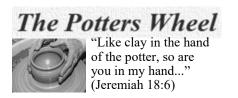
#### WHAT'S HAPPENING!

- ◆ Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour before you go to sleep on **Saturday**, **November 2**.
- ◆ A Called Church Conference will be held on **Sunday**, **November 3**, following worship service, to discuss and vote on the bid for the Outreach Center.
- ◆ The CBC Men's Ministry will be hosting a Veterans Appreciation Luncheon on **Saturday**, **November 9.** All veterans and spouses in our surrounding communities are invited. Presentation of Colors will be at **11:00 a.m.** in the sanctuary, followed by a free BBQ lunch at 11:30 in the Family Life Center. Lt. Colonel Joe Deanes, USMC Retired, will be the guest speaker. *Please RSVP to the church office by Wednesday*, *November 6.* Wear your red, white, and blue!
- ◆ To recognize the veterans in our church family, we will have a table set up to display photos of them (includes deceased) on **Sunday**, **November 10**. You can bring a 5 x 7 or 8 x 10 framed photo (1 per family). This also includes anyone that served in The Reserves.
- ◆ CBL/CBK and IMPACT will be hosting a special dinner for our church family veterans and their spouses on **Wednesday**, **November 13**, at **5:30 p.m**. We look forward to celebrating with you!
- ◆ The "Angel Tree" for the children of the residents of Freedom Hill will be in the sanctuary on **Sunday**, **November 24**. The unwrapped gifts from the "Angel Tree" are due **Sunday**, **December 8**.
- The Lottie Moon Post Office will open on Sunday, November 24. Christmas cards for <u>attending members</u> of the church will be delivered until Wednesday, December 11. A donation to the Lottie Moon Offering is requested for this service.
- Please bring your favorite dish, and join us for our Thanksgiving Meal on Tuesday, November 26, at 5:30 p.m. Turkey & dressing will be provided. Please use the sign-up sheet on the credenza in the church office lobby if you plan to attend.
- ◆ There will be no church activities on Wednesday, November 27, and the Church Office will be closed on Thursday, November 28, in observance of Thanksgiving.

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# Monthly Newsletter from Clarkesville Baptist Church

# November 2024

In all the years of serving my Lord, I cherish the opportunity that has been mine to serve as the pastor of Clarkesville Baptist Church. Thank you for remembering me and Lisa and our family. The grandest part of the event was listening to the children's and youth's statements of thanks and encouragement. My basket and other gifts were icing on the cake! Thank you for all of your love and support. One of my great joys in life is serving as the Pastor of CBC.

Time, talent, and resources have come together to help bring to a reality our Fall Family Fun Night for Wednesday, October 30. Why don't you invite some of your family and friends to join in the FUN! If by chance you are the winner of a cake or pie in the Cake Walk, I will be most willing to test your prize for quality control purposes. I promise I'd only take a very small sample.

We also will be participating in the Downtown Clarkesville Trick or Treat gathering on Thursday, October 31 from 5–7pm or whenever the popcorn runs out. We could use your help to bag up the popcorn that Thursday morning in the Family Life Center around 10. Please try to help in either the morning or the evening time slots.

Our rebuild of the retaining wall and parking lot and drainage issues is almost complete. As I write this today, the workers are loading their equipment and trying to finish everything. I know this was a major undertaking in so many parts. To all who have been involved in the work, I am most grateful for all of their sacrifices to help this become a reality. The total cost has not been submitted yet, but we know that we will be in need of more funding. Please give some prayer about what you could give. Also, I remind you about the Called Conference on Sunday, November 3, following our worship time for the decision on accepting the bid for the Outreach Center property.

I hope to see you Sunday for worship and Sunday School.

Your pastor and friend.



## **□** From Your Music Minister **□**

The Sanctuary Choir is enthusiastic about singing our new Christmas musical, "O Holy Light" by Mary McDonald. If you enjoy singing, please join us. The Sanctuary Choir will present this music during an early December Sunday morning worship.

#### Before sacrificing, I should do the right thing!

Proverbs 21:3 states, "To do righteousness and justice is more acceptable to the LORD than sacrifice.

The LORD is most pleased when we do what is right. God is honored even more when we choose the right behavior than when we offer Him sacrifices. I should not feel good about the sacrifices I make until I first do what is right and just.

WWJD bracelets in the past reminded us to think how Jesus would respond when making a decision or reacting to a dilemma. From commentaries I learn, Proverbs 21 serves as a profound reminder that human wisdom and understanding are gifts from God, who governs all things. This chapter opens with a powerful assertion of divine control over earthly rulers, where the king's heart is described as a stream of water easily directed by God. I believe the future is in the hands of God. Proverbs 21 encourages righteousness, prudence, and justice while warning against wickedness, arrogance, and folly. In the end, it underscores a fundamental truth: true victory and wisdom rest with the Lord.

I can learn from this scripture that doing right and being fair, are valuable to God!

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#### Stewardship September Report Received in General Fund: 23,191.00 Received in Designated Funds: 14.745.00 37,936.00 Total Received:

Expenses:

102,789.00

# Children's & Youth Ministries



I am truly excited and thankful to share the incredible growth we've seen in our children's and youth ministries over the past few months. When you consider that the work to grow our youth program began just in July, it's nothing short of remarkable—and it's a testament to how faithfully the Lord is working in our church.

Our children and youth are getting involved, building relationships, and growing in their faith; and we've already seen so much energy and excitement in our programs. With upcoming events like our Fall Family Fun Night, the Hearts on Fire Youth Conference, and our Christmas Play, there are so many wonderful opportunities for all of us to come together as a church family and encourage the next generation.

None of this would be possible without the prayers, love, and unwavering support from each of you. I am deeply grateful for the ways you all contribute to the life and growth of our ministries. Together, we are making a lasting impact on the lives of our chil-

dren and youth.

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# **Events & Opportunities**

Event	Date	Time	Location
Women's Bible Study	Mondays, Nov. 4-18	1:00pm	Family Life Ctr
World Day of Prayer	Mon., Nov. 4	6:30pm	Mt. Carmel BC
WMU Meeting	Tues., Nov. 5	6:00pm	Holcomb Ctr
Shopping Trip to SC	Fri., Nov. 8	9:00am	Meet at church
Community Veterans Appreciation Luncheon	Sat., Nov. 9	11:00am	Family Life Ctr
The Sewing Ladies	Wed., Nov. 13	10:00am	Holcomb Ctr
Special Dinner for CBC Family Veterans/Spouses	Wed., Nov. 13	5:30pm	Family Life Ctr
Church Conference	Wed., Nov. 20	6:00pm	Sanctuary
"Hearts on Fire" Youth Conference	Fri., Nov. 22- Sun., Nov. 24	NA	Pigeon Forge
Thanksgiving Meal	Tues., Nov. 26	5:30pm	Family Life Ctr