

PENINSULA

BAPTIST CHURCH

...Pointing the way to life.

FAITH

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PRAYER

MISSIONS OUTREACH



A Word from Our Pastor



On Sunday December 21, in the morning services, we will receive our Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions. This is one of the most meaningful and blessed services of our church year. We will also have a flags of the nations processional highlighting the countries where members of Peninsula have gone on mission. The way we receive the offering allows us the opportunity to come in processional and place our gifts in the manger in the front of our worship area. Over the years, it has been a very moving and thrilling experience for me to see the children, youth and adults, one by one, place their gifts in the manger in a public expression of worship and love for the Lord Jesus and for the lost of the nations of the world. I invite you to prayerfully ask the Lord what you should give to this special offering. Each gift goes directly to support and sustain our missionaries as they share the gospel of Christ and minister in His name. I am looking forward to being part of this special missions emphasis on Sunday December 21 as we worship and place our gifts in the manger for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions.

Peninsula Christmas CELEBRATION

*Celebrating the Season...
Celebrating the Savior*

2008

**Saturday, December 13
&
Sunday, December 14
at 6:00 p.m.**



Presented by Peninsula's Adult Choir & kidTheatre

PRAYER LIST:

The following members were added to the prayer list this past week. For a complete list of prayer requests, please pick one up by the water fountain near the offices. Please contact Terri Holbrooks with updates on any prayer requests made. 704-664-2958 ext. 204 or terri.holbrooks@peninsulabaptist.com

- ◆ Brenda Lee
- ◆ Greg & Tammie Spencer

WE EXTEND CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY:

...to Nina & Millard Brasington in the passing of Nina's sister, Eve Thomas, on Tuesday, November 25, 2008.

LAST WEEK'S SANCTUARY FLOWERS:

Last week's sanctuary flowers were donated in memory of David Houck.

CONGRATULATIONS:

... to proud grandparents John and Joan Tinkham on the birth of granddaughter Meriel Grace Tinkham, 8 lbs 8 oz, 21.5 inches. She was born at 1:43 am on Dec 2, 2008. Parents are Russell and Jennifer Tinkham (from Ohio).

TONIGHT'S SERMON:

Tonight we come to the half way point in Revelation. We will be taking a look at God's temple, two witnesses who appear on the scene, and the seventh trumpet will sound. Join us as Dr. Cooper brings the message from Revelation chapter 11. This is an exciting chapter and you don't want to miss it! It all begins at 6:00 p.m.

SUNDAY EVENING SERVICE HAS MOVED TO THE CHAPEL FOR TONIGHT ONLY.

POINSETTIA ORDERS:

It's not too late to purchase a poinsettia in honor of or in memory of a loved one. The cost is \$8. They will be available for pick up after the Christmas Eve Service. Please contact Pam Beam 704-664-2958 ext 202 or email at pam.beam@peninsulabaptist.com

LOTTIE MOON OFFERING:

Our Lottie Moon offering will be received on Sun., Dec. 21. Envelopes are in this week's bulletin and again on Dec. 21.

GO TELL the story of Jesus:

What will it take to ensure that every tribe, tongue and nation hears the story of Jesus? 6,508 of the world's nearly 11,600 people groups are considered unreached and continue to live and die in spiritual darkness. This represents 3.8 billion people. Closing this gap will require a growing missionary force networking and partnering with stateside churches, national Baptists and like-minded Great Commission Christian organizations. Supporting this unprecedented number of missionaries will require extraordinary giving on behalf of Southern Baptists. The task is doable; God has given us the resources. Our challenge to Peninsula Baptist Church is to give \$10 for each unreached group - \$65,080. Will we be found faithful?

SPECIAL TOUCH AT CHRISTMAS:

As we approach the "giving season", we need to turn our thoughts and prayers toward our church family. If you know of someone, who because of difficult circumstances this year, needs a special touch of Christmas from their brothers and sisters in Christ, please call the church office and submit the name of the family to Terri Holbrooks at ext 204. It will be kept in the strictest confidence as the shopping is done anonymously.

