

# CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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The Church Where  
**"Where Everybody is Somebody"**

Seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the Lord on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare.  
*Jeremiah 29:7*

## Daily Prayers Dissolve Your Cares

Dear Father, may we constantly remember to "seek the welfare" of the place we live, adding deeds to our prayers. In Jesus' name. Amen.

**Thought for the Month**  
Add deeds to your prayers.

## Files Chapel Baptist Church Hymns for the Month



**#61 Joy to the World**

Please remember the sick shut-ins, distress and the bereaved with prayers, cards, and phone calls.

**HAVE A HAPPY AND SAFE**



## December Birthdays

Ken Bailey - Cathy Bobo  
Eyanna Cade - Maggie Clark  
X'avier Clark - Anthony Henderson Jr.  
Allie Mae Holt - Danus Holt  
Kierra Holt - Albert Holmes  
Joseph Holmes - Mae Jenkins  
Leslie Jackson - Satia Johnson  
Nettie Lindsay - Mikal Lewis  
Charles Poole - Carlton Pittman, Sr.  
Marlena Ricks - A'Zuria Shaw  
Dorothy Williams - Marquita Wood

## December Anniversary

Mr. & Mrs. Joe Poole/Lucy

## What is the true meaning of Christmas

The true meaning of Christmas is love. John 3:16-17 says, "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him." The true meaning of Christmas is the celebration of this incredible act of love.

The real Christmas story is the story of God's becoming a human being in the Person of Jesus Christ. Why did God do such a thing? Because He loves us! Why was Christmas necessary? Because we needed a Savior! Why does God love us so much? Because He is love itself (1 John 4:8). Why do we celebrate Christmas each year? Out of gratitude for what God did for us, we remember His birth by giving each other gifts, worshiping Him, and being especially conscious of the poor and less fortunate.

The true meaning of Christmas is love. God loved His own and provided a way the only Way for us to spend eternity with Him. He gave His only Son to take our punishment for our sins. He paid the price in full, and we are free from condemnation when we accept that free gift of love. "But God demonstrated His own love for us in this: while we were still sinners, Christ died for us (Romans 5:8).

### The Christ In Christmas

How can you take Christ out of Christmas  
What meaning would there be  
For truly it is Jesus who is the reason  
for this special season you see.

Those who want to say happy holiday  
should be reminded this I say,  
you can find Holy there  
and that should be our prayer.

And further still you say, Santa Claus,  
well, he was a Christian leader too  
by the name of Saint Nicholas  
who helped others all year through.

So as hard as you may try  
There is no reason why  
we would have Christmas time  
without Jesus in our mind.

### -Little Johnny's Corner



#### Little Johnny Wanted A Red Bicycle for Christmas

Little Johnny asked his mother, Can I have a red bicycle for Christmas? No, you've been a bad boy all year. Why do you think Santa should get you a red bicycle for Christmas? I want you to go and write a letter to God explaining why you should get a red bicycle for Christmas. So Little Johnny went upstairs and started writing. Dear God, I've been a great boy this year. He crumpled it up. Threw it away. Dear God, I've been an okay boy this year. Crumpled it up. Thrown it away. Dear God, I've been a KINDA okay boy this year. He crumpled it up. Threw it away. He goes back downstairs. Mom? What else could I possibly do? You can go to church and personally ask for forgiveness as you reconsider your actions. That could possibly get you a red bicycle for Christmas. So Little Johnny went and put on his coat and walked to church. When he went into church, he looked around to see if anyone was watching him. He ran up to the sanctuary by the alter. He checked AGAIN to see if anyone was watching. He then snagged the statue of Mary, put her in his coat, and ran home. He went upstairs, and begun writing his letter to God again. Dear God, I have your mother. If you want her back, give me a red bicycle for Christmas.

### \*Community Calendar\*

#### Community Watch Meeting

South Lexington / 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday  
No Meeting/December

-Davidson County Democrats Meeting-  
1<sup>st</sup> Thursday 7:00 PM  
Yarborough's Restaurant 321 Marco Blvd

Davidson County Democrats Women's Meeting  
2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday 7:00 PM  
Grace Episcopal Church 419 S. Main St.

### \*Church Schedule\*

Monday, December 3  
Church Conference 6:30am

-Tuesday-  
Counseling 6:30 PM (By Appointment)

-Wednesday-  
Bible Study - 6:00pm

Saturday, December 8  
Brotherhood Fellowship 8:45am

Saturday, December 15  
Women's Hour of Prayer - 12Noon

December 16  
Annual Christmas Program - 5:00pm

Monday December 31  
Watch Night Service 10:00pm

-Sunday-  
Sunday School 9:45am  
Morning Worship Service 11:00am  
Children's Church 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday - 11:00am

Membership Training  
Jerry Partee / Deacon Carlton Pittman, Sr.

### God's Plan For Saving Man

Divine Love: John 3:16  
God's Grace: Ephesians 2:8  
Christ's Blood: Romans 5:9  
Holy Spirit's Word: Romans 1:16  
Sinner's Faith: Acts 16:31  
Sinner's Repentance: Luke 13:3  
Sinner's Confession: Romans 10:10  
Sinner's Baptism: Acts 22:16  
Christian's Love: Matthew 22:37  
Christian's Work: James 2:24  
Christian's Hope: Romans 8:24  
Christian's Endurance: Revelation 2:10