

# HILLCREST BAPTIST CHURCH

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**December 4, 2016**

Announcements		Keith Ruether
Mission Moment		
Welcome & Prayer		Pastor David Brown
Worship in Praise	<i>"Open Up the Heavens"</i>	
Hymn Medley	<i>"Love Lifted Me"</i> <i>"Angels from the Realms of Glory"</i>	Hymn #546 Hymn # 94
Choir Special	<i>"A New Hallelujah"</i>	Worship Choir
Offertory Hymn	<i>"Jesus, Only Jesus"</i>	
Offertory Prayer		Keith Ruether
Special Music		Men's Quartet
Children 3 years-Grade 4 leave for Children's Church		
Senegal Report		Dale Baker
Message	<i>Unwrapping the Christmas Story</i> <i>"Joseph's Mission Story"</i> <i>Matthew 1:18-25</i>	Pastor David Brown
Opportunity to Respond	<i>"Near to the Heart of God"</i>	

Hillcrest Baptist Church exists to see lost people saved,  
saved people disciplined, and disciplined people sent.

**Weekly Opportunities for Worship and Service  
December 4-December 10**

Worship & Activity Schedule

Today 9:00 am Connection Corner  
 9:30 am Life Groups  
 10:30 am Praise Celebration  
 12:00 pm Children's Choir  
 5:00 pm Deacon's Meeting  
 6:00 pm Can We Talk?—Pastor David  
 Evening Worship  
 TeamKids—Sarah Hemphill  
 Children—Marty & Jen Kinnett, Sara Light  
 Youth—Bradley James  
 Growing Kids God's Way—Don & Vicky Copling  
 6:00 pm Preschool Choir rehearsal  
 Monday 7:00 pm Leadership Team  
 Wednesday 4:45 pm Family meal—Soup & Chili  
 5:30 pm Fast Track  
 5:50 pm Awana  
 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal  
 Saturday 7:00 am Men's Prayer Breakfast

Goal: \$7,000

Received to date: \$460

You can give through purchasing labels for the Lottie Moon Post Office, through the postage you save by bringing cards for your church family, and/or by giving through the special envelopes that are available in the pews.



Dino & Cheryl Karsonakis will give two concerts in Lebanon this week. One is at 7 pm on Wednesday, December 7, and the other is at 7 pm on Friday, December 9. Both performances will take place at Cowan Civic Center. Tickets are free but are needed to guarantee a seat. They may be picked up at the Lebanon Ara Chamber of Commerce, 186 N. Adams.



**HILLTOPPERS**



Main Street Opry Christmas show, December 16. If you would like to go, please sign the sheet at the Welcome Center. Cost is \$20 and needs to be paid by December 11.

**Last Week at Hillcrest**

Sunday School/Life Groups	173
Praise Celebration	193
Evening Services	70
Awana	83

Budget Offering

Requirement weekly:	\$ 7,346.00
Received 11/27/16	\$ 6,904.39
Budget amount needed to date:	\$ 161,612.00
Received to date:	\$ 157,801.60

Loan

Paid on second loan principal this week	\$ 25,435.00
Second loan balance	\$ 14,789.71



**UPWARD BASKETBALL & CHEERLEADING**

There are sign-up sheets in the hallway for those who would like to help in Upward this year.

There is also a Prayer Partner list. If you will pray for Upward, we ask that you sign the list, fill out one of the blue cards, and take a pin from the basket.

**ONLY 8 MONTHS  
TILL VBS!**



While everyone else is thinking about Christmas, Gena is planning ahead. We have a need and this is the perfect time to let you know. The theme for 2017 is Galactic Starveyors and we will need a lot of little white lights to decorate with. They'll be very hard to find in July, so we are asking for your help during this Christmas season. Many people have pre-lit trees now, and don't need strands of lights, or if you just have extras and would like to get them out of your way, we could put them to good use. We would take new ones, too! They can be brought to the office.

**CHANGE IN CHILDREN'S CHURCH**

Beginning January 1, 2017, our older Children's Church will be for Grades 1-3 only. This will align it with our Sunday School classes.

# FATHERS

From *A Love Worth Giving* by Max Lucado

The humble heart honors others. Again, is Jesus not our example? Content to be known as a carpenter. Happy to be mistaken for the gardener. He served his followers by washing their feet. He serves us by doing the same. Each morning He gifts us with beauty. Each Sunday He calls us to His table. Each moment He dwells in our hearts. And does He not speak of the day when He as "the master will dress Himself to serve and tell the servants to sit at the table, and He will serve them. (Luke 12:37)?



Attached to this bulletin you will find the prayer guide for the Lottie Moon Week of Prayer for International Missions. As you read these

stories throughout the week you'll discover how the gospel resounds in specific places and you will have specific requests to pray over each day.

