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Morning Service Live & ONLINE
Morning Service en Español
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Prayer Meeting
Kid's Club
Bible Study
Bible Study en Español

Sundays @ 11:00 AM
Sundays @ 11:00 AM in Chapel
Sundays @ 5:30 PM
Sundays @ 6:00 PM
Wednesdays @ 6:00 PM
Wednesdays @ 6:00 PM in Bethany Lounge
Wednesdays @ 6:00 PM in Chapel

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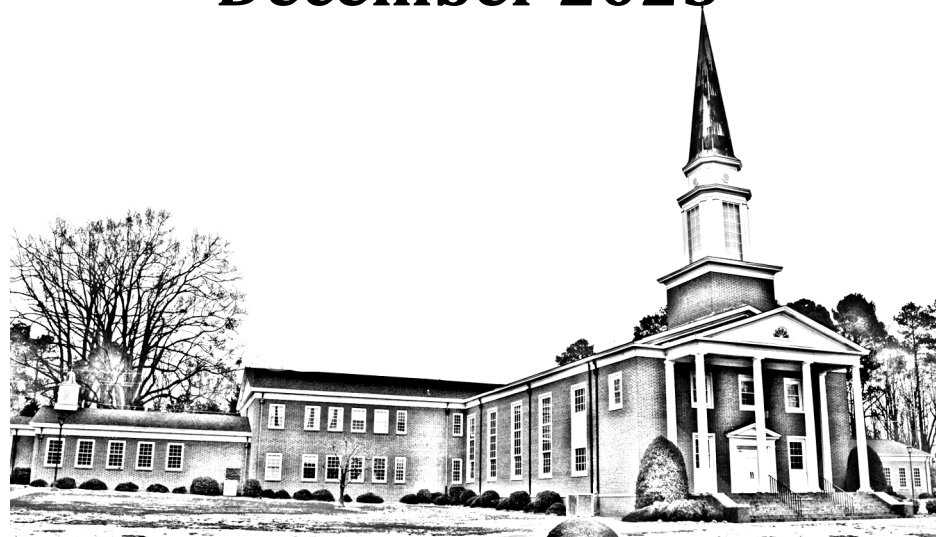
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Pastor Nick's Letter December 2025

Dear Church Family,

As the holiday season ramps up, it's certainly a busy time but without a doubt, it's my favorite time of the year! In the midst of the activity, it's been a joy to reflect on all that God has done in and through our church family this past month.

Throughout November, we continued our Sunday morning worship series on "Boldness," learning how to live courageously for Christ in today's world. On November 16th, we were blessed to welcome guest missionaries Jordan and Katie Lucas, who shared their calling and vision to take the Gospel to South Africa. Their testimony was powerful, and how fitting that it coincided with our Operation Christmas Child shoebox send-off. Thank you to everyone who packed a box in Jesus' name!

On November 23rd, we gathered for a special joint bilingual Thanksgiving service, followed by a wonderful time of fellowship and food in the fellowship hall. Just a week later, on November 30th, we held our annual Hanging of the Greens service, preparing our sanctuary for the Christmas season. It was a beautiful evening capped off with our gingerbread house-making contest, which brought lots of laughter and joy.

We were honored to have Sheriff Pete Herron and members of the Montgomery County Sheriff's Department speak to our youth group this past month, giving a timely and sobering presentation on the dangers of internet crimes against children. It's so important that we remain vigilant and informed as we guide the next generation. Our youth have also been hard at work preparing for this month's Christmas play, and I can't wait to see all that they've put together!

On November 19th, our senior adults gathered for their Thanksgiving luncheon, a time filled with laughter, good food, and warm fellowship. I was honored to share a few songs at the event as we celebrated God's goodness together.

We also had the opportunity to host a food box giveaway on Saturday, November 15th, blessing those in need in our community. Thank you to everyone who served and helped make it happen. It's always a joy to serve in Jesus' name, just as Matthew 25:40-45 reminds us.

A huge thank-you as well to everyone who donated rice and pies for the Coalition for Christ Thanksgiving ministry. I'm especially grateful for those who helped deliver meals to families in need across the county. These quiet acts of service speak loudly of God's love and grace.

