

Our Members Serving

<u>Nursery Dec 1</u>	<u>Nursery Dec 8</u>	<u>Nursery Dec 15</u>	<u>Nursery Dec 22</u>	<u>Nursery Dec 29</u>
Kayla & Emma Bumgarner	Peggy Coffey Caprice Coffey	Wanda Cornwell Brittany Black	Dinah Barkley Jillian Crisson	Linda Parker Josiah Coffey

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Jerry Reynolds Josiah Coffey Mike Stamey Josh Carpenter	Bob Goode Brian Bumgarner Matt Farmer Kyle Withers	Matt Farmer Josiah Coffey Jerry Reynolds Josh Carpenter	Matt Farmer Allen Dudley Mike Stamey Brian Bumgarner	Bob Goode Allen Dudley Larry Coffey Kyle Withers

<u>Deacons</u>		
Chris Poole	704-735-7795	Dec 1
Brian Bumgarner	704-530-1805	Dec 8
Brian Crisson	704-472-5969	Dec 15
Sonny Wise	704-732-9632	Dec 22

<u>Sound & Video</u>
Dec 1 Chris Poole
Dec 8 Chris Poole
Dec 15 Chris Poole
Dec 22 Chris Poole
Dec 29 Brian Crisson

December 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Sunday School 9:45 AM Children’s Church 11:00 AM Morning Worship 11:00 AM Choir Practice 4:30 PM Evening Worship 6:00 PM Church Council 7:30 PM	2 Devotions Brian Center 6:45 PM	3	4 AWANA, Youth Bible Study, Adult Prayer & Bible Study& DivorceC- are 6:30 PM	5 House & Grounds Mtg. 7:00 PM Senior Citizen’s Banquet 6:00 PM	6	7
8 Sunday School 9:45 AM Children’s Church 11:00 AM Morning Worship 11:00 AM Brotherhood Meeting 12:15 PM Choir Practice 4:30 PM Business Meeting 6:00 PM Evening Worship 6:00 PM	9 Devotions Brian Center 6:45 PM Deacon’s Mtg. 7:00 PM	10	11 AWANA, Youth Bible Study, Adult Pray- er & Bible Study & DivorceCare 6:30 PM Stewardship Mtg. 8:15 PM	12	13	14 Children’s Play Practice 10 AM– 12:00 PM
15 Sunday School 9:45 AM Children’s Church 11:00 AM Morning Worship 11:00 AM Cantata 6:00 PM	16 Devotions Brian Center 6:45 PM	17	18 Children’s Activities, Youth Bible Study, Adult Prayer & Bible Study & DivorceCare 6:30 PM	19	20	21 Children’s Play Practice 10:00 AM—12:00
22 Sunday School 9:45 AM Children’s Church 11:00 AM Children’s Christmas Play 11:00 AM Church-wide Christmas Fellowship 6:00 PM	23 No Devotions Brian Center	24 Christmas Eve Communion 9:00 PM	25 Christmas Day No Regular Wed night Activities	26	27	28
29 Sunday School 9:45 AM Children’s Church 11:00 AM Morning Worship 11:00 AM Communion 11:00 AM No Evening Service	30 Devotions Brian Center 6:45 PM	31				

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Connecting the members of River View Baptist Church



Face In the Window

It was Christmas Eve. A jostling crowd of shoppers was busy grabbing last-minute bargains. A small girl, in tattered clothes made her way through the crowd. Her name was Nelly. You will find such a girl in most cities or towns, if you will look around.

Nelly was also shopping—window shopping. She had no money and she was hungry. The twinkling lights, the colorful Christmas candles and dazzling decorations and displays in the shop windows fascinated Nelly. As she passed the store with the Christmas cakes and pastries in the shop window, she felt even more hungry. She paused.... then moved a step forward to press her little snub nose against the glass pane, as she gazed greedily at the Christmas “goodies.” It only lasted for a little while. The manager of the shop saw a face in the window....the pale face filled with hunger. The face in the window was bad for business, so Nelly was told gruffly: “ You there, be off!”

Nelly did not need a second bidding. She was now frightened as well. She hurried through the crowd, until she reached the attic where she lived with her aged grandma. Grandma was asleep. This was the only thing they did not have to buy. This was the slumber that helped them to forget the many misfortunes: they were hungry...they had nothing for Christmas....no new clothes.... no decorations.... and for Nelly, the huggable doll she saw in the shop window. Nelly also soon found refuge in sleep. She dreamed that she purchased the doll in the shop, that beautiful doll with the rolling eyes and the wide eyelashes, was her very own. From the distance wafted the strains of the well-loved carol: “Hark the Herald Angels Sing.”

