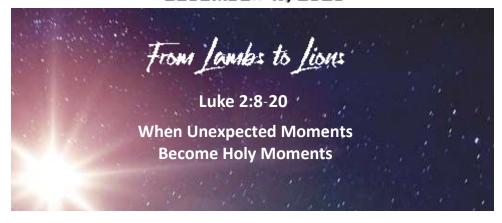
# DECEMBER 17, 2023



IOTES:		

I never thought this would happen ... I have no idea what to do next. Have you ever had a moment like that? You're face to face with a choice that " feels bigger than you, and how you respond might change your life. How do you know what to do? This Christmas season and beyond, let's • learn how to turn life's unexpected moments into Holy Moments.

> 2023 Advent Series Holy Moments

Sunday Mornings at 10:15 AM thru Dec. 24<sup>th</sup>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PLEASE drop your connection cards in the offering stands outside of the Sanctuary

#### CHRISTMAS CANTATA | TONIGHT

The McConnell Church Choir will perform The Promise of Christmas tonight at 6:00 pm in Worship Center. Promise is a wonderful word! It is a word full of hope, expectation, assurance, and anticipation. The promise of God Himself was fulfilled in the birth of Jesus—our Messiah, our Savior, our Lord. Come experience the promise with us and bring a friend! For those who can't be with us in person, or are homebound, this service will be live-streamed. Nursery provided for birth to 2 years old only.

#### **LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING**

We will continue to collect Lottie Moon donations thru the month of December. Pick up your prayer guide at the Worship Center and offering envelopes in the pew pockets. Our goal for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for this year is \$40,000.

#### **RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE | 12/19**

There will be a blood drive on Tuesday, December 19th from 1:00 pm - 6:00 pm, in the Family Life Center. Fewer donors than needed gave this summer, drawing down the national blood supply and reducing distributions of some of the most needed blood types to hospitals. Hurricane Idalia further strained the blood supply with blood drive cancellations and reduced blood and platelet donations in affected areas. Please visit www.redcross.org to make an appointment to donate.

#### FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Your year-end financial contributions may be given any time in December. Mailed or online financial contributions must be postmarked or given online through our website on or before Sunday, 12/31/2023, to be included with your 2023 contributions. You may give online at: https://mcconnellchurch.org/give/.

#### **NEW—MCCONNELL JOB OPPORTUNITY!**



We are seeking a highly motivated and experienced part-time Worship Assistant to help support and facilitate our new second service beginning in 2024. Must be musical, technical, and comfortable in front of a crowd. To apply, scan the QR code here or go to <a href="https://www.mcconnellchurch.org/job-opportunities">https://www.mcconnellchurch.org/job-opportunities</a>. Call the church office with any questions at: 706-896-2281.

## CHRISTMAS EVE SUNDAY and CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

- There will be no Sunday Schools on 12/24.
- Our Sunday Morning Worship Service is at 10:15 am.
- Our Christmas Eve Candlelight Service is at 6:00 pm. We will observe the Lord's Supper and a benevolence offering will be taken at the end of the service. Nursery provided for birth to 2 years old only.

Merry Christmas from your Church Staff. We love each and every one of you!



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For more info, www.mcconnellchurch.org

I prayed to receive Christ today.

# Weekly Activities 12/17 - 12/23

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SUNDAY	8:15 a.m. 8:30 - 9:00 a.m. 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. 10:15 - 11:30 am 10:15 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	Band Rehearsal, Worship Center Library Open - before and after services Sunday School for all ages PEAK Kids Worship Morning Worship/Advent Wk 3 Christmas Cantata, Worship Center
MONDAY	10:00 a.m.	Prayer for the Country, #Prayer Room
TUESDAY	7:00 a.m. 10:00 - 11:00 am 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. 1:00 - 6:00 p.m. 5:30 - 7:30pm	Men's Prayer Bfst, Mary's Southern Grill Prayer Group, #026-LL Hope Room Clothes Closet, Hope Rm Red Cross Blood Drive, FLC Christmas Art Class (3rd-5th), The Lodge
WEDNESDAY	10:00 am - Noon	Library Open
		No Wednesday Evening Services/Activities
THURSDAY	1:00 - 3:00 p.m. 7:00 - 9:15 p.m.	Hope Room Clothes Closet, Hope Rm ESL (English as 2nd Language), FLC

### **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY**

The ESL Ministry Team, coordinated by Mary Dolvin and Paola Estrada, is in need of more teachers and childcare workers. They meet each Thursday night at 7pm in the Family Life Center. Volunteers in this ministry do not need to speak a foreign language or be professional teachers. If you speak English and love Jesus, we can teach you the rest!

Contact Paola at 706-970-7823 for more info.

# Pastoral Staff

Lead Pastor - Rev. Steven Taylor Associate Pastor - Rev. Danny Byers Associate Pastor/Children & Discipleship - Rev. Steve Awtrey Associate Pastor of Students/Young Adults - Rev. Jeremy Pearson Minister of Music and Worship - Rev. Chris Adams P.O. Box 235 ~ 84 Church Street ~ Hiawassee, GA 30546 Office 706.896.2281~ Email: info@mcconnellchurch.org Confidential Prayer Line: 706-896-0806 http://www.mcconnellchurch.org

Budget Required		Budget Received	
Weekly	YTD	12/10	YTD
\$30,629.90	\$1,562,124.90	\$53,324.20	\$1,683,766.47

