

December 11, 2022

Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

Lottie Moon was sent as a Southern Baptist missionary to China from 1873 to 1912. She saw firsthand the world's greatest problem — LOSTNESS. Meeting so many people who had never heard the gospel compelled her to write letters to American churches describing the need for a greater missionary presence.



She pleaded for increased prayer and financial support to send and sustain more missionaries.

This challenge became known as the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering®.

Christmas Cards



A couple of tables are set up near the church offices for Christmas cards. Please bring in cards for active church members only!

Christmas Service

We will have our Christmas service (with communion) on Sunday, December 18th.

Pastor David will be out of town on Christmas. A pre-recorded service will be posted on our public Facebook page on Christmas Day!



****There will be no activities on campus on Christmas Day.****

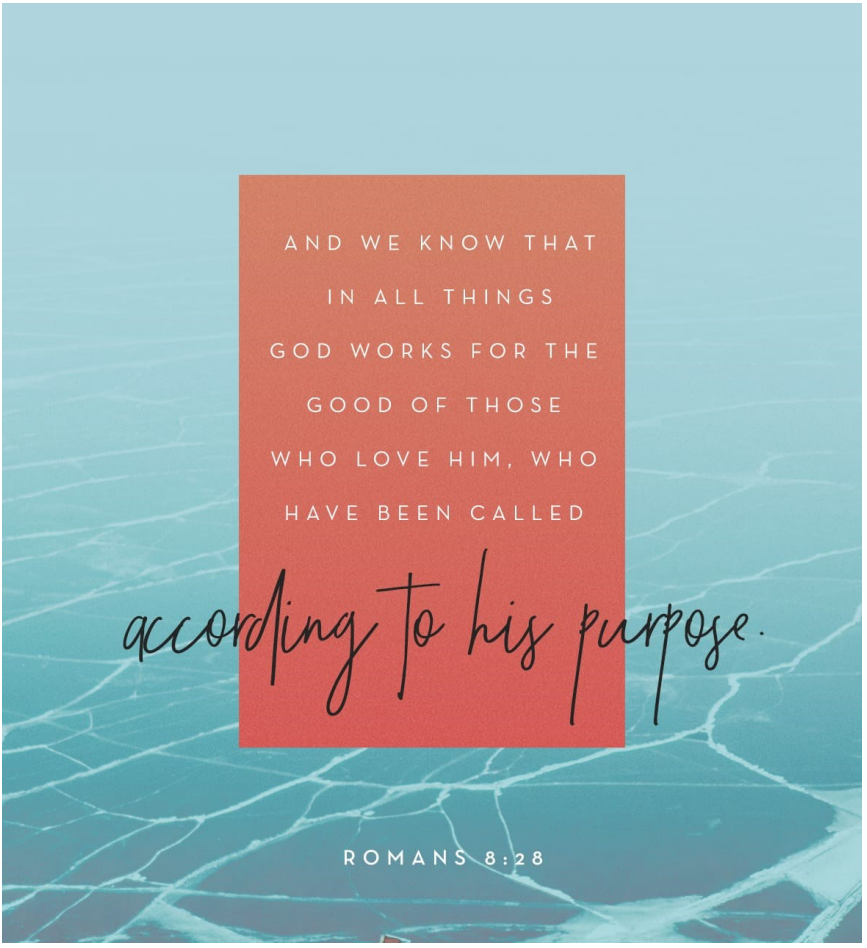


Church Council

The Church Council meeting has been moved to January.

Backpacks for Hope Cards

If you are interested in sending the 10 middle schoolers who receive food backpacks holiday-themed cards or candy, drop them off in the church office.



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Sunday, December 11, 2022

Security in Place of Fear (Romans 8:28-39)

The Point: Because of Christ, nothing will keep us from God and His work in our lives.

The Bible Meets Life: I was full of anxiety when I asked my girlfriend to marry me. Despite my fears, she agreed to be my wife. We were going to run toward Jesus together, but her “yes” didn’t quell my anxiety and insecurity. I was aware of what kind of woman she was and the flawed man I was.

Even on the day of our wedding, the dark cloud of insecurity continued. Maybe she had realized she could do better and would back out. But when she walked in with her dad, she had a pep in her step. She was walking toward me with intention and anticipation, and there wasn’t anything that was going to stand in her way. And with that, my insecurity was gone. Many of us feel a similar insecurity about God. Is He going to choose me? Does He really love me? As we read Romans 8, all that insecurity can be set aside. God spared no expense to show His love for us through Christ. Nothing will keep us from God or the work He desires to do in our lives!

Live It Out: Memorize. Get your security in Christ ingrained in your mind. Memorize Romans 8:37-39. Recite it daily. Post it on a bathroom mirror. Keep it before your eyes and fresh on your tongue.

Encourage. Write an encouraging note to someone who may be struggling with insecurity in their relationship with Christ. Use what we’ve studied as a template to encourage this person. **Minister.** You may be sensing God calling you to serve in some way, but a fear of failure makes you hesitant. Rest on your foundation in Christ and step out in trustful obedience. Trust Him to work in you and through you for your own good.

Upcoming Sunday Sermon Series

Putting Fear in its Place

Sunday, December 18 Love in Place of Fear
(1 John 3:13-18; 4:14-18)

Sunday, December 25 Submission to God in Place of Fear
ONLINE ONLY (Luke 1:26-38)

**BIBLE
STUDIES
FOR LIFE**

Opportunities for Ministry & Service

Sunday

9:00 AM Sunday School

10:00 AM Indoor Worship

10:00 AM Online Worship

1:00 PM Deacon’s Meeting

Wednesday

6:30 PM Youth

6:30 PM Online Worship

Thursday

Jail Ministry



Deacon’s Meeting

TODAY at 1 PM
in the sanctuary.

Service Attendance

Sunday, December 4

Indoor: 51

Online: 104



Wednesday, December 7

Online Reach: 47

Lunch: 15 Youth: 8

Monthly Budget & Offerings



Budget Needs:

\$18,566.08

December Offering

To Date: \$5,402.00

Prayer Requests

Candy Anderson

Mike Helms

Nan Helms

Christine Hinson & Family

Rich Majewski

Jenny Modesitt’s Sister

Laura (Irene’s daughter)

Rebecca (Susan’s sister)

Norma Kilgore

The Stewart Family

Global Missions

Local & NAMB

Area Schools/Admin

1st Responders

The Sick & Elderly

The Poor

Backpacks of Hope Students



Missing Dish

Please double check that you picked up the correct dish from the Thanksgiving meal. Someone is missing a cream-colored Corningware dish that held green beans. If you grabbed this dish, please bring it to the Church Office. Your dish is in the kitchen!