

Join us in the Worship Center on  
Saturday, December 24 at 5pm for  
our Christmas Eve Candlelight  
Communion Service.



## CHRISTMAS CARDS

MBC families are invited to take advantage of our in-house mailboxes located near the Church Office to send Christmas Cards to those who attend Macedonia. . . don't forget to check for your own mailbox each week!



## Monday, December 5 6:00pm, MAC Room

Those who are at least "50-something" are invited to the Slyders Fellowship. Dinner will be provided for a suggested donation of \$4/person. Please sign up at the Welcome Desk so that we can plan for the meal.

If you have any questions, please contact  
Sheila Davis, 270-231-0428



# Soups, Sandwiches & Sleigh Riding

**Sunday, December 11**

**Following Morning Worship**

Join us for Soup & Sandwiches in the MAC Room, and Sleigh Riding in the parking Lot. You're invited to take Christmas Themed Snapshots in the Foyer with your own device through Christmas.

## DONATIONS FOR CHRISTMAS BASKETS

On Saturday, December 10, the Deacons will deliver Christmas Food baskets to families from Country Heights Elementary School that may need a little extra help during the Christmas season. Sunday School classes & church families have been asked to bring certain items to help fill these baskets.

*Please bring donations by Sunday, December 4.*

- Faith and Fellowship ..... canned soups
- Journey with Jesus ..... mac & cheese and boxes stuffing mix
- Couples for Christ ..... pancake mix & syrup
- Sisters in Christ boxed instant mashed potatoes & packets of gravy mix
- Class of Faith ..... canned green beans and canned carrots
- Class of Joy ..... cake mix & frosting
- Master Men Fellowship ..... canned corn & canned peas

Other basket items that are needed: *Hygiene products, toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, shampoo, soap, peanut butter, saltine crackers.* Monetary donations can also be used to purchase the items we're lacking.

Please designate to "Christmas Baskets" in the memo line.

## CANVAS BLESSINGS DECEMBER EVENTS



**"Christmas Mouse"** Acrylic on 12x12 canvas  
Busy Brushes (Boys & Girls: Ages 3-7 years old.)  
December 3, 9am-11am, Fellowship Hall  
Cost: \$15 per child



**"Jovial Santa"** Acrylic on 12x24 canvas  
For Guys and Girls 3<sup>rd</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade  
December 3, Fellowship Hall  
Cost: \$25



**"Shimmering Reindeer"** Acrylic on 11x14 canvas  
December 9, 1-3pm or 6-8pm, Fellowship Hall  
Cost: \$35 adults, \$25 grades 6-12, \$20 grades 3-5

**Call/Text Connie Stephens, 270-929-9564, to participate or for questions**

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Andy, Ashleigh & Turner Crowe  
Paisley McNeil

# Thank You!

Thank you Macedonia Church family for the visits and calls during this difficult time of loss. Your prayers were truly felt. A special thank you to all who brought food and served the meal, it was wonderful! A special thank you to Bro. Conner, he is a blessing to our family and church.

~The Roberts family

To our Church Family,  
Thanks to everyone for your prayers, phone calls, and food during our second bout with covid. Things are much better and we are thankful for each and everyone of you.  
May God Bless each of you,

~Carroll & Kaye Quisenberry

## With Deepest Sympathy

To the family and friends of  
Suzanne Phillips who passed away on  
November 21, 2022

# O come, O COME Emmanuel

# This Month @ Macedonia

## Saturday, December 3

9:00am Canvas Blessings / Busy Brushes (3-7 y/o)  
1:00pm Canvas Blessings, Fellowship Hall

## Sunday, December 4

### Lottie Moon Week of Prayer (Dec 4-11)

9:15am Sunday School (All ages)  
10:30am Morning Worship, Worship Center  
10:30am Children's Christmas Program Practice, Room 204  
5:00pm Seasonal Choir, Worship Center  
6:00pm Children's Program Dress Rehearsal  
No Life Group

## Monday, December 5

6:00pm Slyders, MAC Room

## Wednesday, December 7

5:00pm Wednesday Night Meal  
5:45pm AWANA Brite Opening, Worship Center  
6:00pm Brite Night Large and Small Groups  
Student Ministry, Student Room  
Prayer & Bible Study, Room 104  
Women's Bible Study, Prayer Room

