

From Our Pastor

January 3, 2024

HOLLYWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH

“In the beginning God created” All throughout scripture there are new beginnings with God:

- IN - Genesis 12 God calls Abraham to become a NEW NATION
- IN - Genesis 35 - we see God giving Jacob a NEW NAME (Israel)
- IN - Exodus 3 – God gives an 80-year-old man tending sheep a NEW MISSION
- IN - the book of Joshua God gives His people a NEW LAND
- IN – the book of Ruth, God gave a foreign widow a NEW PEOPLE
- IN – 1 Kings 19, God gave a depressed and downcast prophet, a NEW PURPOSE
- IN – Isaiah 40, God tells the weary, tired, and worn that if they hope in Him, they will be given NEW STRENGTH
- AND WHEN - God put on flesh and walked this earth, He spoke of a NEW COMMAND and a NEW COVENANT.
- IN - Acts 5 after breaking them out of prison, an angel from God told the apostles to go preach the message of this NEW LIFE.
- AND John in the book of Revelation spoke of a NEW HEAVEN and a NEW EARTH

God is definitely the God of New Beginnings. In Isaiah 43:18-19, “Remember ye not the former things, neither consider the things of old. Behold, I will do a new thing; now it shall spring forth; shall ye not know it? I will even make a way in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert.”

Is it time to allow God to bring a new beginning in your life? Do you need a reset in 2024? We don't lose our past, we still have memories, we still have accomplishments and consequences that happened last year, but we have the opportunity for a new beginning and a fresh start in 2024. In Psalm 40:2-3 the Psalmist wrote, “He brought me up also out of a horrible pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a rock, and established my goings. And he hath put a new song in my mouth, even praise unto our God: many shall see it, and fear, and shall trust in the Lord.” God desires to do a fresh work in your heart in this New Year.

In Matthew 6:33 the Bible says, “But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.”

First, you have to be willing to admit where you are. If you don't know where you are and what your needs are then you are in trouble. That is a good indicator that it is time for a “do over.” Robert Louis Stevenson said, “Everyone who got where he is had to begin where he was.” Be honest with yourself and openly admit the truth concerning you.

Secondly, you must be willing to seek God. The first thing to do is to turn your heart and attention towards God. He already knows you and what your needs are, so open yourself up to Him and believe Him to start a deep refreshing work in your life. You have to put yourself back on the “easel of life” and allow God to finish His work in you.

Martin Luther King Jr. wrote, “You don't have to see the whole staircase, just take the first step.” I have learned that God will never hurt you. He has your best interest at heart. In 2 Corinthians 5:17 the scripture says, “Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.” God can give you a brand-new life that is grounded in Himself, but you have to be willing to take the first step. “Behold, the former things are come to pass, and new things do I declare.” What God has before you in this New Year is far beyond your comprehension. If you are stuck or frozen in fear or unbelief, will you stop right now and hit that reset button and ask God to do a new work in you? Don't dwell on the past but look to God to bring a new beginning to your life in 2024. The Bible says to “redeem the time because the days are evil.” Take advantage of the time you have and hit that reset button and watch God work.

Bro. Terry

January 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 <i>Happy New Year!</i>	2	3 7:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting	4	5	6
7 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Worship Service 5:30 p.m. Bible Study	8	9	10 7:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting	11	12	13
14 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Worship Service 4:00 p.m. Church Council 5:15 p.m. Joy on the Ark/Mountain Movers 5:30 p.m. Bible Study	15	16	17 7:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting	18 6:30 p.m. <i>Ladies Bible Study.</i>	19	20 10 a.m. <i>Baby Shower: Zoey Mills</i>
21 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Worship Service 5:15 p.m. Joy on the Ark 5:30 p.m. Bible Study	22	23	24 7:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting	25 6:30 p.m. <i>Ladies Bible Study.</i>	26	27 <i>Men's Prayer Advance</i> 
28 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Worship Service 5:15 p.m. Joy on the Ark 6:00 p.m. Chili and Cornbread Dinner	29	30	31 7:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting			

Nursery for January

- 1 Barry Anderson
- 5 Cody Scarce
- 11 Karen Allen
Dorothy Fowlkes
Larry Weiss
- 14 Lexi Lewis
- 17 Jessica Moore Phelps
- 19 Darren Conner
Rebecca Moore
Gatewood
Sarah Moore Bookheimer
Jacob Doss
Jacob Tosh
- 20 Linda Barbour
Toni Hayden
- 21 Randy Gatewood
- 23 Michelle Brock Kendrick
- 26 Seth R. Weiss
- 27 Terri Mullins
- 28 Karey Burgess
Melanie Tosh
- 30 Sierra Burnett
- 31 Robert D. Nuckols