As we now turn the corner into December, I'm filled with joyful anticipation. Christmas is a season of celebration, but also a season of reflection, renewal, and outreach. I look forward to all that God has in store for us in the weeks ahead.

In Christ,
Pastor Nick



December 2025 Dr. Ernesto Robledo

Salúdos

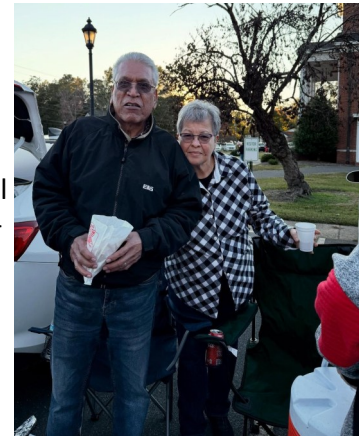
El Señor sigue siendo bueno con nosotros. Mientras escribo este artículo, mi esposa y yo acabamos de regresar de la Convención Estatal Bautista de Carolina del Norte. Fuimos bendecidos por los oradores, la música y el compañerismo con otros colegas. Otra bendición para mi esposa y para mí fue el alcance comunitario de Noviembre. Oramos por algunas familias que necesitaban apoyo espiritual y también repartimos algunas biblias. Estamos entusiasmados con el servicio bilingüe de Acción de Gracias el domingo 23 de noviembre y también con la comida. Me alegra compartir que hemos sido parte del ministerio de OCC. Por favor, continúen orando por nosotros mientras ministramos a aquellos que necesitan oír el evangelio en la comunidad.

Dr. Ernesto Robledo

Greetings,

The Lord continues to be good to us. As I write this article, my wife and I got back from the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina. We were blessed by the speakers, the music and the fellowship with other colleagues. Another blessing for my wife and I was the Community Outreach for November. We prayed for some families who needed spiritual support, and we gave out bibles as well. We are excited about the bilingual Thanksgiving service for Sunday November 23rd and the joint meal. I'm also happy to share that we've been part of OCC. Please continue to pray for us as we minister to those who need to hear the gospel in the community.

Dr. Ernesto Robledo



**Seniors Together
Christmas Lunch**

**Wednesday, December 17, 2025
12:00 Noon in the Fellowship Hall
Please sign up if you plan to attend.**

In Honor of:

My Church Family (Tithes & Offerings) by Carolyn Russell & Family

In Memory of:

Astros "Rose" Cato (Operation Christmas Child) by Robert & Cindy Liles

Bob Dunn (Tithes & Offerings) by Marlene Dunn

Gerald Deese (Youth Caswell Trip) by Peggy Hampton

Minerva Frias (Youth Class Fund) by Dr. Ernesto & Irma Robledo

Shirley Hall (Operation Christmas Child) by Robert & Cindy Liles

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Norma M. Koch (Operation Christmas Child) by Harry & Debbie McRae

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Jerry Willmore (Youth Caswell Trip) by Peggy Hampton

December 2025 Schedules

Elevate

**7-Carri Hampton
Emsley Sharpe**

**14-Raylon Hogan
Taylor Whitesell**

**21-Bradley Wright
Hailey Wright**

**28-Jocelyn Allen
Alyssa Hampton**

Hospitality

**Kathy Kennedy
Vestibule**

**Gary Kennedy
Fellowship Hall**

Youth Meal Rotation

**7-Bradley Wright
Hailey Wright**

28-Lee Wright

Nursery Sunday School

7-Brittany Bustle, Amber Hogan, Wanda Sharpe

14-Lynne Griffith, Jo Haywood, Evalane Poole

21-Amber Hogan, Laya Smith, Haley Williamson

28-Lynne Griffith, Naomi Gomez, Evalane Poole

Worship Nursery

7-Jocelyn Allen, Denia Huntley, Haley Williamson

14-Alyssa Hampton, Paula Shaw, Alyria Tyson

21-Anna Sharpe, Wanda Sharpe, Linda Whitesell

28-Brittany Bustle, Hailey Wright, Lee Wright

"Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His love endures forever." – Psalm 107:1

"For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given..." – Isaiah 9:6

As we enter this beautiful season of celebration, I am reminded of the incredible gift God has given us through His Son. Christmas invites us to pause, reflect, and open our hearts once again to the joy, hope, and peace that come only from Christ. It is also a season that calls us to embody His love through generosity and service.

