



# Westfield Baptist Church

*Loving God. Loving Others.*

## December 2025 Newsletter

### CELEBRATE GOD'S WORK IN 2024

As reported by IMB missionaries  
and national partners

**3,577**

Missionaries on the Field

**68,628**

Baptisms

**84,430**

New Leaders

**2,409**

Churches Planted

**144,969**

Professed Faith in Jesus

**1.6 MILLION**

Heard the Gospel Presentation



*"We remain grateful for churches in the U.S. who support God's mission on the other side of the world. This task isn't possible without our work together."*

HUN SOL, IMB MISSIONARY

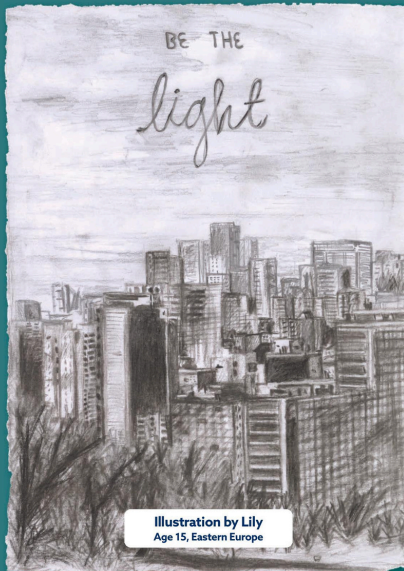


Illustration by Lily  
Age 15, Eastern Europe

### WHAT IS THE LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING®?

At 18, Lottie Moon chose to follow Christ, and her life became a testimony of hope. Years later in China, she gave herself to serving others and sharing the light of God's love in the midst of great need.

In her letters home, she pleaded for prayer and support — so that more people could bring that same hope to a world in darkness. Her words sparked a legacy that continues today through the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering®.

Every dollar you give becomes more than a gift — it brings hope, it brings light. 100% of your offering supports missionaries who carry the gospel to the ends of the earth.

This Christmas, carry the light of Christ to others. Together, we can shine in the darkest places. Thank you for giving today.

[lottiemoon.com](http://lottiemoon.com)

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### 2025 Update



Thank you to everyone who helped with Christmas Shoeboxes this year. WMU was able to pack and send 150 boxes! Your generosity makes a difference.

The Lottie Moon Post Office will be available beginning on December 1. You are welcome to leave your addressed Christmas Cards for church members and attendees. We kindly suggest that you donate what you would have spent on postage to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.



You can give to the Lottie Moon Christmas offering this December by marking your giving envelope "Lottie Moon Offering"



# A Note from Pastor Blake

Dear WBC Family,

Every December, we remember that Christmas is the story of God sending His Son into the world. But have you ever paused to consider that the story of Christmas began long before Christmas?

Before there was a manger, before there were shepherds, wise men, or angels singing, God had already set His mission in motion. His mission? To fill the earth with His glory by redeeming a people from every nation.

That's what we're focusing on in our new sermon series, "The Mission of God." Over the next four Sundays, we'll walk together from Genesis to Galatians, seeing how God's plan for the nations—from Eden to Abraham to the prophets—finds its ultimate expression in the coming of Christ.

## From the Garden to the Manger

### December 1 — Created for Mission

Genesis shows us that humanity was created in the image of God to *fill the earth* with His glory. Sin, however, would threaten that mission. From the moment Adam and Eve fell, the world has been longing for a Redeemer—the promised Seed who would crush the serpent and restore what was broken. Christmas is God keeping that promise.

### December 8 — Blessed to Be a Blessing

While I'm away in Oaxaca, MX, Kevin Kilby will lead us through Genesis 12 and God's call to Abram. Long before Jesus came, God promised that through Abraham's offspring "all the nations of the earth would be blessed." That blessing finds its ultimate fulfillment in Christ.

### December 15 — A Light to the Nations

Through the prophets, God revealed that His Servant would not only restore Israel but would bring salvation "to the ends of the earth." That Servant is Jesus—the Light who dawned in Bethlehem to pierce the darkness for every tribe, tongue, and people.