Your prayers and gifts to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering will help the gospel continue to resound throughout the nations as you send and sustain missionaries and their work.



## **YULEFEST FELLOWSHIP DINNER**

Christmas Day from 12:00-2:00 at the Cowan Center. If you would be interested in volunteering to help or if you need a meal or know someone who needs a meal, please call Judith Vest 417-288-1047 or Gail Green 417-991-2392.



The Hoppers will be in concert at First Baptist Church on Saturday, December 10, at 6 pm. A love offering will be taken. Opening group is 'Changed.'

# Acts 1:8

## **Service Opportunities:**

### Immediate Opportunities:

- ◆ Help in Awana
- ◆ Donate to Human Trafficking victims

### Upcoming Opportunities:

- ◆ Mission trips to Senegal throughout the year

## **NOVEMBER FOOD OF THE MONTH**

### **Cookie Mixes**

If you can help, there is a donation box in the fellowship hall near the serving window. Please place your donations there.



**...and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost parts of the earth.**



## **Men Who Win Conference**

January 6-7, 2017

Cross Pointe Camp & Retreat Center along the north shore of Lake of the Ozarks.

Men, plan now to join us for a fantastic time of inspiration, fellowship and activities. There are registration forms in the Information Hallway. Make your reservations soon!

We still need some men to help with the Sparks (K-2) and T&T (3-5 grade) boys.



There is a sign-up sheet in the information hallway for the new Wednesday night Bible study book, *Complicity Exposed* that will begin January 4. If you would like to buy a copy, the cost is 7.99.

## ministry opportunity

If you would like to donate baby items for Misty Trammel, who is expecting a baby boy in December, you can put your donations in the basket by the Operation Christmas Child box. See Cathy Offutt for details.

# Sermon Notes

**SUNDAY MORNING**  
**Unwrapping the Christmas Story**  
**“Joseph’s Mission Story”**  
**Matthew 1:18-25**

1. Joseph realized that God is at \_\_\_\_\_, in the \_\_\_\_\_ of our \_\_\_\_\_. (vs. 18-19)
2. Joseph realized that missions isn’t an \_\_\_\_\_, it’s an \_\_\_\_\_. (v. 20)
3. Joseph realized that \_\_\_\_\_ came to \_\_\_\_\_ as a \_\_\_\_\_. (vs. 21-23)
4. Joseph realized that missions is \_\_\_\_\_ about \_\_\_\_\_. (vs. 24-25)

**2%**  
**Challenge**

At Hillcrest Baptist Church, we have many opportunities to take the Gospel to the world. We would like for you to pray about taking the 2% challenge, by giving one week of your time in 2017 to going on mission.

- West Africa
- Cuba
- East St. Louis
- Disaster Relief
- Angola, LA, Returning Hearts
- Dallas, TX, Samaritan’s Purse

**WELCOME CENTER & USHERS**

**Today, Dec. 4**  
**Welcome Center**  
 Peggy Veanes  
 Sue Stowe

**Next Sunday, Dec. 11**  
**Welcome Center**  
 Cheryl Foltz  
 Ann Holley

**Ushers**  
 Dave Veanes  
 John Stowe  
 Don Copling  
 Justin Stephens  
 Randy Sutter  
 Dave Brisco

**Ushers**  
 Gilbert Mendoza  
 Justin Slye  
 Jim Long  
 Ben Foltz  
 Dean Holley  
 David Lundblade

**CHILD CARE**

**Today, Dec. 4**  
**Morning Service**  
 Dale & Ava Baker,  
 Kirsten Snow, Madison Jones,  
 Ben & Callie Shaw

**Next Sunday, Dec. 11**  
**Morning Service**  
 Judy Clark, Casey Copling,  
 Haley Howlett, Jen Kinnett,  
 Sybil Oursbourn

**Children’s Church 3 yr.-K**  
 Chuck & Kathy Tyrrell  
 Freddy Jennings

**Children’s Church 3 yr.-K**  
 John & Amanda Frazier

**Children’s Church Gr. 1-4**  
 Lucas & Chelsea Handley

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 Bradley & Carol Jemes

**Evening Service**  
 Jane Bunch  
 Jackie Senate

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 Kathy Tyrrell  
 Tricia Cusic

**Wed., Dec. 7**  
 Lacey LaFon  
 Don & Vicky Copling

**Wed. Dec. 14**  
 Nancy Blake  
 Lacey LaFon

**Awana, Dec. 7**  
 Ann Holley

**Awana, Dec. 14**  
 Pastor David

**DEACON ON CALL**

**Week of Dec. 4**  
 Keith Ruether 533-0969

**Week of Dec. 11**  
 Dale Baker 322-2238

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