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From Our Pastor

Church Family,

Thanksgiving is here, and it's time to take a moment to think about the blessings in our lives. The Psalmist said, "Bless the Lord, oh my soul: and all that is within me, bless His holy name...and forget not all His benefits." (Psalm 103) God has been and continues to be good to us all. Not everything that happens to us is good, but God is good – all the time!

For Christians, every moment of every day and in every circumstance, we are the recipients of God's presence, God's promises, and God's provision. He is faithful to us.

I hope you and your family will join us for Sunday School and worship throughout the month of November. Worship is a wonderful way to express our gratitude to God and I hope you will worship with us in person this Thanksgiving Season.

Among the many blessings God has given me, I am thankful for you! I am grateful for our fellowship, our friendship, and our partnership in the Gospel. Sharon and I love you, pray for you, and are grateful to be a part of this church family. Thank you for the Pastor Appreciation Day and the very generous love offering you gave!! It was a wonderful surprise.

Most of all, I am thankful for Jesus and our salvation in Him! I say with the Apostle Paul, "Thanks be unto God for His indescribable gift.!" (2 Corinthians 9:15)

Sharon and I wish you all a joyful and blessed Thanksgiving!

Pastor Tim

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

All children are invited to join us directly following church services on Sunday November 9th in the Fellowship Hall for a fun time of food and creativity! We'll enjoy lunch together and then decorate Christmas cards to include in our Operation Christmas Child boxes. Come share some laughter, color, and Christmas cheer as we make something special to bless children around the world!

MUSIC MINISTRY

Christmas is fast approaching and that means the Christmas cantata is happening soon! Please plan to join us December 14th at 6:00 as the sanctuary choir and the children's choir come together to put on *The Story of Christmas*. We are so excited to share this special cantata with our church family and follow it with fellowship!

We are also always looking for more voices to fill our choir! If you are interested, please reach out and join us. If you've seen the tall curly haired guy (Stephen) up there, then anyone can join!

Sarah Elizabeth

LED SIGN DEDICATION

In appreciation for your support, everyone is invited to the LED Sign Dedication on Sunday, November 30 at 10 a.m. during our regular preaching service. Also, we're sending invitations to people outside our church who supported us by purchasing bricks, baking and buying cakes, and making donations. Immediately following the service, we will enjoy a time of Christian fellowship and a spaghetti luncheon.

YOUNG AT HEART

November is here and our minds start thinking about the next special holiday, Thanksgiving. The characteristic of being thankful is one of the most important skills a human being can develop. Wouldn't it be awesome if we began each and every day acknowledging the small, as well as the big, wonders all around us; those blessings like hot coffee, the beautiful fall leaves, the smell of fresh sheets, or the sound of toast popping out of the toaster. It is God's will that we "give thanks in everything". (1 Thess. 5:18.) Our almighty faithful God has blessed us daily with "wonderful things without number" (Job 5:9). Let all our days be filled with gratitude and thanksgiving.

Our next Young at Heart meeting will be on Tuesday, November 4, at 11:00. We will enjoy a delicious catered Thanksgiving meal with all the trimmings. Please come join us and bring a friend.

As David proclaimed in Psalms 136:1, "Oh give thanks to the Lord, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever."

In His love,
Your YAH Committee



FELLOWSHIP

We've got a busy fall planned and we hope you will make plans to join us! As a church family, we will be filling shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child (OCC), working at the OCC warehouse, and providing funds to ship 204 shoeboxes. I wish we could all see the smiles and laughter of the recipients of the gifts we send. We shop diligently to provide items for daily needs as well as some really fun items for the children to enjoy.

PLEASE donate to the shipping fund. You can select an envelope from the bulletin board outside the sanctuary and give the amount listed on the envelope OR you can donate any amount by putting cash or check in a plain envelope clearly marked Operation Christmas Child. Place it in the offering plate, one of the drop boxes, or give to Amy Glover or Crystal Christopher.

Opportunities to serve:

Operation Christmas Child Packing Party is on Sunday, November 16th at IBC. Let's all join in on the fun at the packing party from 6pm-7pm. There will be Christmas music, yummy snacks and hot chocolate! We will also have a special prayer over each of the boxes we pack. Don't miss it!

Tuesday, November 25th- Serve at the OCC Warehouse in Charlotte from 6pm-10pm. We will leave Lancaster at 4:30 and eat at the warehouse before our shift begins. Bring money for dinner and snacks. We only have 30 slots and these fill up quickly! To sign up, text or call Crystal Christopher 803-288-2964.

Serving up Fun
IBC Fellowship Team



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| 1 | Sharon Anderson |
| 3 | Parker Cox |
| 4 | Jeffrey Steele |
| 5 | Abigail Hanna |
| | Patti Steen |
| 11 | Amelia Miza |
| 12 | Jennifer Hammond |
| 13 | Miranda Langley |
| 15 | Gail Hyatt |
| 19 | Brian Trimnal |
| 20 | Phil Glover |
| 24 | Tad Dabney |
| | Derrick Smith |
| 25 | Trenton Caldwell |
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