CHRISTMAS--LEARN MORE:

This month many of our classes will be teaching a series of lessons designed to help you understand the Message of Christmas a little better. On December 14, we will look at the Coming of Christ through the words of Isaiah the Prophet. On December 21, we will hear the Christmas Story as presented in Luke. On December 28, Our lesson will focus on Isaiah's challenge for a new year. Please join a small group (Sunday School Class) at 9:45 or 11:00 and learn with us. Greeters at each entrance of the Church (and at Brawley Middle School, where most of our Adult Classes meet at 9:45) can help you find your place.

ICONNECT LEADERS MEETING RESCHEDULED FOR TONIGHT:

Our monthly leadership meeting is rescheduled for tonight at 7p.m. in the FH.

FAITH CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION:

On December 19, we will meet at the church for a great dinner prepared just for you, leave on the bus for the lights in McAdenville and then on to LASER QUEST in Charlotte for 3 hours of laser tag! What a night! The cost is only \$20. Register online and pay in the church office. The registration deadline is December 14th. If you plan to bring a friend, make sure they are registered on time and have a current medical release form on file in the church office.



FAITH SHOPPING AT HANES MALL:

Our annual trip to Hanes Mall will be on Mon., Dec. 22. We will leave the church parking lot at 9 AM and return by 4 PM. All you need to bring is your money for shopping, money for lunch in the mall, and your shopping list. You will need a medical release form on file for this trip. Make sure you register online by Friday, Dec 19th.

PENINSULA'S ADVENT GUIDE:

Peninsula Baptist Church has produced an Advent Guide with daily scriptures and activities to help your family focus on Christ. Some of these activities are for you to do in the home; others are events that are going on in our community. Some families who have followed this guide have expressed that the time spent together was a far better gift than the presents beneath the tree. Look at the guide, pick out one or more activities per day, and put Christ in the middle of your Christmas. To access the guide, go to www.peninsulabaptist.com. If you want a daily e-mail, send a note to stephen.mangum@peninsulabaptist.com

HOLIDAY MAIL FOR HEROES:

From now until Dec. 10, the American Red Cross and Pitney Bowes Inc. are teaming up to send holiday cards to service men and women in the US and around the world. The public is invited to send holiday cards along with a message of thanks and cheer. Send all cards to:

**Holiday Mail
For Heroes
P.O. Box 5456
Capitol Heights, MD
20791-5456**



ICONNECT's LOTTIE MOON POSTOFFICE:

Our iConnect small groups will be setting up an internal post office again this year. Bring in your Christmas cards for anyone in our church family and we will separate them and have each family pick them up. Our only request is at least a 10¢ donation to Lottie Moon. You will find the card and donation box in the lobby by the preschool stairs. Cards can be brought in until December 21.

WORK A DAY FOR LOTTIE:

Have you ever figured how much money you make in a single day? One of the challenges given for the Lottie Moon Offering is to pledge one day's wages to support international missions. When you consider the worth of a soul, you might want to give more. We will be receiving this offering on December 21 (if you are not here then, you can give any time from now through the end of December). 609,968 baptisms were recorded overseas last year. Every penny given to Lottie Moon is used to support Southern Baptist missionaries as they share the Gospel overseas.

UPWARD BASKETBALL REFEREES:

The Upward Basketball season will be starting very soon with the first games on January 16/17 weekend. We need referees to help in all divisions for games on Friday or Saturday during the season. If you are interested in refereeing, please sign-up on-line on the church sports website at www.peninsulabaptist.com and click-on: **Sports**. The link is on the main sports page. There will be a mandatory referee meeting on Tuesday, January 6, at 6:30pm. If you have any questions about refereeing, please contact Roger Brown at 704-400-3266.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- 12/9 Seniors' Christmas Luncheon
- 12/11-13 Live Nativity Iredell Fairgrounds
- 12/13 & 14 Peninsula Christmas Celebration
- 12/20 Ladies 2 SS Class Social
- 12/24 Church Office Closed
- 12/25 Church Office Closed

This week at Peninsula!

