

DECEMBER 3, 2023



NOTES:

Seven horizontal lines for taking notes.

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
Dec. 3rd—24th**

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

AWANA CLUBS - CHRISTMAS STORE

Your AWANA program will be having our annual Christmas store Monday, December 11th from 3:00-5:15 PM. We are in need of 30 to 40 volunteers to help the clubbers wrap Christmas presents that they purchase for their family members using Awana Bucks that they have earned each week. If you can help, please let Tom Wade know, at 478-285-0031. Please bring a pair of scissors and a great big smile!!!!

LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING

Southern Baptists observe a Week of Prayer for International Missions (December 3rd—10th) each year for the annual Lottie Moon Christmas Offering emphasis. Will you join your heart to pray for missionaries around the world who are faithfully sharing the gospel and to make a donation to this ministry during the month of December? **Our goal for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering this year is \$40,000.**

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP | 12/5

The Towns County Alzheimer's & Dementia Monthly Support Group, facilitated by Shannon Larsen, will meet on Tuesday, December 5th at 1:30 pm in room #219-FLC. For more info call Shannon at: 706-885-4643.

WMU | 12/7

The Nannie Rose Tatham/WMU monthly meeting will be held on **Thursday, December 7th** at 10:00 am in the Choir Suite Room LL-042. **All are welcome!!!** This is a wonderful opportunity to learn about our specific mission efforts in different areas of the world, and meet new friends.

FIRST STEPS/NEW MEMBERS CLASS | 12/10

If you are new to the church or want information on joining the church, please join Pastor Steve & Pastor Danny as they share information about McConnell's vision. The class will be held on Sunday, December 10th, at 11:45 a.m., in The Lodge immediately following the morning worship service. A light lunch will be served. **This class is a prerequisite for joining the church.** [Register online](#) or call the church office to register at 706-896-2281.

CHRISTMAS CANTATA | 12/17

The McConnell Church Choir will perform *The Promise of Christmas* on Sunday, December 17th, 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.*

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.



My Prayer Request: Confidential May be shared with prayer groups

My prayer has been answered!

I give praise to God for:

Questions or Comments

Connection Card

Name: _____
 First Time Guest Second Time Guest Frequent Attendee Member
 Preferred Phone #: _____
 E-Mail: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Guest Of: _____
 Age: ___ Under 20 ___ 20's ___ 30's ___ 40's ___ 50's ___ 60's ___ 70's ___ 80's & up
 Check here if change in Address/Phone/E-Mail

I prayed to receive Christ today.
 I would like to talk with the Pastor
I would like more information on:
 Becoming a follower of Jesus
 Church membership
 Serving at McConnell
 First Steps / Newcomers Class
 Life Groups / Sunday School
 Children's Ministry / PEAK Kids
 Nursery
 Other
 For more info, www.mcconnellchurch.org

Weekly Activities 12/3 - 12/9

Day	Time	Activity
SUNDAY	All Week	Lottie Moon Week of Prayer Begins
	8:00 a.m.	Senior Over 60 Breakfast, FLC
	8:30 - 9:00 a.m.	Library Open - before and after services
	9:00 - 10:00 a.m.	Sunday School for all ages
	10:15 - 11:30 am	PEAK Kids Worship
MONDAY	10:15 a.m.	Morning Worship/Advent Wk 1/Lord's Supper
	11:30 a.m.	Called Church Conference to Vote on 2024 Budget
	10:00 a.m.	Prayer for the Country, #Prayer Room
	3:15 - 5:15 p.m.	Awana Clubs, FLC
	6:00 p.m.	Thrive Moms, Christmas at Brasstown
TUESDAY	7:00 a.m.	Men's Prayer Breakfast, Mary's Southern Grill
	10:00 a.m.	MMBC Group to OCC Processing Ctr., Atl
	10:00 a.m.	Prayer Group, #026-LL
	1:00 - 3:00 p.m.	Hope Room Clothes Closet, Hope Rm
	1:30 p.m.	Alzheimer's & Dementia Support Group, #219-FLC
WEDNESDAY	10:00 am - Noon	Library Open (also open from 5:30—6:00p.m.)
	5:15 - 5:45 p.m.	EDGE & Summit Family Meal, FLC
	3:00 - 7:30 p.m.	Summit Students - The Lodge
	6:00 - 7:30 p.m.	Wednesday in the Word w/Pastor Steve, Choir Suite
	6:00 - 7:30 p.m.	PEAK Kid's EDGE - Children's Dept.
	6:00 - 6:45 p.m.	Parents Small Group w/Pastor Danny, #233-FLC
	6:45 - 7:30 p.m.	Prayer Groups, Classrooms near Choir Suite
6:00 - 8:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal, Worship Center	
THURSDAY	10:00 a.m.	Nannie Rose Tatham/WMU, #LL-042 Choir Suite
	1:00 - 3:00 p.m.	Hope Room Clothes Closet, Hope Rm
	6:30 - 8:00 p.m.	"Escape the Coming Night" Bible Study, #LL-042 Choir Suite
	7:00 - 9:15 p.m.	ESL (English as 2nd Language), FLC

HOPE ROOM CLOTHES CLOSET NEWS

The Hope Room is accepting donations of GENTLY used clean winter coats and cold weather attire for all ages: infant to adult. We are open to the public on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm so our community can stock up on warm winter clothing for their families. We are so thankful for your generosity!

Pastoral Staff

Lead Pastor - Rev. Steven Taylor
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Budget Required		Budget Received	
Weekly	YTD	11/26	YTD
\$30,629.90	\$1,470,235.20	\$26,745.30	\$1,547,881.39

