



Church Conference
Wednesday, February 22, at 6:00 p.m.
 in the Family Life Center

Ash Wednesday/Lent Begins

Wednesday, February 22.

Lent Ends **Saturday, April 16.**



Adult Game Night

Tuesday, February 28, at 6:00 p.m.

in the Family Life Center

To The CBC Family

Joyce Long

Sara Payne

Freedom Hill Ladies



New Members

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December

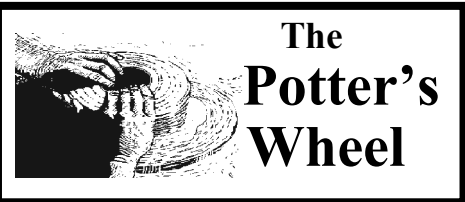
Received in General Fund:	\$	31,819.00
Received in Designated Funds:	\$	2,533.00
Total Received:	\$	34,352.00
Expenses:	\$	28,298.00

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**Monthly Newsletter from
 Clarkesville Baptist Church**

February 2023

Our church's lawn service shared with us some startling news the other day. He shared that the church yard "has moles! All throughout the grass areas we are finding soft spongy areas. The moles are burrowing underneath the surface and destroying the grass." My thought was Wow! What can we do? He suggested treating the soil and that would probably solve the problem.

As I thought about those moles, I recalled how they have attacked my own yard and now they are attacking the church yard. I investigated to see what we are fighting. They look like pesky little creatures, who are determined to find all the worms and grubs they can eat! But, I thought even more about the moles that are existing in our lives.

What moles are present in our lives? Could these moles be affecting our desire to attend worship services? Are they destroying our relationship with our Lord? What about our commitment to the church and its continued work? Are there moles in my life that I need to remove?

I have no doubt the lawn service will eradicate the moles in the church yard. But what can we do to remove those pesky moles in our lives? Here are a few proven methods: create and have a daily Bible Study time; attend and join a Sunday School class; participate in Wednesday Night Prayer Service; and find your spot of service within the church.

May God direct our paths as we move forward in our lives. Thank you for all you mean to our family. We are so blessed to call CBC our home. Blessings to each and every one of you.

Your pastor and friend,

Grady

🎵 From Your Music Minister 🎵

Clarkesville Baptist Church family, Sabrina and I thank you so much for our Christmas gift. It has been a gift from God to be called to minister through music with you since January of 1999! May each of you have a blessed year.

Spiritual Health from Worship

Let the word [spoken by] Christ (the Messiah) have its home [in your hearts and minds] and dwell in you in [all its] richness, as you teach and admonish and train one another in all insight and intelligence and wisdom [in spiritual things, and as you sing] psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, making melody to God with [His] grace in your hearts. (Amplified Bible Colossians 3:16)

Our spiritual health is based on how often we let the spirit fill us. The filling of the spirit is based on how often we worship. Do we worship weekly on Sunday, or daily, or minute by minute? Have a song in your heart to share your richness with Jesus.

Curt

From Your Bible Study Director

Okay, New Year's is over. It's Valentine month. But, for me they sorta go together this year. See, my New Year's resolution this year is to clean out my very, very messy closet. In fact, it's so bad that our 10-year-old granddaughter gave me a card for Christmas that said she'd help organize it. Now, what's my New Year's resolution closet problem got to do with February? Well, February is a month when Love is highlighted more than any other time of the year. And God is love. But, unlike that favorite wool sweater or golf shirt you might only pull out every now and then, He wants you to wear His love all the time. It's your basic, all-purpose garment. It still fits. It's always right for the weather. It's still fashionable. Love feels good when you put it on. You don't ever need to put it in the "discard pile."

I've complained about my closet a lot. But it's gonna take some work to get it organized and to keep it that way. We talk a lot about the love of God. We all know that God loves us; but the question is do we love God as we should? Jesus said in John 14:15, "If you love me; keep my commandments." That's how we express our love back to God the Father. One of the ways we express that love is to praise Him and worship Him through our Sunday morning service. Another is to study and share together in Sunday School. What better way for us to understand the real nature of this thing called LOVE.

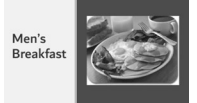
"My dear children, let's not just talk about love; let's practice real love. This is the only way we'll know we're living truly, living in God's reality" (1 John 3:18, Message).

Carol

Church Council
MEETING

Church Council Meeting
Wednesday, February 1, at 5:15 p.m.
in the Friendship Classroom

Men's Ministry Pancake Breakfast
Saturday, February 4, at 9:30 a.m. in the Family
Life Center. All men are welcome to join in for some
great food and fellowship. A short meeting will
follow. Please call the church office to sign up.



The Sewing Ladies
Wednesday, February 8 & 22,
at 10:00 a.m. in the Holcomb Center

Constitution Committee Meeting
Tuesday, February 14, at 11:00 a.m.
in the Family Life Center



CARING Through CHRIST Support Group
Tuesday, February 14, at 2:00 p.m.
in the Outreach Center

Valentine Potluck Meal
Wednesday, February 15, at 5:00 p.m.
in the Family Life Center



Baby Shower
You are invited to a Baby Shower for Anna Burke, Mary Frye's
granddaughter, on Saturday, February 18, at 11:00 a.m.
in the Family Life Center. She is registered at Amazon.

Faithfully Stewarding Your Estate Seminar

Sunday, February 19, at 5:00pm in the Family Life Center.
This free seminar provides valuable estate planning information
that teaches you the faithful stewarding principles necessary to
create a Christ-centered estate plan. Please RSVP to the church office.



Women on Missions
Tuesday, February 21, at 6:00 p.m.
at the Family Resource Center in Clarkesville.
For more information, directions, or a ride, contact
Mary Ann Ellington or Stephanie Kromelis.