



The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective
- James 5:16 -

Current

Harold Campbell	Linda Kelly	Family of
Judy Covert	Peggy Sineath	Ernestine Bridges
Jackie Jones	Warren Thompson	

Ongoing

Phil Allen	Barbara Johnson	Sandra McFarland
Pam Blume	Virginia Johnson	Joey Stewart
Ricky Lawton	Heather Hickman	Jesse Walker
Lou Anne Griffin	Joe Luck	Peggy Wicker
Lindsey Hurley Holt	Lisa Luxton Martin	Beth Yow

Nursing Home	Patti Coltrane	Gary Doby	Jean Tillotson
Homebound	Bill Cotten	Neil Medlin	Fran Thomas
	Shirley Cotten	Ruby Medlin	
Military/Civil Service	Keith Garner	Luke Shaver	Adam Naylor,
	Trevor Owens	Kyle Sine	USS Gerald R. Ford



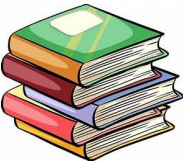
Birthday Blessing:

Heather Hickman - 27th Stephen Brown - 31st

As you celebrate your special day, may God always guide you and show you the way to righteousness and happiness.

College Student of the Month

Sarah Lambeth
429 Charles Riddle Rd
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Our Deacon Ministry:

Deacon of the Month: Jack Marks

Fedd Walker - Chairman (2026)	Brad Boisvert - V. Chairman (2025)	Stephanie Bridges - Secretary (2025)
Bill Boisvert (2026) Reid Cagle (2026)	Justin Covert (2027) Mark Love (2027)	Tom Luck (2025) Jack Marks (2027)

Church Email
Allan Blume, Transitional Interim Pastor
Ella Lazenby, Minister of Music
Leonard Harris, Minister of Music Emeritus
Barbara Miles, Church Secretary
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Last Week at a Glance

Weekly Budget Requirements	\$	6,625.00
Budget Received on 12/17/23	\$	1,157.00
Designated:	\$	1,063.00
WMU- Deep River School	\$188.00	
Lottie Moon	\$225.00	
Baptist Men	\$100.00	
Staff Love Offer	\$550.00	
Total Income:	\$	2,220.00
Sunday School: 76	Worship Service: 98	

Flat Springs Baptist Church



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Flat Springs Baptist Church is a family of believers who seek . . .

to **Glorify** God,
to **Guide** others to Christ,
to **Grow** in our faith, and
to **Give** of ourselves

Morning Worship Service

December 24, 2023

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

INVOCATION Diaconate Member

CALL TO WORSHIP HYMN NO. 102 (v 1,2) “Joy to the World”

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE Jon Rooker Family

*OFFERTORY HYMN NO. 103 (v 1,4) “O Come All Ye Faithful”

OFFERTORY PRAYER
WE WORSHIP GOD WITH HIS TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

*DOXOLOGY

*HYMN No. 310 (v 1,3) “Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee”

CHOIR SPECIAL Chancel Choir
“Come Behold the Wonderous Mystery”

CONGREGATIONAL GREETING

CHILDREN’S SERMON Chelsey Cagle

LOTTIE MOON VIDEO - “Personal Message from Chuck & Barb”

PASTORAL PRAYER Rev. Allan Blume

SCRIPTURE Psalm 95

MESSAGE “Joy to the World” Rev. Allan Blume

*INVITATIONAL HYMN NO. 404 “I Need Thee Every Hour”

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE Jonathan & Ella Lazenby

BENEDICTION Rev. Allan Blume

BENEDICTION RESPONSE NO. 102 (v 4) “Joy to the World”

*CONGREGATON STANDING

Reminders	December 24 th	December 31 st
Children’s Church	John & Chelsey Cagle	Amanda & Camden Covert
Children’s Sermon	Chelsey Cagle	Martha Ragan
Nursery	Martha & Diane	Grace & Sarah

Welcome Visitors! We are pleased to have you visiting with us today. If you are visiting for the first time, please take a moment to fill out a visitor’s card located in the pew in front of you so that we may have a record of your visit. We provide nursery for ages 0-2 and Children’s Church, after the children’s sermon, for ages 3-4.

Opportunities for the Week:

Sunday (24 th)	9:00	Sunday School
4 th Sunday of Advent	10:00	Morning Worship
Monday (25 th)		Office Closed
Tuesday (26 th)		Office Closed
Wednesday (27 th)	6:30	Mid-Week Service
	7:30	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Sunday (31 st)	9:00	Sunday School
	10:00	Morning Worship
	9:00 pm	Youth New Year Lock-In
Monday (1 st)		Office Closed

Church Office News

Our custodian, Tim, will be off next week.
Please take care of all food trash you may generate.

Office will be closed:

Monday, December 25th Tuesday, December 26th
Monday, January 1st

Christmas Cards

Remember to check the mail boxes in the small kitchen for Christmas cards.

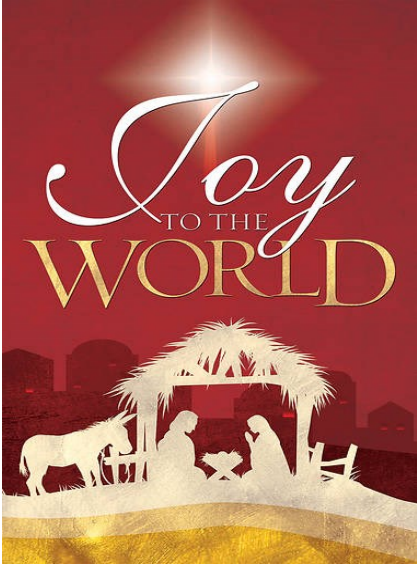


Poinsettias

If you placed poinsettias in memory or in honor someone, don’t forget to pick up them up today. Please leave the water trays.



‘Tis the season to think about **LOVE OFFERING** for our church staff. Participate by placing your envelope in the collection plate in Worship Service or Sunday School by December 31st. Note how you wish your giving to be distributed. We have 4 staff members:
Pastor Allan Blume
Music Director - Ella Lazenby
Sexton - Tim Clark
Secretary - Barbara Miles.
Thank you.



The Transitional Mission Team thanks you for participating in the Flat Springs Core Values and Mission survey. We received 61 responses and truly appreciate your prayers, your time, and the valuable feedback.



Things Missionaries Wish their Families and Friends Knew

6. Please don’t be upset when our children call others “aunt” and “uncle” when we are on the field.
5. Remember, when I get off the plane, I am so tired. I have just traveled across the world with my babies, and I am weary beyond all words. For a few hours, please give love and attention to your grandkids, hand me a hamburger, and let me go to sleep.
4. Ask me about my home across the ocean. Ask me about my day, my friends, my struggles, and my loneliness. Encourage me in the task. Instead of worrying about me, pray for me.
3. Keep in touch with us, even when I don’t have good Internet service. My tasks are so many that sometimes I cannot reply immediately, but it means so much to get a text or a picture. Please help me feel like I am a part of family events when I can’t be there with you.
2. Know that I want to be home for Christmas. I want to see and know my nieces and nephews and hear all about their lives, ballgames, the nativity play, and choir solos. Know that I love you so much and sometimes wish my calling could be in the United States, but it is not. Getting on that plane again is the hardest thing I ever have to do.
1. Realize we are not running *from you*. We are running *toward God!* We love you, too.

Father, may we do our part of the missionary task to pray faithfully and fervently for missionaries, missionary kids, and missionaries’ parents. May our missionaries around the world know a special closeness with You today and use the Christmas story to share with the lost how they, too, can experience intimacy with You. In Jesus name, AMEN.