Dec. 7-Dec. 13, 2008

SUNDAY	(Items in blue are not routine items)
8:30; 9:45, 11:00 a.m.	Worship Services.....FLC
9:45, 11:00 a.m.	Sunday School.....classrooms & BMS
11:00 a.m.	New Life Bible Class.....E-10
4:00 p.m.	Bible Drill.....F-24,25,26,27
4:00 p.m.	kidTheatre.....Chapel
4:00 p.m.	Personnel Committee Mtg.....E-14
4:00 p.m.	Adult Drama practice, kidTheatre.....FLC
5:00 p.m.	iConnect (youth).....FH & classrooms
5:00 p.m.	Men's Fraternity.....E-12 & 14
5:30 p.m.	GA's, RA's, Mission Friends.....various classrooms
6:00 p.m.	Ignite Refuel.....Loft, F-32, 33
6:00 p.m.	Sunday Evening Service.....FLC
7:00 p.m.	iConnect Leaders Mtg.....FH
MONDAY	
8:00 a.m.	English As A Second Language.....F-32
9:00 a.m.	Homeschool Classes.....Main floor
6:30 p.m.	Lake Norman Comm Orchestra.....Chapel
6:30 p.m.	Faith Lessons.....FH
7:00 p.m.	W.O.M-Night Group.....Off Site
8:00 p.m.	College Bible Study.....Caribou Coffee
TUESDAY	
8:00 a.m.	English As A Second Language.....F-32
11:30 a.m.	Senior Luncheon.....FH
WEDNESDAY	
8:00 a.m.	English As A Second Language.....F-32
6:00 p.m.	Building & Grounds Committee Mtg.....F-27
6:00 p.m.	PBC Orchestra.....Chapel
6:30 p.m.	Divorce Care.....E-12
6:30 p.m.	Wednesday Night Sunday School.....E-13
6:30 p.m.	Prayer Meeting.....E-10
6:30 p.m.	iKnow for Youth.....FH
7:00 p.m.	Worship Choir.....Chapel
8:30 p.m.	Worship Team.....FLC
THURSDAY	
8:00 a.m.	English As A Second Language.....F-32
9:30 a.m.	Mooreville Soup Kitchen.....off site
9:15 a.m.	Staff Meeting.....F-33
6:00 p.m.	Live Nativity.....Iredell Co. Fairgrounds
FRIDAY	
6:30 a.m.	Men's Fraternity.....Chapel
8:00 a.m.	English As A Second Language.....F-32
6:00 p.m.	Live Nativity.....Iredell Co. Fairgrounds
6:00 p.m.	Christmas Celebration Practice.....Entire Building
6:30 p.m.	Bible Study-Chinese.....E-10
SATURDAY	
11:00 a.m.	Women's Ministry Event.....FH
6:00 p.m.	Peninsula's Christmas Celebration.....FLC
6:00 p.m.	Live Nativity.....Iredell Co. Fairgrounds

Happy Birthday to the following members of our congregation:

- Dec 7: Lynda Miller, Sandi Gambill, Michelle Dancy
- Dec 8: Randy Stephenson, Mark Rawls, Rachel Cooley, Sherry Johnson, Joyce Moss, Andrew Mauney, Kirby McGinnis
- Dec 9: Ryan Tabor, Gary Lakenan, Robert Terry, Marty Lingo, Christie Cook, Courtney Summerville, Saylor Rhodes, David Alexander, Emily Reavis
- Dec 10: Anne Anderson
- Dec 11: Alexis Moody
- Dec 12: Gayla Freeman, Brody Rhodes
- Dec 13: Lora Smith, Cathy McDonnell