### December 22 — Sent in the Fullness of Time

And on the final Sunday before Christmas, we'll rejoice in Galatians 4:4–5: "When the fullness of time had come, God sent forth His Son..." The mission begun in Eden and promised to Abraham finds its crescendo in the coming of Christ. God sent his Son to redeem sinners and adopt us into God's worldwide family.

The Christmas story is a missionary story.





## Oaxaca

And just as God has always been pursuing the nations, our church has the privilege of joining Him in that mission. From December 2–10, I will be traveling with pastors from:

- Pleasant Hill Baptist Church
- Place of Prayer
- Jessup Grove Baptist Church

In addition, we're partnering in prayer and future mission work with:

- Simmons Grove Baptist Church
- Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church

Together, we'll be asking God how our churches can most effectively serve among some of the most lost communities in Mexico.

Our goal is simple: to seek clarity and conviction.  
Clarity about *where* God would have us work.  
Conviction about *how* He would have us join Him.

We'll be visiting villages on mountains and in jungles. We'll be in places where gospel access is limited. Churches are few and sparse. The spiritual need is great.

Please pray:

1. For Discernment — that God would show us clearly which communities to invest in.
2. For Relationships — that our time with local pastors and missionaries would bear fruit.
3. For Opportunity — that open doors will be made obvious, even in difficult-to-reach places.
4. For Protection — as we travel through remote and rugged regions.
5. For Unity — that these five partnering churches would work shoulder to shoulder for Christ.

## A Final Word

When you see a Christmas tree this year, remember: the story of Christmas is the story of mission. When you hear the angels' song, remember: their praise anticipates the worldwide worship God promised to Abraham.

When you look at the manger, remember this: the Child born in Bethlehem is the Savior God promised in Eden. He is the Light Isaiah foretold. He is the Redeemer who is gathering distant nations into His family.

May we joyfully take part in the mission that began before time, is fulfilled in Christ, and will one day be completed when all nations worship at His feet.

In Christ,  
Pastor Blake





Westfield  
**KIDS**  
Ministry



## *A Note from Tricia*

The countdown to Christmas is on! With only a few weekends left in the year, our schedules begin to overflow with parties, family gatherings, concerts, baking, and so much more. December always seems to pass in a blur, and the few weeks between Thanksgiving and Christmas go by in the blink of an eye. Because of that, it becomes easier each year to lose sight of the true meaning of the season.

My prayer is that our families at Westfield Baptist Church will slow down and be intentional this Christmas. I encourage you to spend time together during the Advent season. To help you do that, we're hosting a Parent Round Table on Sunday, November 30, where we will share practical ideas for celebrating Advent. I'll have helpful resources for you to look through, take home, and use with your family.

I also want to give you the gift of time. With Pastor Blake in Mexico for two Wednesday nights, we've made the intentional decision to pause our Wednesday night programs for the month of December. I hope you will use these evenings to reconnect with friends, gather with other believers, study God's Word as a family, or simply rest together.

This December, our teens will have several opportunities to serve. They will be shopping for kids in Foster care. Thanks to your donations we raised over \$1800 for Foster Care Christmas. Our teens will also help sort toys at Toys for Tots in Mt. Airy. Our Kids and Student Ministries will celebrate with Christmas parties on Sunday, December 14. Kids Ministry families and volunteers are invited to join us at 4:30 pm for fun, games, and a retelling of the Christmas story. At 5:30 pm, we'll enjoy a potluck dinner with the whole family. When dinner concludes at 6:30 pm, our teens will begin their Student Ministry Christmas Party. Both gatherings will include a \$5 gift card exchange and opportunities to donate toys for the Fire Department Christmas Outreach.

We would love for you to join us for Christmas Day worship at 5:00 pm—a wonderful opportunity for your family to pause and reflect on the true meaning of Christmas. As an added blessing, we are offering a free Parents' Night Out on Friday, January 2, for kids of all ages (potty-trained through 12th grade). We'll provide games, dinner, and a movie. Please register so we can prepare well. You can sign up at <https://www.westfieldbaptistchurch.org/events> or in the Kids Area.

