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CBC would like to thank the decorating and flower committees and all others that helped with the beautiful flowers and decorations over the holidays.

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.



To The CBC Family The Dorsey Family Family of Laura Morrison "Love Him, Love Them" Organization

Stewardship Report

November

Received in General Fund: Received in Designated Funds: Total Received: Expenses:

26.183.00 629.00

26.812.00 23,360.00

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Monthly Newsletter from Clarkesville Baptist Church

January 2022

From our family to your family, may you have a very Merry Christmas and a wonderful New Year.

We can all agree this year has been another for the "Record Books." We all have our stories to share. Sadly we have suffered the tragedy of saying 'goodbye' to far too many this year. I pray that this upcoming New Year will be a better one indeed for our Country, our Families, and for Our Lord and His Church, especially Clarkesville Baptist.

Lisa and I love and cherish all that you mean to us and our family. Thank you for loving and caring for all of us in so many ways. May you always know I love and care for you!

We hope to see you and do more for our Lord and His Church in 2022...

It is truly our joy to be your pastor and friend.

Grady



Sara Payne

Curt Frederick



♫ From Your Music Minister ♫

Psalm 96

1 O sing unto the Lord a new song: sing unto the Lord, all the earth.

- 2 Sing unto the Lord, bless his name; shew forth his salvation from day to day.
- 3 Declare his glory among the heathen, his wonders among all people.
- 4 For the Lord is great, and greatly to be praised: he is to be feared above all gods.

Singing a new song is more than just listening, reading, working, rehearsing and seeking to repeat a new melody and a new text. I think God honors those who seek to learn and grow musically, but I believe the scripture here is referring to our heart and our intentions. Singing a new song involves being positively involved in lifting our Lord in praise, adoration and thanksgiving. Singing a new song involves focusing on Him and drawing others to do the same. Reading a new text with devotion and intending to grow spiritually can be refreshing to us.

Psalm 40

1 I waited patiently for the Lord; and he inclined unto me, and heard my cry. 2 He brought me up also out of an horrible pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a rock, and established my goings.

3 And he hath put a new song in my mouth, even praise unto our God: many shall see it, and fear, and shall trust in the Lord.

This Psalm shows how our dependence on our Lord gave a reason to praise, respect and trust God. No one can ever force you to learn and love a song. We must intend for a new song to come to our lips by our love, by our patience, and by our faith. I repeat, God honors those who seek to learn new songs and grow musically, but scripture states God expects our hearts are to be developing because of Him.

It is Sabrina's and my prayer that your new year of 2022 brings joy and peace in the Lord. Sing a new song unto the Lord!

Curt



CARING Through CHRIST Support Group Monday, January 10, at 6:30 p.m. in the Outreach Center

Coat Drive

We will be collecting new or slightly used coats for Mission Georgia's "Coats 4 Christmas" project through **Monday, January 10.** These coats will be going to incoming Afghan refugees in Clarkston, GA. Donation bin is located in the church office lobby.



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<u>Women on Missions</u> **Tuesday, January 11,** at **6:00 p.m.** in the Family Life Center

<u>The Sewing Ladies</u> Wednesday, January 12 & 26, at 10:00 a.m. in the Holcomb Center



From Your Bible Study Director

It is well known in our family that Ron has a terrible sense of direction. It amazes us that in the 60's he actually was the guy "on point" helping guide the others with a compass in Vietnam. But, evidently he used up all that skill in the jungle – or maybe he just needs another compass. Even Ron says he "can get lost in an elevator." So, Ron thinks one of the best modern inventions is the GPS. Even when he argues with it about the shortest route.

Ron needs a guide – an internal personal GPS. But, don't we all? Don't we need a divine guidance system that would help us make all the right decisions in life? We know where we want to end up; it's the routing that gets confusing. Now, most of us claim to be Bible believers who attend a Bible- believing church led by a Bible-preaching preacher. Some of us almost brag about it like we're better than those other Christians from those other churches.

Regretfully, sometimes it's only a claim. We are like the frogs in an old joke. See, there were three frogs sitting on a branch. One decided to jump in the water. How many frogs were left on the branch? Two! Wrong! OK, betcha when one jumped in, the other two decided to follow along. So, Zero! Wrong! The correct answer is three. They all decided to jump, but nobody actually DID jump. We say that we each believe in the Bible, both personally and as a corporate body. But, for some of us, we're still "sitting on the pew" instead of "standing on the promises." As my Uncle Frank used to say, "If you want to walk on the water, you have to get out of the boat."

The Bible is our divine GPS. It is our guide. It gives us directions. Let's map out the route together. Hebrews 10:25 tells us to "forsake not the assembling of ourselves together. . ." It's time to quit deciding and get out of the boat – get out of the chair – or the sofa – or the bed – or the yard – or the whatever – and let's assemble ourselves together. . . in Sunday School.

Carol



Free Dinner/Baked Goods Auction

The Men's Ministry will host a chili, soup, and cornbread dinner on **Sunday**, **January 23**, at **5:00 p.m.**, followed by a baked goods auction. If you would like to make some chili,

soup, or cornbread, contact Ronnie Conrad or the church office. To donate baked goods (cakes, pies, brownies, etc.), contact Jewell Brown or the church office. Please join us for a night of fun, free food, and great fellowship!





Adult Game Night Tuesday, January 25, at 6:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center

Offering Envelopes Offering envelopes are available for you to pick up in the Family Life Center, at the entrances of the sanctuary, and in the church office.