CHURCH OFFICE	704-664-2958.....	FAX 704-664-3999
DR. ROBERT JACKSON	SENIOR PASTOR.....	EXT. 203
DR. HUGH COOPER.....	ASSOC. PASTOR & MINISTER TO SENIOR ADULTS	EXT. 214
REV. JEFF MARINOS	MINISTER OF MUSIC.....	EXT. 215
REV. DAVID SIMON.....	MINISTER OF EDUCATION & OUTREACH	EXT. 201
REV. DANIEL DYE.....	MINISTER TO STUDENTS	EXT. 205
REV. JOSH BENFIELD.....	MINISTER TO PRESCHOOL/CHILDREN.....	EXT. 217
REV. STEPHEN MANGUM	MINISTER OF CHURCH ADMINISTRATION	EXT. 206
PAM BEAM.....	PASTOR'S SECRETARY.....	EXT. 202
RENEE SEGER.....	RECEPTIONIST/EDUCATION & MUSIC ASSISTANT.....	EXT. 212
TERRI HOLBROOKS	INREACH MINISTRY COORDINATOR.....	EXT. 204
SARA ROLAND.....	CHILDREN/STUDENT MINISTRY ASSISTANT	EXT. 211
LISA MAUNEY	STUDENT MINISTRY COORDINATOR.....	EXT. 223
.....	SPORTS/OUTREACH MINISTRY COORDINATOR.....	EXT. 207
CHRISTIE COOK.....	PRESCHOOL MINISTRY COORDINATOR.....	EXT. 208
SUNNY COOKE	WEEKDAY PRESCHOOL DIRECTOR.....	704-663-7100

VIPs for December 14, 2008

Please pray for these Volunteers in Preschool (VIPs) serving on the 1st Sunday in December. Also, please pray for our faithful teachers, assistant teachers and team leaders who serve every Sunday in preschool. **Thank you all!**

8:30 AM—Upstairs
(3 and under)
Brian & Stacey Burge

9:45 AM—Upstairs
Kathy Lee
Robin Sherrill
Romanie Young

9:45 AM—Downstairs
Dawn Moore
Amanda Alexander
Brenda Ussery
Justin Ussery

11:00 AM—Upstairs
Debbie Godsell
Kayla Tabor
Katie Godsell
Chuck & Cheryl Bickerstaff
Tiffany Teague

11:00 AM—Downstairs
Alycia Johns
Tammie Elliott
Karen Tuttle
Bobby & Chondra Trimnal
Billy & Anna Bonham

**HOMEBOUND
OF THE WEEK**

Bob Mathews
115 Old Arborway Road
Mooreville, NC 28117

Please consider mailing an encouragement card to our homebound member.

The deadline for information to be included in Bulletin is Thursday Noon.

Event Forms are required to reserve a room, put a date on the calendar and to approve church-sponsored events. Submit form to church office.

Cooper's Corner

A patient lying on her sickbed asked her doctor, "How long shall I have to lie here and suffer?" The wise doctor replied, "Just one day at a time." God has only given us today. He has never promised us a tomorrow. He gives us today and the day comes with its burdens, duties, hopes and fears.

Aren't you glad that you don't have to live a week at a time but just one day at a time? It would be horrible to know that tomorrow you would suffer a heart attack! It would be tragic to know that next week a loved one would have cancer! So God whittled the year into smaller bits and called them days and the suggestion is that we live just one day at a time.

Just think...today may be your last day on earth ... use it wisely.

You Are Loved,
Bro Hugh

Record for Nov. 30, 2008

Attendance

Sunday School.....	471
8:30 Worship.....	150
8:45 Nursery.....	7
9:45 Worship.....	95
11:00 Worship.....	248
11:00 Nursery	35
Total	535

Regular Offering:

Given 11/30/08	\$20,544.95
Given (YTD).....	\$1,434,941.32
Sales Tax Refund (YTD)	\$8,035.82
Expenses (YTD)	\$1,400,054.76
Budgeted (YTD).....	\$1,466,788.00
**Weekly need: \$30,558	

"Fulfilling Our Call" Fund:

Contributions 11/30/08.....	\$1,610.25
— 11/30/06-11/30/08 —	
Contributions (YTD).....	\$1,119,012.73
Interest/Other Dep ...	\$763,781.68
Dep. From Budget ...	\$290,280.00
Expenses (YTD)	\$813,016.06
Balance.....	\$1,360,058.35