Thank you for your continued love, support, and investment in our Kids and Student Ministries!

In Christ,  
*Tricia Lowe*



## *December Birthdays*

1 Kathryn Barker  
4 Tricia Lowe  
6 Jackie Nester  
8 Chris Sloop  
10 Brandon Lowe  
11 Karen Midkiff  
13 Phyllis Owens-Phillips  
17 Ted Cox  
17 Byron Voigt  
17 Kathy White  
20 Sue Davis  
24 Taylor Sutphin  
26 Scott Smith  
28 Susan Brannock  
28 Stacey Watson  
31 Ruth Chilton  
31 Phil Sutphin

*Christmas Day  
Worship Service*  
**5:00 PM**



# Secret Snow Sisters

Join the fun this January with a small gift exchange between the ladies of WBC

- \$20 gift limit for the whole month of January!
- You can bring in a small gift each week or do a one time bigger gift. The possibilities are endless.
- We will have names available to draw before or after Sunday School or Worship Service on Sunday, December 14.
- We will have an reveal pot-luck lunch follow Worship Service on Sunday, February 1.
- Secret Snow Sisters is open to all 6<sup>th</sup> Grade-Adult Women who attend Westfield Baptist Church



If you would like to participate please fill out an information sheet before December 10. You can return it to Tricia Lowe, Doris Jessup, or place it in the offering plate. Please see Tricia or Doris with any questions.



JOIN US FOR A  
**Golden Agers**  
**CHRISTMAS PARTY**

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**TUESDAY**  
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DECEMBER  
**16**

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**AT 12:00 PM**  
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**THE GOLDEN AGERS COMMITTEE WOULD  
LIKE TO INVITE ALL SENIORS TO BE OUR  
GUESTS TO A LUNCHEON TO CELEBRATE THE  
CHRISTMAS SEASON.**

**In order to prepare enough food, we are requesting a  
RSVP by December 14, 2025**

Sign up on sign-up sheet in hallway by choir room or contact any of  
the following:

- Ruth Chilton - 413-2887 [rchilton6@triad.rr.com](mailto:rchilton6@triad.rr.com)
- June Tilley - 368-2514 [bjtilley@yahoo.com](mailto:bjtilley@yahoo.com)
- Frances Cox - 351-2839 [francescox1944@yahoo.com](mailto:francescox1944@yahoo.com)
- Peggy Manuel - 351-2807 [Lpegmanuel@gmail.com](mailto:Lpegmanuel@gmail.com)
- Kathy Sutphin - 351-2734 [ksutphin@surry.net](mailto:ksutphin@surry.net)

If you are homebound and cannot come to the church, we would  
love to deliver a meal to your home.

If you would like transportation and live in the community, please let  
us know and we will plan to get you to and from the church.

# CHRISTMAS AT



**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 29**  
**9:00 AM**

**DECORATING WBC**

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30**  
**11:00 AM**

**HANGING OF THE GREENS**

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14**  
**4:00 PM**

**FAMILY MINISTRY**  
**CHRISTMAS PARTIES**

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16**  
**12:00 PM**

**GOLDEN AGERS**  
**CHRISTMAS PARTY**

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25**  
**5:00 PM**

**CHRISTMAS DAY**  
**SERVICE**

\* We will be taking a pause on Wednesday night programs for the Month of December. However, we do have a quarterly business meeting on Wednesday, December 17 at 6:30 pm\*



**MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY**  
**HOLIDAYS TO ALL!**

Westfield  
**KIDS**  
Ministry



# CHRISTMAS PARTY



*Kids Ministry Party 4:00-5:30 PM*

*Family Dinner 5:30-6:30 PM*

*Student Ministry Party 6:30-8:00 PM*

*Please bring a potluck style dish to share!*

*Dessert and Drinks will be provided*



# Parents Night Out

## Friday, January 3

5:00–9:00 pm

*This night is great for Potty-Trained through 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Kids.  
However, Middle and High School students are also invited to  
join the fun by volunteering to help with the kids.*