**Have a name
you'd like to add
to birthday list?
Let Julie know!**

Sun January 1, 2022

9:45 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. Pam Anderson, Emmalee Ayers, Pam Kendrick, & Hannah Shaw

Sun January 8, 2022

9:45 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. Mary Moss, Renee Moore, Nora Payne, & Samantha Pressley

Sun January 15, 2022

10:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Dana Wells, Holly St. John, James & Sylvia Lumpkins

Sun January 22, 2022

10:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Shelly Lewis, Cassie Gatewood, Donnie & Peggy Moore

Greeters

- January 7 Susie Holmes & Jetty Burgess
- January 14 Joan Nuckols & Melody Collins
- January 21 Mary Moon Moore & James Allen
- January 28 Emma Walden & John Moore

Deacon of the Week(*)/Usher

- January 7 Adam Burgess*, James Lumpkins, Larry Weiss, Roger Walden
- January 14 Sid Lankford*, Adam Lumpkins, Bryan Lewis, Terry Moore
- January 21 Chris Falls*, Donnie Moore, Gary Matherly, Dale McFaddin
- January 28 Tommy Jefferson*, Bobby Mullins, Drake Easley, Randy Gatewood

Children's Church

- January 7 Lynita & Christina Falls, Shane Pressley & Drake Easley, Sherry Reynolds & Mary Claytor
- January 14 John & Mary Moon Moore. Wendy Byrd, Jackie Hammock
- January 21 Terri Mullins, Damon Mullins, Bobby Mullins, & Aiden Mullins
- January 28 Karen Carlsen, Mike & Dana Wells



**Changed your address or phone
number? Please let Julie know!**

We want to express our sincere gratitude for the generous Christmas gift you blessed us with this year. We cannot begin to convey how your support, not just financially, but in prayers, cards, and encouragement have ministered to us over this past year. You have truly been His hands and feet to our family, and we are forever grateful. You are a blessing to serve!

Bro. Terry & Holly

Dear Church Family,
Thank you so much for the lovely calendar and the gift card. They really made my Christmas merry! It was so kind of you to remember me, thank you!

Julie

JANUARY MISSIONS EMPHASIS:

Hollywood is proud to support Transitions Pregnancy Solutions in Danville. We ask you to pray for this vital ministry.



When you meet with one of our experienced and understanding pregnancy decision consultants, you'll get answers to your questions and so much more.

Our confidential, cost-free services include:

- Abortion Information
- Adoption Agency Referrals
- Adoption Information
- Maternity & Infant Supplies
- Medical Referrals
- Parenting Education
- Post-Abortion Support
- Pregnancy Options Information
- Pregnancy Tests
- STD/STI Information
- Support for Men
- Ultrasound (Onsite)*

2023 Lottie Moon Offering



As a church, you have set a pledge goal of **\$16,145.00**, for the 2023 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. As of December 24, 2023 we have collected **\$19,505.01**. **Our 2023 total and our 2024 pledge will be announced soon!**



The Mission of the Manger

Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age. — Matthew 28:19-20

2023 Lottie Moon Goal
\$16,145



Are you decluttering in the New Year? If so, please remember Grace A Lot, our local clothing closet would love to bless those in need with the items you're discarding. There is currently a pause on accepting clothing donations as people's generosity has over filled their space, but they are seeking hygiene items and household and baby items. Grace A Lot is located at 1500 Weal Road, and they now have a collection box so that you can drop off your donations whenever is most convenient for you!



This month we will be collecting **winter hats, scarves, and gloves** for Operation Christmas Child boxes. Crafters, handmade hats and scarves are greatly appreciated! For the less crafty, store bought items are also welcome. If you'd like to help, but don't want to shop, cash donations are always accepted! Place your items in the Operation Christmas Child donation box located underneath table in the foyer.



Donations will be used for our church wide packing party in November. If you have any questions, please see Julie!

January Goal: 175 Winter Clothing Items



Offering envelopes are available now. If you would like envelopes and have not received them, please let Julie know. Giving statements for 2023 will be available soon!



A New Year is a wonderful time to start a new habit! If you haven't been joining us for Sunday School, now is the perfect time to start! We have classes available for all ages, Sunday mornings at 10:00 a.m. Give God an extra hour and see how richly you will be blessed!

