

Events & Opportunities

Event	Date	Time	Location
Baptist Women	Tues., Dec. 2	6:00pm	Family Life Ctr
Christmas Play (Reception to Follow)	Sun., Dec. 7	6:00pm	Sanctuary
Community Christmas Celebration	Wed., Dec. 10	5:30- 7:30pm	CBC
Sanctuary Choir Musical	Sun., Dec. 14	10:30am	Sanctuary
Freedom Hill Tea	Sun., Dec. 14	2:00pm	Family Life Ctr
Quilting Group	Mon., Dec. 15	6:00pm	Family Life Ctr
Christmas Eve Service	Wed., Dec. 24	5:00pm	Sanctuary
Adult Game Night	Tues., Dec. 30	6:00pm	Family Life Ctr

Sunday Morning Worship

December 14, 10:30

A CHILD IS BORN

All is Well. . .

This worship service will be led by our
CBC MUSIC AND MEDIA MINISTRY

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The Potters Wheel



"Like clay in the hand
of the potter, so are
you in my hand..."
(Jeremiah 18:6)

Monthly Newsletter from
Clarkesville Baptist Church

December 2025

Can you truly supply a list of the things in your life that you are thankful for this Thanksgiving? I know we all have the regulars that we could share ever so quickly, but what about the things that we might have to think about? Our lives are ever so cluttered with our stuff, and we are continuously adding more. So I'll ask you one more time: What are you thankful for this year?

My list would be similar to yours. I am thankful for my Lord and my salvation which gives me the promise of eternal life with Him. I am so thankful for my wife and our family. Each time we all get together is an experience like none before, and I'm more thankful than before for family time.

I am thankful for the calling God placed upon my heart along with the place He allows me to serve Him at CBC. Many may never understand this, but I am ever so thankful for the way God has laid his hands upon our congregation in this past year. I am ever so thankful for my coworkers at CBC: Sara gives so much to all of our church family. Bill has been a blessing beyond to our choir and congregation. Alyson's planning and attention to details as well as her love for our children of all ages is amazing. Coley helps our youth to grow numerically but especially in spiritual maturity. I'm thankful for our instrumentalists, audio, and tech folks who add ever so much to our services each week. But maybe what else I am thankful for the most this year is our congregation. Your heart and dedication to be here, to serve, to follow, and to give to one another and our Lord is such a great example for others to see and follow. If I happen to not mention someone or something, sorry. But I am ever so thankful for you!

So what do you have to be thankful for this year? Why don't you make some time to give thanks to our Lord and those special ones in your lives.

CBC has so much coming up in the month of December that you cannot miss. Please take time to look at the calendar and plug yourself into the happenings of CBC. One of my personal favorites is our Christmas Eve Service at 5:00pm this year.

We are so blessed! May we give thanks to our Lord. You are loved.

Your pastor and friend,

Grady



NextGen Ministries

Christmas at CBC: A Season to Celebrate Together

The most wonderful time of the year is here, and our church is filled with joy, laughter, and the sweet sounds of children celebrating the birth of our Savior!

Join us on **Sunday, December 7 at 6 PM** for our **Children's Christmas Play**—a heartwarming reminder of the simple and powerful story of Jesus' birth. **Everyone is invited** to come and cheer on our sweet NextGen kids as they share the true meaning of Christmas through song and story!

Immediately following the play, **the whole church family is invited** to stay for our **NextGen Family Christmas Celebration**—a time to enjoy food, fellowship, and fun as we celebrate the season together.

Then mark your calendars for **Wednesday, December 10, from 5:30–7:30 PM** for our **CBC Community Christmas**—a free, family-friendly event featuring a **live nativity, pictures with Santa, s'mores, hot chocolate, and more!**

We are so blessed to share this Christmas season with our CBC and NextGen families. Let's gather in joy and gratitude as we celebrate the greatest gift of all — **Jesus, the true reason for the season!**

Coley & Alyson

Announcements

- ♦ Week of Prayer for International Missions will be **Sunday, November 30-Sunday, December 7**, with the Lottie Moon Offering being taken on December 7.
- ♦ The Lottie Moon Post Office will be open in the vestibule on **Monday, December 1**. Christmas cards for regular attendees of the church will be delivered until **Sunday, December 14**. A donation to the Lottie Moon Offering is requested for this service.
- ♦ You are invited to a special presentation on Pastor Walden's recent mission trip to Lima, Peru, on **Wednesday, December 3, at 6:00pm** in the Sanctuary. He will share stories and personal experiences from his journey, highlighting the ways he was able to serve and connect with the local community. This is a great opportunity to learn more about the impact of the trip and the ongoing needs in Lima. We hope to see you there!
- ♦ The deadline for returning unwrapped "Angel Tree" gifts for the children of the residents of Freedom Hill is **Wednesday, December 3**.
- ♦ Order your poinsettias in honor or memory of church or family members during the Christmas season. Cost is \$13 for a 6.5" poinsettia. Order forms are available on the credenza in the church office lobby and at the entrances of the sanctuary. Deadline for ordering is **Wednesday, December 10**.
- ♦ A trip to experience the Victorian Christmas at Hardman Farm is being planned for **December (12th, 13th, or 14th)**. If you are interested in going, please let Mary Ann Ellington or Stephanie Kromelis know as soon as possible.
- ♦ As we enter the Christmas season, we want to extend our gratitude to the church staff for their service to the Lord. If you wish to make a holiday financial gift, please mark "Staff Christmas Bonus" on the check/envelope and drop in the offering plate or at the church office by **Sunday, December 14**.
- ♦ The church office will be closed on **Wednesday, December 24**, and **Thursday, December 25**, in observance of Christmas.
- ♦ There will be no church activities on **Wednesday, December 24**.
- ♦ End of the Year Contributions need to be in the Church Office or postmarked by **December 31**.
- ♦ Please sign up to provide flowers for our Sunday Worship Services for any Sunday in 2026. 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:	\$ 23,136.00
Received in Designated Funds:	\$ 486.00
Total Received:	\$ 23,622.00
Expenses:	\$ 34,641.00