**FREE!**  
**Dinner, Movie, and  
games included!**

*Let us know you are coming by signing up online at  
[www.westfieldbaptistchurch.org/events](http://www.westfieldbaptistchurch.org/events)  
or by scanning the QR code.*



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# December 2025

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>Sunday School</b> 9:45 am <b>Worship</b> 11:00 am	Every Monday <b>Walk in Faith</b> 4:15 pm		Every Wednesday <b>Bible Study</b> 7:00 pm	Every Thursday <b>Walk in Faith</b> 4:15 pm	Every Friday <b>Prayer Meeting</b> 11:30 am <b>Y.A. Bible Study</b> 6:00 pm	
	1	2	3	4	5	6 FH Reserved Jill Smith
7 <b>Student Ministry</b> Christmas Shopping After Church	8	9 <b>SBA Senior Adult Fellowship</b> <b>Staff Relations</b> 6:00 pm	10	11	12	13 FH Reserved June Tilley
14 Kids and Student Ministry Christmas Party	15 <b>Finance Meeting</b> 6:30 pm	16 <b>Prayers and Squares</b> 1:00 pm <b>Golden Agers Christmas Party</b> 12:00 pm <b>Deacons Meeting</b> 6:30 pm	17 <b>Business Meeting and Meal</b>	18	19	20 FH Reserved Jill Smith
21 FH Reserved Bonnie Jessup	22	23 FH Reserved Doris Jessup	24 FH Reserved WJFD	25 Christmas Service 5:00 pm	26	27
28	29	30	31		2 Parents Night Out	



# JANUARY 2026

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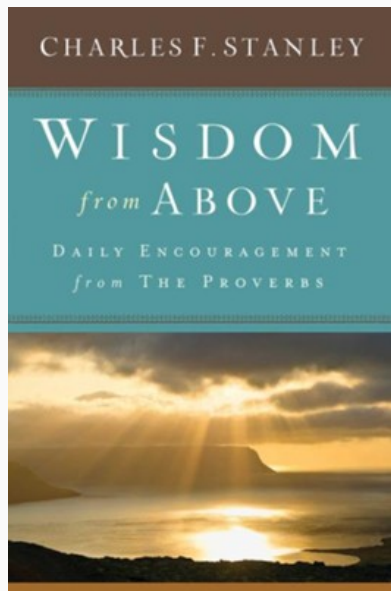
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Sunday School 9:45 am Worship: 11:00 am	Every Monday Walk in Faith: 4:15 pm		Prayer Meeting: 6:00 pm Bible Study: 7:00 pm	1 Every Thursday Walk in Faith: 4:15 pm	2 Parents Night Out	3
4 Student Ministry 6:00 pm	5 WMU	6 Staff Relations 6:00 pm	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18 Student Ministry 6:00 pm	19 Finance Meeting 6:30	20 Prayers and Squares 1:00 pm Deacons Meeting 6:30	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

Homebound and  
Assisted Living  
Members

Sue & Kelly Davis  
6679 Westfield Road  
Westfield, NC 27053

Hazel Burkhart  
Arbor Ridge at  
Stanleyville  
Apartment #124  
350 Arbor View Lane  
Winston Salem, NC  
27105

# Book of the Month:



Need encouragement to get through hard times---or summon hope for the future? Stanley's 365-day devotional provides inspirational guidance and timeless teachings from the Book of Proverbs. Each day he shares a relevant Bible verse, a comforting prayer, and an encouraging message that addresses topics including relationships, emotions, communication, leadership, and more. 400 pages, hardcover from Howard.



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## Sundays:

**9:45 am** Sunday School

**11:00 am** Worship Service

## Wednesdays:

**6:15 pm** Prayer Meeting

**7:00 PM** Kids & Student Ministry  
Adult Bible Study

## **Telephone Conference System**

336-374-1445, code 27053