### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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> Rev. Steve Spurlock Pastor

Tim Begeot Worship

December 29, 2024

\* \* \* \* \* \* **Morning Service** \* \* \* \* \* \* 10:45 A.M.

~ Focus on Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions ~

Hymn 546	"Love Lifted Me"

Hymn 361 "We Have Come into Is	House
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Morning Prayer..... Deacon Bob Horvath

Hymn 280 ..... "Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross"

~ Worship through Giving ~

...Christmas Caroling...

Message

Commitment Hymn 305..... "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

Children's Worship: Children will be dismissed just prior to the message

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**The Lord's Supper** will be observed during the Morning Worship Service on Sunday, January 5<sup>th</sup>.

*"1st Sunday of the Month" Prayer Gathering* will take place next Sunday, January 5<sup>th</sup> beginning at 9:00 AM. Please meet in the fellowship hall.

\*\*The Church's Financial Books will be closing on Tuesday, December 31<sup>st</sup>. Ministry leaders are asked to submit all receipts and reimbursements by this date.

#### Prayer Concerns

William Dydell family, Karen Peden, Judy Rios family, Linda Greathouse Jane King family, Hailee O'Connor, Bob Abbuhl, Garry Greathouse Mike Kelley, LouAnn Glaspell, Patti Hornor, Linda Gordon, Eva Cottrell Becky Dye, Joan White, Patty O'Neal, Flin Jowers, Sophie Dry

CHURCH CALENDAR					
Today	Adult Bible Study/Sunday School	9:30 AM			
-	Morning Worship	10:45 AM			
Monday	Nursing Home Ministry	9:45 AM			
Wednesday	New Year's Day!!				
Upcoming Events/Activities					
January 5	"1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of the Month" Prayer Gathering				
January 5	Observance of The Lord's Supper				
January 6	Women On Mission meeting				
January 12	"Dream Night"				



**2025 Calendars:** Please find copies on the table in the rear of the sanctuary. This is a gift to you!!

**Open Windows Devotional:** Free copies of the *Winter 2024* issue of this daily devotional are available on the information table in the rear of the sanctuary.





**WOMEN ON MISSION** will have their next monthly meeting on Monday, January 6<sup>th</sup>. The meeting will take place here at the church and will begin at **6:00 PM**. A part of the meeting will include a "white elephant" sale. (A "white elephant sale" is a sale of items that are no longer wanted but have some sentimental value, or are items that are difficult to get rid of!) Individuals are encouraged to bring various items to donate for the sale.

**Children's Sunday Night Ministry** <u>will not</u> be meeting tonight (and will not be meeting on January 5<sup>th</sup>.) The classes will resume meeting again on Sunday, January 12<sup>th</sup>.

**Our Christian Sympathy** is extended to the family and loved ones of Mrs. Jane King who recently passed away.

**2025 Church Budget:** At the recent church Business Meeting the budget for the new year {*2025*} was approved. Copies of the new budget are available on the table in the rear of the sanctuary.

Worship Service Ministry		
	Today	<u>Next Week (Jan.5)</u>
Nursery:	Teresa Spurlock	Teresa Spurlock
Children's Worship:	Margie Brown	Margie Brown
Greeters:	Linda Greathouse/Ruth Fowler	Sandy Jordan/Missy Davis



# LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING

for International Missions Church Offering Goal: \$ 1,500.00 Current Total: \$ 1,963.00 \*\* You can also donate to the offering online at church website \*\* To God be the Glory!!!

## **TEACH THE OLD TESTAMENT TO CHRISTIANS** Sunday Nights...6:30 to 7:30 PM

Begins – January 19<sup>th</sup>

The Hebrew Scriptures are the beginning of-and foundation for-God's incredible story of redemption. Studying the Old Testament, and its relationship to God's new covenant, inspires wonder and awe at God's grand plan of salvation that spans milennia. This study, led by the pastor, will walk through steps of understanding the Old Testament, interpretation of the stories/narrative in the Hebrew scriptures and how to apply the Old Testament to life today. This 6-week class will begin on Sunday, January 19<sup>th</sup>. The study books for the course may be purchased for \$6.00.

## Dream Night Sunday, January 12<sup>th</sup>

6:30 PM

As a new year begins individuals are invited to come together to "dream" about possbile plans, events, activities and ministry steps for First Baptist as we step into the year 2025. Some areas to consider are: *Discipleship, Evangelism, Fellowship, Ministry and Worship.* All are welcome to participate.

#### HOW TO BECOME A MEMBER OF FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

- By a public profession of faith in Jesus Christ followed by New Testament baptism
- By the transfer of letter from another Baptist church provided the individual has been baptized in the manner taught in the New Testament
- By a statement of faith, indicating the individual has been saved and baptized in the manner taught in the New Testament

First Baptist Church is affiliated with the Southern Baptist Convention, the State Convention of Baptists in Ohio and the Steel Valley Baptist Association