

The Channel

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I was cleaning up the choir room after a busy Christmas season when I noticed the white board. After weeks of scribbles from dry-erase markers, it desperately needed a good cleaning. Across the entire face of the board were streaks and smears of different colors pressed on so much that I knew I would need more than the eraser. So I found a bottle of cleaning fluid and some paper towels, sprayed the liquid on the board, and began to scrub.

As the board slowly became a gleaming spotless white once again, it reminded me of my years in elementary school when my teachers would wash the chalkboard after days of writing and erasing left a chalky film all over it. A good scrubbing with water and paper towels produced a board that looked brand new to me, and I remember wishing that the teachers wouldn't have to write on it the next day. But when they began to write, the words looked so clear and crisp with the clean background. It was great until something had to be erased. Then the chalky smear returned, and I would look forward to the next cleaning.

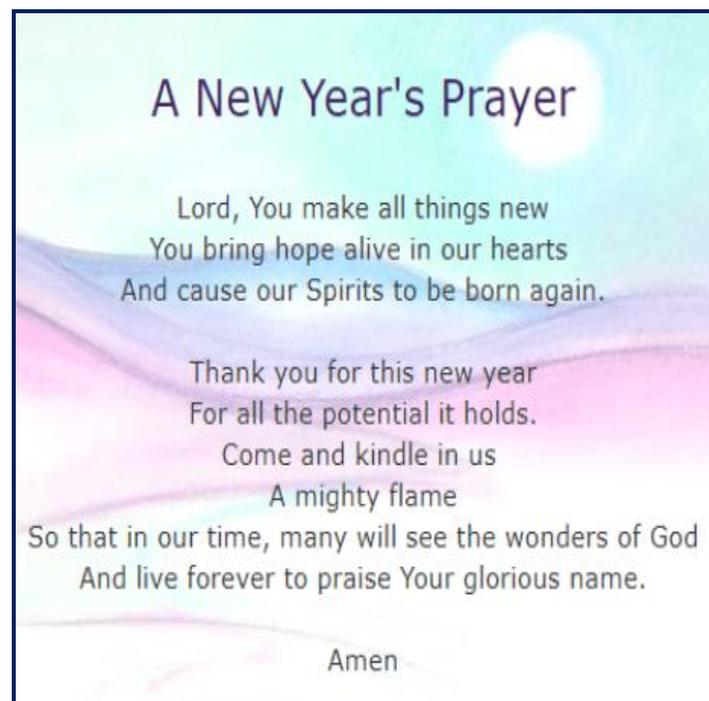
We often speak of the beginning of a new year as a "clean slate," helping us feel like we are jumping into a new year with the streaks, smears, and film of the past removed. How relieved we feel when we commit to start anew, let go of the past, and head into the future unburdened by previous mistakes or misfortunes.

The good news is that God offers us this chance more than just once a year. He is ready at all times to clean the boards of our lives, allowing us to face life's opportunities and challenges with fresh vision and energy, unhindered by the smears of the past. Unfortunately, the more smeared our lives become, the more distracted we become, and those distractions cloud our vision and judgment. We forget that God waits with a desire to remove our burdens and give us a fresh perspective.

We are at our best when we form the habit of walking with God continually and valuing special quiet times to be with him regularly. This keeps our relationship fresh with him, provides us access to his guidance, and allows him to clear out the cloudy

distractions so we can live with clarity, confidence, and fulfillment. It sounds like a great resolution for the new year!

Mike



BAPTISTS ON MISSION

Baptists On Mission will sponsor a breakfast on **January 27** at 8:30 a.m. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy a delicious breakfast as a kick-off to our Baptists On Mission Day.

After breakfast, we will celebrate in worship what it means to be on mission with God. The theme for this year is "Known By Love", and our scripture for this emphasis is John 13:34-35.

Remember in Prayer

Jean Ashley, Diane Austin, John Bailey, Ronnie Bugnar, Sarah Childers, Jeanette Debnam, Ken Durham, Dorsey Gillis, Doris Oakley, Frank Pollock, Patsy Warren, Jimmy Wilkins, Darcus Woody, Ruffin Woody



Cambridge Hills –Ruby Hall (121), Calvin McMillan (107)

Roxboro Nursing Center –Evelyn Walker (214)

Christian Sympathy to the family of Belle Booth who died on 12/16.

Christian Sympathy to Alice Whitfield in the death of her sister, Geraldine Crum, 12/24.

Wednesday Night Fellowship Meal



January 9: Chili beans, cornbread, cole slaw, and salad bar

January 16: Baked chicken, candied yams, green beans, and salad bar

January 23: Lasagna, garlic bread, and salad bar

Volunteers:

January 9: Mary Harris, Jean Waldo, Kim Boswell, Reid Davis, Helen Hobgood, James Woody, Ann Wrenn

January 16: Wilma Brooks, Bill & Judy Hodgin, Barry & Teresa Tucker

January 23: Clara Denny, Wanda Bailey, Tara Holmes, Marian Whitt, Lynn Pearce, James Woody

January Collections

We are collecting adult toothbrushes and regular size toothpaste to be distributed as part of a dental hygiene kit to everyone seen at our dental clinic in March. Please bring them to the church office.



