

### Nativity Display

Christmas trees, wreaths, presents, and stockings are all symbols of Christmas. But, the most impressive symbol is the nativity. As we have done in the past, we will have a display of unusual, unique, and international nativities in the Family Life Center. So, bring yours for others to enjoy. Please put your name and a note with it about what makes it special.



Thanks to all who donated and helped to fill backpacks for the Christmas Backpack Project & to all who donated gifts/money for the Freedom Hill residents and their children. Many will be blessed by your generosity!

### Altar Flowers

Please sign up to provide flowers for the altar for any Sunday in 2022. Sign-up sheets are in the lobby of the church office, or you can call the church office. They can be given in memory or in honor of someone, or just to decorate the sanctuary.



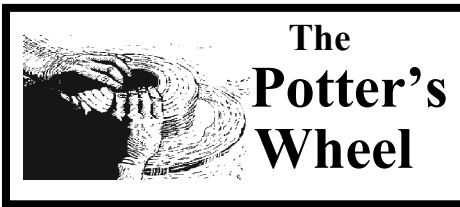
## October

Received in General Fund:	\$	21,444.00
Received in Designated Funds:	\$	4,369.00
Total Received:	\$	25,813.00
Expenses:	\$	14,802.00

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Monthly Newsletter from  
 Clarkesville Baptist Church

December 2021

Have you noticed that each year the distinction between holidays seems to blur more and more. We've finished Halloween, and we have started the countdown to Christmas. It bothers me that it seems that Thanksgiving has become the casualty in the midst of it all.

But I'd like to remind you that Thanksgiving, like Christmas, is entirely biblical. Our pausing to celebrate is completely in keeping with the custom as well as Scripture. The Bible abounds with examples of God's people giving Him thanks.

What a time to offer thanks to God! With everything happening around us as the crime, violence, an uncertain economy, and the continuing breakdown of the family. All of this is enough to discourage us. But people often have thanked God in times like these. In the words of Psalm 66, the writer reminds us to give thanks for the past, the present, and the future.

Every Christian can thank God for the great events that have brought us hope for this life and eternity. Even on this day we can give thanks for it all even when the pressure of the day seems too much. May we give thanks that we are alive. And, we can truly give thanks for tomorrow. Though we may not be sure of all the details, we know the end of the story. God's promises will be fulfilled, and His purposes will be completed. God is working in us to bring about His ultimate victory.

May we all pause and give thanks!!!

*Grady*



From The Staff of CBC

Becky Lombard  
 Sara Payne

Grady Walden  
 Curt Frederick

Shauna Widding  
 Joyce Long

## ♪ From Your Music Minister ♪

I look forward to worshipping with you this Advent. The Sanctuary Choir, instrumentalists, hand bell ringers, an ensemble and soloists will present music messages of Jesus' coming. Christmas music begins with the November 28 First Sunday of Advent and continues through the 5:30 PM December 24 Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion and the last Sunday of December!

The Sanctuary Choir plans to join the choirs of Demorest Baptist and Hills Crossing on Saturday, December 11, for a Service of Lessons and Carols at Demorest Baptist Church at 7:00 PM. Please join us as we worship together as a community of believers.

Our world faces great uncertainty and fear. From the Prophet Isaiah, chapter 40, Christians know of God's great hope coming to us: "Comfort, O comfort my people, says your God." "He will feed his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms, and carry them in his bosom, and gently lead the mother sheep."

It is Sabrina's and my prayer that your holidays include meaningful times with your Savior and those who mean the most to you. God bless you. You are a wonderful group of believers who seeks to honor our Lord through service to others.

*Curt*



To The CBC Family  
Greg & Terri Parker

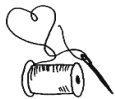
### Angel Tree

The unwrapped gifts from the "Angel Tree" are due **Sunday, December 5.**



### The Sewing Ladies

**Wednesday, December 8, at 10:00 a.m.** in the Holcomb Center



### HBA Christmas Choir Festival

The CBC Sanctuary Choir will be joining the choirs of Demorest Baptist and Hills Crossing Baptist for a service of lessons and carols on **Saturday, December 11, at 7:00 p.m.** at Demorest Baptist Church. Everyone is invited to attend.



### CBC Staff Christmas Bonus

The Deacons will be collecting donations for our church staff **through Sunday, December 12.**

Our church staff does a great job keeping things in order for CBC. Be sure to designate on your check and envelope that it is for "Staff Christmas Bonus." Gifts will be given out **Sunday, December 18**, in the morning worship service.



### Lottie Moon Post Office

The Lottie Moon Post Office is open in the Family Life Center. Christmas cards for attending members of the church will be delivered until **Sunday, December 12.** A donation to the Lottie Moon Offering is requested for this service.

### CARING Through CHRIST Support Group

**Monday, December 13, at 6:30 p.m.**

in the Outreach Center



### Women on Missions

**Tuesday, December 14, at 6:00 p.m.**

in the Family Life Center

### No Church Activities

There will be no church activities on **Wednesday, December 22.**



### Christmas Eve Service

Candles, Carols & Communion on **Thursday, December 24, at 5:30 p.m.**

### Adult Game Night

**Tuesday, December 28, at 6:00 p.m.**

in the Family Life Center



### End of the Year Contributions

Need to be in the Church Office or postmarked by **December 31.**