One of the most meaningful ways we express that love each year is through Operation Christmas Child. Thank you to everyone who donated, packed shoeboxes, and prayed over the children who will receive them. Each box represents not just physical gifts, but the message of God's love delivered to places many of us will never see firsthand. Your generosity truly makes a difference.

As we move through December, we look forward to experiencing all the seasonal services and special events our church family will share together. These moments of worship, music, and fellowship lift our hearts and help us prepare to celebrate the birth of our Savior.

Please note that WMU will not meet during the month of December as we all take time to focus on family, worship, and the blessings of the season. However, I want to encourage every woman in our church to prayerfully consider making it a New Year's resolution to become involved in WMU. Your presence, gifts, and heart for missions are needed, valued, and deeply appreciated. Together, we can continue to support missions locally and globally in powerful ways.

May this season fill your home and heart with the peace of Christ, and may the coming year bring renewed purpose and passion for serving Him.

Merry Christmas and blessings to each of you,
Dr. Amy Blake Reynolds



Operation Christmas Child was a great success, thanks to all the hard work and generosity of so many individuals. Troy First Baptist Church had the honor of packing and praying over **279 boxes** to be shipped to nations throughout the world to show children, and adults, the love of Jesus Christ for them.

December 2025

Sunday School—10:00 AM

Morning Worship—Live & On Line 11:00 AM - En Espanol 11:00 AM in Chapel

Evening —Youth 5:30 PM

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|---|---|--|--|---|---|---|
|  <p>Choir Practice Every Sunday immediately after worship</p> | 1 | 2 | 3 6:00 PM Kids Club 6:00 PM Bible Study English & Español | 4 | 5  <p>OCC Processing Center in Charlotte. Leaving church 8:00AM</p> | 6 |
| 10:00 AM Classes 7 11:00 AM Message 11:00 AM ONLINE Live 5:30 PM Youth Prayer Meeting 6:00 PM | 8 | 9 Trustee Meeting 6:00 PM ---s Deacon Meeting 7:00 PM | 10 6:00 PM Kids Club 6:00 PM Bible Study English & Español | 11 6:30 PM Bro Night at Sir Pizza | 12 | 13 |
| 10:00 AM Classes 14 11:00 AM Message 11:00 AM ONLINE Live 5:30 PM Christmas Play Christmas Dinner afterward | 15 | 16 | 17 Seniors Together Christmas Meal @ Noon Churchwide Caroling 6:00 PM | 18 | 19 | 20 Coffee With Jesus Uwharrie Mercantile 2:00 PM |
| 9:45 AM Business Mtg 21 10:00 AM Classes 11:00 AM Message 11:00 AM ONLINE Live Candlelight Service Lord's Supper at 6:00 PM | 22 | 23 |  <p>Office Closed</p> |  <p>Office Closed</p> |  <p>Office Closed</p> | 27 |
| 10:00 AM Classes 28 11:00 AM Message 11:00 AM ONLINE Live 5:30 PM Youth Prayer Meeting 6:00 PM | 29 | 30 | 31 No Kids Club No Bible Study | | <u>Audio Team</u> Matt DeHart Chase Hogan Tyler Wright | <u>Counting Team</u> Lucille Sabiston Meliss Taylor |
| | Deacon of the Week Trustee of the Week | 12-07-Scotty Reynolds 910-975-2015 12/07-Benny Hogan 910-975-4652 | 12/14-Jeff Saunders 910-975-0160 12/14-Harry McRae 910-571-1793 | 12/21-Jim Sharpe 910-975-1470 12/21-Earle Poole 910-220-1753 | 12/28-Fred L. Taylor 910-220-2598 12/28-Jim Sharpe 910-975-1470 | |