## Thursday, December 9

St. Benedict's Meal -WOM

## Saturday, December 10

7:00am Christmas Baskets Delivery

## Sunday, December 11-

### Children's Christmas Program (No Nursery)

9:15am Sunday School  
10:30am Morning Worship, Worship Center  
12:00pm Soup, Sandwiches and Sleigh Riding  
5:00pm Seasonal Choir  
No Life Group

## Wednesday, December 14

5:00pm Wednesday Night Meal  
5:45pm AWANA Brite Opening, Worship Center  
6:00pm Brite Night Large and Small Groups  
Student Ministry, Student Room  
Prayer & Bible Study, Room 104  
Women's Bible Study, Prayer Room  
7:15pm Deacon's Meeting

## Sunday, December 18

9:15am Sunday School  
10:30am Morning Worship, Worship Center  
Children's Church, Room 204  
No Life Group

## Wednesday, December 21

No Activities- Christmas Break

## Friday, December 23

Church Office Closed

## Saturday, December 24- Christmas Eve

5:00pm Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service, Worship Center

## Sunday, December 25 -Christmas Day

10:30am Morning Worship  
No Sunday School/ Nursery or Children's Church available.  
No Life Group

## Monday, December 26

Church Office Closed

## Wednesday, December 28

No Activities- Christmas Break

## Friday, December 30

End of Year Contributions due by Noon

**The church office will be closed**  
**Friday, December 23**  
**Monday, December 26**  
**Monday, January 2**  
**in observance of Christmas Eve**  
**Christmas Day and New Year's Day**

**Have a Merry Christmas and a Blessed 2023!**

## 2022 END OF YEAR CONTRIBUTIONS

In order to receive giving credit for your 2022 tax return, please submit all contributions to the church **no later than 12 Noon on Friday, Dec. 30, 2022.** Donations sent by U.S. Mail, must be postmarked no later than December 31, 2022. Checks that are pre-dated but received in January will apply to 2023 records.



## 2023 Contribution Envelopes are available at the Welcome Desk

Thank you for your continued faithfulness in supporting Macedonia Baptist church with your tithes and offerings. If you do not have a box of envelopes please contact the church office and we will get one to you!



## Budget Offering

<b>Weekly Budget Required</b>	<b>\$9,154.22</b>
<b>Budget Offering Received</b>	
October 30	\$5,042.00
November 6	\$8,450.00
November 13	\$8,032.00
November 20	\$9,294.00
Budget Needed YTD	\$73,233.75
Budget Received YTD	\$59,637.00

## Sunday Attendance

	AM Worship	S.S.
October 30	153	105
November 6	139	91
November 13	160	88
November 27	144	94

## Deacons on Call

12/4	Carroll Quisenberry	Bill Parrish
12/11	Brian Roberts	Paul Sapp
12/18	Scott Katchuk	Jordan Bostick
12/25	Bill Parrish	Kevin Wilson

## Security Schedule

12/4	Josh Keister	Jordan Bostick
12/11	Carroll Quisenberry	Steve Hawkins
12/18	Logan Stempien	Drew Gregory
12/25	Ray Morrison	Kevin O'Bryan

## Nursery Volunteers

12/4	Marijane McNeil, Norma Vanover Kaitlin Covington, Samantha Bostick
12/11	<i>No Nursery Today so all can enjoy the Children's Christmas Program</i>
12/18	Shannon McKeever, Trish Hawkins, Casey Stempien, Kim Gregory
12/25	<i>No Nursery so all can enjoy Christmas Worship together</i>



# Joy to the World

DIRECTIONS: Find and circle the vocabulary words in the grid. Look for them in all directions including backwards and diagonally.



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|--------------|---------|-------------|
| ADVENT       | INFANT  | MYRRH       |
| ANGEL        | JESUS   | NATIVITY    |
| BETHLEHEM    | JOSEPH  | REJOICE     |
| BIRTH        | MAGI    | STABLE      |
| BLESSINGS    | MANGER  | STAR        |
| CAMELS       | MARY    | THREE KINGS |
| FRANKINCENSE | MIRACLE | WISE MEN    |