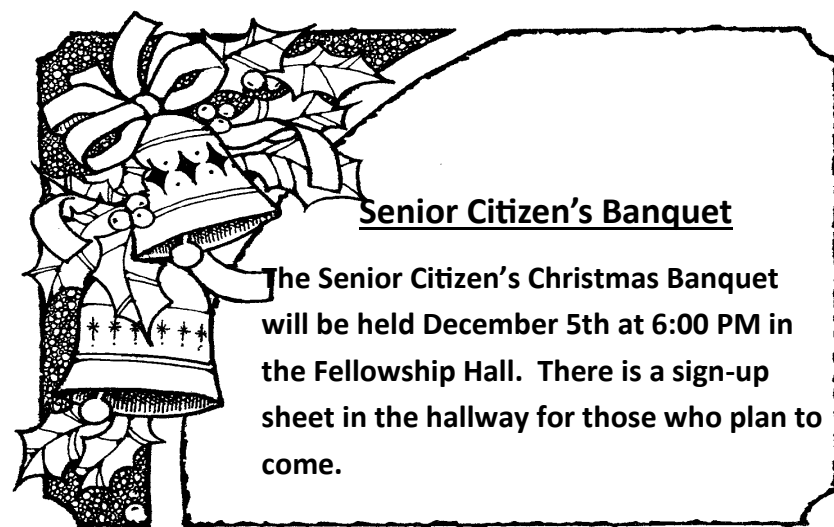
Nelly’s are all around us and Christmas is a time that we must remember is about giving. For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life (John 3:16). We are never more like God than when we give!

Pastor Ricky

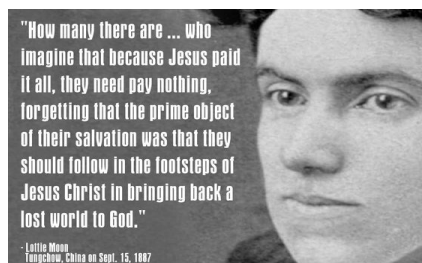
River View Baptist Church is prayerfully focused on Christ, our community, and the people of the world with the mandate to reach and equip individuals for spiritually healthy lives.



Christian Ministry reminds us that December is River View Baptist church's month to collect for the Christian Ministry pantry/soup kitchen. Most needed items are Peanut Butter, Laundry Detergent, Chef Boyardee, Bar Soap canned items, Soup, corn, canned beans, crackers, rice and Spaghetti sauce, and pop top canned meats. They also need plastic grocery bags. There is a tub in the hallway for donations.



The Senior Citizen's Christmas Banquet will be held December 5th at 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. There is a sign-up sheet in the hallway for those who plan to come.



December 1st-December 8th has been designated as the week of prayer for International missions. Please commit to prayer for our missionaries around the world as they strive to share God's love and message of salvation. Giving to the Lottie Moon Christmas offering enables International Missionaries to take the gospel to unreached peoples around the world. Every dollar you give makes a difference, because 100 % of the money collected goes to the work of reaching every nation.

**** Taken from IMB website.****



The Choir will be presenting the Christmas Cantata "Peace Has Come" on Sunday, December 15th at 6:00 PM



The children's Christmas program will be presented on Sunday, December 22nd at 11:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall. Come join us as they present, "A Peanut Butter Christmas."



Our Church-wide Christmas Fellowship will be held on Sunday, December 22nd at 6:00 PM

This will be a covered dish meal and will be held in the Fellowship Hall.

Bring your favorite Christmas dish and be ready for a lot of fun and fellowship as we celebrate the Christmas season.




December Birthdays

- 5 Ayden Hooper
- 7 Danny Parker
- 8 Jerry Reynolds III
- 9 Brian Bumgarner
- 10 Debbie Keever
- Debbie Whitworth
- 14 Cheryl Bumgarner
- 22 Kyle Withers
- 23 Marilyn Auton
- 25 Mardecia Reid
- 30 Thomasine Black
- Myrlene Callaway



December Anniversaries

- 6 Danny & Linda Parker
- 9 David & Robin Coffey
- 20 Hubert & Carol Lambert

Lottie Moon Offering Goal	\$6500.00	
L. Moon Offering received to date:	\$200.00	
Amount needed to reach goal:	\$6300.00	

Lottie Moon Christmas Offering



There will be no regular Wednesday night services on December 25th due to the Christmas holidays.

We will observe Christmas Eve Communion at 9:00 PM on December 24th.

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