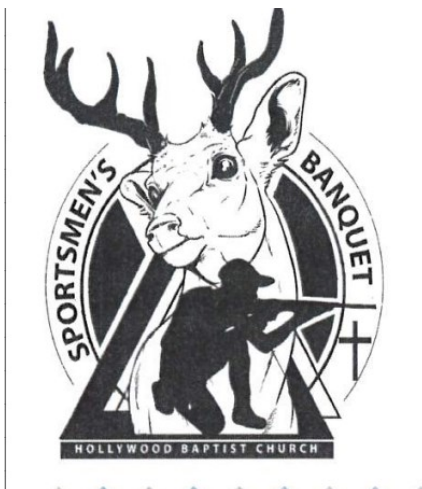


The Men's Prayer Advance will be held in Roanoke, January 25-27. This is a special time of fellowship and prayer open to all men of the church. The church will have rooms at a local hotel available. If you have questions about

attending the prayer advance, please contact the church office. Come see what blessings God has in store for you if you give Him your time and attention during this prayer advance!



The church will be hosting a baby shower for Zoey Mills on Saturday, January 20, at 10:00 a.m. Zoey is expecting a girl, and is registered at babylist.com. If you have any questions about the shower, please see Kim Chumley.



Save the date!
Sportsmen's Banquet
February 24, 2024
Guest Speaker:
Ike Murphy



The Ladies' Prayer Advance will be held in Roanoke, March 21-23. The church will have rooms at a local hotel available. There is an early registration discount (register by January 15 for \$109).

If you have questions about attending the prayer advance, please contact the church office. Come see what blessings God has in store for you if you give Him your time and attention during this prayer advance!



SUNDAY SING

Sunday, January 28, 2024 | 6-8pm
Chili, cornbread, and dessert provided
Donations welcomed



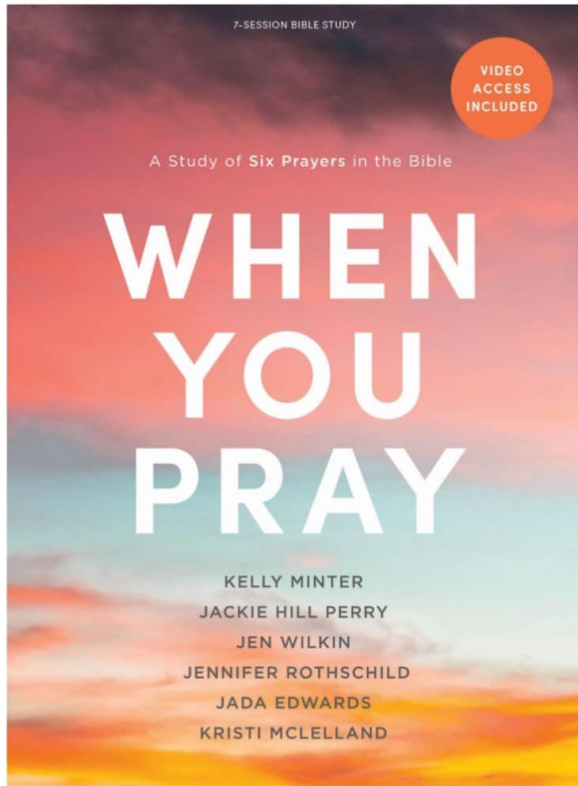
Olivia and Tanner Hawkins

FEATURING:



Colston Ware

Ladies Ministry News



Join us for a new Ladies Bible study starting January 18 at 6:30 p.m. This seven session study will focus on prayers in the Bible and feature examples of how to pray alone and with others. If you would like to join the study and need a book , please sign up on the sheets in the foyer. Contact Paige Conner with questions.

This year we have 2 options to grow us in God's Word every day:

1. We have a Scripture **WRITING** Plan. This month's topic is "New Beginnings." Read the verses, write them down and ask God, "What in this passage do I need to see?"
2. We have a **READ** Through the Bible in a Year Plan. We have two plans available for this, Canonical, which is the books in the order they appear in the Bible. We also have Chronological. This plan is in chronological order so it is different than reading from Genesis to Revelation. It takes us through the Bible in order of when events occurred.

Copies of all plans are available online in the Daughters of Hope Facebook group or in hard copy in the church foyer.

We hope that you will join us in spending time in God's Word in 2024!

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Upcoming Events

February 4

Church Council

February 24

Sportsmen's Banquet