The next quarterly church conference will be on Wednesday, February 7.

Sunday Attendance

December 16	Sunday School – 104	Worship – 210
December 23	Sunday School – 113	Worship – 224
December 30	Sunday School – 86	Worship – 154
January 6	Sunday School – 108	Worship – 198

Our Ministry of Giving

	Budget
Weekly amount needed to meet budget	\$9,667.28
December 16, 2018	\$13,781.76
December 23, 2018	\$22,138.15
December 30, 2018	\$14,664.12
January 6, 2019	\$17,585.59

	Designated
	December 16, 2018
Advent Memorials	625.00
Youth Deposits (NYC, Ski)	1,475.00
Handbells	100.00
NC Missions	50.00
CBF Global Missions	600.00
Lottie Moon	250.00
World Hunger	20.00
Rent	50.00
December Collections – Diapers	10.00
Building in Faith (BIF)	\$1,200.00
	December 23, 2018
Lottie Moon	\$245.00
CBF Global Missions	1,135.00
Baptist Children's Home	5.00
Bereavement	150.00
RBC Missions	755.00
Building in Faith (BIF)	195.00
	December 30, 2018
Youth Deposits (Camp, Ski, NYC)	850.00
December Collections – Diapers	20.00
Annie Armstrong	50.00
RBC Missions	125.00
Lottie Moon	50.00
CBF Global Missions	25.00
Building in Faith (BIF)	20.00
	January 6, 2019
Youth Deposit	100.00
Health Insurance	646.34



NC Baptist Singers Concert

We will take one bus to the NC Baptist Singers concert at Grey Stone Baptist Church in Durham on Monday, January 14. We will leave the church at 4:30, stop at C&H Cafeteria in Durham for dinner, and then go to the concert. Our members Claudette and Robby Phillips and Janine Wall are part of this choir. There is a sign-up sheet in the church office.



Missions Interest Meeting

Sunday, January 20, after worship. Come learn about upcoming mission trips.

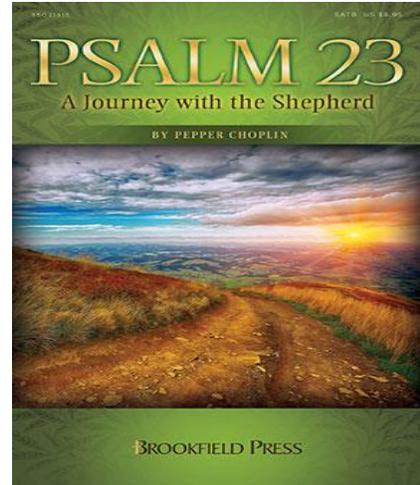


BLOOM Ministry

Bringing Love Of Our Master

We need volunteers to be responsible for making smaller arrangements from the Sunday worship flowers and delivering any that are not picked up to those in need of some cheer. Please sign up in the church office. Thank you for volunteering and showing others compassion and love with these flowers.

Choral Opportunity



The Chancel Choir has begun preparations for an upcoming presentation of Pepper Choplin's "Psalm 23: A Journey with the Shepherd" here at Roxboro Baptist on April 14. This will be a joint effort with the choir at Long Memorial Methodist church and others that may be interested in participating. If you have wanted to sing in choir again (or for the first time), this is a great time to jump in and be a part of what promises to be a special musical event. We rehearse on Wednesday evenings each week at 7:20 in the choir room on the third floor. Pepper will be with us on Saturday, April 13 for rehearsals and will direct the concert on that Sunday. See Mike if you have any questions.



Homebound and Seniors Away

Please make contact with our homebound this week.

Carol Siebert

205 N. Charles St., Apt#1, Roxboro

Evelyn Walker – Roxboro Nursing Center, Room#214
901 Ridge Rd., Roxboro

Louise Walthall

322 N. Charles St.

Anne Wilkerson – River Landing

Harbor Town #008

1575 John Knox Dr.

Colfax, NC 27235-9662

Alta Winstead

PO Box 844, Roxboro



Sewing for Missions

Join in on a unique mission opportunity to sew simple dresses for young girls that will be distributed in other countries by missionaries.

An informational meeting is scheduled for Friday, January 11, 2019 at 6:00 pm in the Roxboro Baptist Church fellowship hall, where you can view dress samples and some pre-cut dresses. Refreshments will be served, and there will be door prizes.

Please contact Ethel or Bruce Fehl with any questions. You may email the Fehls at ethelfehl@gmail.com or leave a message at 919-603-3838.

Christian Help Center Volunteers

Prepare & Serve a Meal

Thursday, February 7



Allison Dacus & JD Granade
NJHS members of SMS

Nursery and Extended Session

Sunday, January 13

Nancy Berryhill (Nursery)

Jeff & April Roberts (Extended Session)

Alisa Montgomery & Carla Garrett (Special Needs)

Sunday, January 20

Jenny Eggleston (Nursery)

Dusty & Laura Grinstead (Extended Session)

Allison & Charles Dacus (Special Needs)

Scholarship Applications



Scholarship applications for church members are available in the office. Awards will be given to students attending college in the fall of 2019. The deadline for submitting applications is Monday, March 25.