



Christmas Eve Sunday School Breakfast

Join us this morning for a finger-food breakfast & coffee before Sunday School. Thank you for bringing in your favorite quick-bite to share!

Christmas Eve Cookie Swap

There is a separate table open for a cookie swap. If you're interested in swapping cookies, please bring in 20-24 cookies. Bags will be available.



Communion Sunday

Let us prepare our hearts for communion this morning as we remember Jesus's birth, life & sacrifice.

CHRISTMAS *Eve Service*



Sunday, December 24, 2023 - 6:00 PM
Oakland Baptist Church - 600 E. Sunset Drive, Monroe NC



Merry Christmas!

The Church Office will be closed on
December 25th, 28th & 29th.

Christmas Cards

Tables are set up near the church offices for Christmas cards.
Please bring in cards for active church members only!



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Our 2023 goal: \$2,000



December 24, 2023



BEHOLD, THE VIRGIN SHALL CONCEIVE AND BEAR
A SON, AND SHALL CALL HIS NAME
IMMANUEL.

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The Salvation Expressed in God's Name

Isaiah 7:14; Matthew 1:18-25

The Point: Everyone who calls on the name of Jesus will be saved.

The Bible Meets Life: Christmas may not be everybody's favorite holiday (Thanksgiving is), but it's close! For many of us, the Christmas season is a time for family and special gathering with friends. There are the gifts, the tree, and all the lights and decorations. And let's not forget the food! Wrapped up in all this are traditions we observe every Christmas. Some of those traditions are common to most people, and some may be unique to your family. These are the things we remember as we look fondly back at Christmas seasons past—and these are the same things we look forward to this Christmas! One couple shared a very unique memory of an event we tie to Christmas. This event was a cause for both joy and perhaps a good dose of trepidation as they stepped into the unknown. Yet it is this very event—the birth of Jesus—that gives us our greatest reason to celebrate at Christmas.

Live It Out: Everyone who calls on the name of Jesus will be saved. Use one or all of the following applications to experience how Jesus's name means "Yahweh is salvation." **Think.** Think about times when you've faced difficult challenges and called on the name of the Lord. Consider how He helped you. **Thank.** Thank the Lord for salvation, especially for Jesus's death and resurrection that provided atonement for your sins. Write a thank you card to God. **Thirst.** Desire a deeper relationship with your Savior by communing with Him throughout the day. Make it a priority to share Him with others. Set specific goals for when and how you will share from the overflow of God's affection.

Upcoming Sunday Sermon Series

A Name Like No Other

Sunday, December 31	The Righteousness of God's Name (Jeremiah 23:5-6; Romans 3:10b-13, 21-26)
Sunday, January 7	The Protection of God's Name (Psalm 91:1-6, 9-16)



Opportunities for Ministry & Service

Sunday

8:45 AM Light Breakfast
& Cookie Swap
9:00 AM Sunday School
10:00 AM Indoor Worship
& Communion
10:00 AM Online Worship
6:00 PM Christmas Eve Service

Wednesday

6:30 PM Online Worship
6:30 PM NO Youth (*resumes 1/3*)

Thursday

Jail Ministry

Choir Rehearsal

The next choir rehearsal
will be Wednesday,
January 3rd at 7:45 PM.



Service Attendance

Sunday, December 17

Indoor: 43

Online: 116



Wednesday, December 20

Online: 58

No Youth

Monthly Budget & Offerings

Budget Needs:

\$17,787.33

December Offering

To Date:

\$21,509.00



Prayer Requests

Candy Anderson
Nancy Chapman
Gary Clontz
Marlene Crider
Peggy Dean
Wanda Goodwin
Sadie Griffin's Family
Hedgepeth Family
Christine Hinson
Lillian Lewis
Tammy Lovingood
Mike Lunsford
Majewski Family
Evan Manly
JoAnn Perrin
Richie Raines



Township Church Plant

Shawn Payne, the lead pastor at Township Church in Clayton, NC and one of Pastor David's connections, has expressed needs for their church plant.

If you feel led to support this church plant, we are aiming to cover 1 week's rent for them at Cleveland Elementary: \$625. Please pray that their needs are met so they can better reach those in Clayton, NC.

