



By the Cross We Care  
One Person at a Time

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# Barcelona Banner

## Go Sing It on the Mountain



Pepper Choplin

FEATURING THE CHOIR, SOLOISTS  
AND INSTRUMENTAL ENSEMBLE

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13 6:30 PM  
FREE ADMISSION CHILD CARE PROVIDED



### DECEMBER MEMORY VERSE

"And the Word was  
made flesh and dwelt  
among us, (and we be-  
held his glory, the glory  
as of the only begotten  
of the Father,) full of  
grace and truth."

~John 1:14, KJV

## From my heart to yours:

Over the years I have developed a Christmas tradition. It is the recitation of a Christmas poem that has been special to me. Here is a brief history of the poem, and then I repeat it hopefully for your edification, enjoyment and inspiration.



My maternal grandfather was Benjamin James Whittington. He was the son of a minister and grew up near Columbus, Indiana. As a young man he moved to Arkansas where he found work, fell in love, and married my grandmother. They reared eight children during hard economic times. To make ends meet, the family traveled wherever they could make a living. My mother and her twin sister, for example, were born in Southern California near the Mexican border while my grandfather worked in the fruit harvest. Later the family lived near Smackover, Arkansas where he toiled as a laborer in the oil field. Finally, they ended up in Northwest Arkansas where my mother and father met.

Benjamin Whittington was an uneducated man with a poet's heart. He penned a booklet titled Arkansas Poems. One of the poems in his collection I committed to memory years ago and have quoted it each Christmas in the pulpit for more than fifty years. Most of you have heard it; and some have asked for a copy. It is a retelling of the story of the Wise Men in Matthew 2:1-12.

### The Birth of Christ

While all nature, wrapt in slumber,  
In that Orient land afar  
Journeyed wise men to Judea;  
They were guided by a star.

Into Herod's court they wandered  
To ascertain if it be known  
Where the newborn Jewish ruler  
Was to reign upon the throne.

To their story Herod listened,  
Then he bade them make it clear  
To his mind, if they remembered  
When the star did first appear.

"Go, and search 'til you have found Him,  
When returning, passing through,  
Bring me word where he's residing  
That I may him go worship, too."

But in a dream the men had warning  
How King Herod would employ  
All the means that he commanded  
The young child's life to destroy.

So when the men homeward journeyed,  
Weary from travel night and day,  
Being warned of Herod's purpose,  
They passed by another way.

Now Herod, in a fit of anger  
That no previous monarch knew,  
Put to death all male children  
From the cradle up to two.

But this child now safe in Egypt  
In accord with God's command  
This, the way God chose to save Him  
From the blood-stained Herod's hand.

Herod's reign soon terminated,  
Death doth end the rule of man,  
Beyond death, man cannot govern  
Whate'er hath been his previous plan.

This child shall reign forever,  
And his praise the nations sing,  
For despite man's opposition  
He is Lord of Lords and King of Kings!

Indeed, "He is Lord of Lords and King of Kings!"  
May the Lord grant you a joyous and Christ-filled Christmas, from our family to all of you.

~Your pastor,

Jon Stubblefield

### Attendance & Finances

	Bible Study	Sun AM	Sun PM	Wed.
10/06/19	180	205	80	96
10/13/19	158	169	76	96
10/20/19	154	184	74	94
10/27/19	152	173	110	65

OCTOBER BUDGET RECEIPTS: \$42,478.77





3—Linda Carpenter  
 4—Wendell Moffitt  
 5—Hilde Simmons  
 6—Holly Anderson  
 8—Mikayla Merriott  
 9—Mickey Davis  
 9—Elijah Dean  
 10—Seth Edwards  
 12—Lotte Willett  
 14—Karter Deen  
 15—Jacob Gilmer  
 16—Shella Clancy  
 16—Dianne Latiolais  
 18—Elaine Patterson  
 21—Carl Russell  
 21—Gretchen Hewitt  
 22—Cathy Cudworth  
 22—Laiken Boyd  
 24—Audrey Waggoner  
 27—Jon Stubblefield  
 30—Anne Iley  
 30—Bob Smith  
 30—Barbara Powell  
 30—Ralph Wagner



1—Bill and Carol Fincher  
 8—Al and Jean Boland  
 8—Jimmy and Maggi Payne  
 14—Bill and Becky Bettis  
 14—Bob and Betty DeLong  
 27—Dick and JoAnne Fulton  
 28—Mike and Judy Dacus



**A TOTAL OF 247 BOXES WERE  
DELIVERED TO WALNUT VALLEY  
BAPTIST CHURCH ON NOV. 18TH.**






# INTERNATIONAL DAY

## SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3





# December 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1</b> 9:30 Bible Study 10:30 Worship Services 5:15 Youth 6:00 Evening Worship	<b>2</b> 2:00 Staff Meeting	<b>3</b> 6:00 Deacon Council	<b>4</b> 4:45 All Stars/Youth 5:00 Finance Com. 6:00 Prayer Service 6:55 Full Rehearsal	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> 10:00 Ladies Day Out 1:00 Prayer Shawl	<b>7</b> 9:30 Choir Rehearsal
<b>8</b> 9:30 Bible Study 10:30 Worship Services 5:00 <b>Church Council</b> 5:15 Youth 6:00 Evening Worship	<b>9</b> 2:00 Staff Meeting	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> 4:45 All Stars/Youth 4:45 Potluck/ Children's Christmas Program 6:00 Business Meeting	<b>12</b> 6:30 Dress Rehearsal	<b>13</b> 1:00 Prayer Shawl 6:30 Choir Christmas Program	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b> 9:30 Bible Study 10:30 Worship Services 5:15 Youth 6:00 Evening Worship	<b>16</b> 2:00 Staff Meeting	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> 6:00 Prayer Service	<b>19</b> 1:00 Covenant Class 5:30 Faith Class	<b>20</b> 1:00 Prayer Shawl	<b>21</b> 5:00 Youth Christmas Party
<b>22</b> 9:30 Bible Study 10:30 Worship Services 5:00 Chili Supper and Service	<b>23</b> 2:00 Staff Meeting	<b>24</b> 5:00 LORD'S SUPPER/ CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE	<b>25</b>  CHRISTMAS DAY	<b>26</b> OFFICES CLOSED	<b>27</b> OFFICES CLOSED	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b> 9:30 Bible Study 10:30 Worship Services 5:15 Youth 5:00 Evening Worship 6:00 5th Sun. F'ship	<b>30</b> OFFICES CLOSED	<b>31</b> SPEND NEW YEAR'S EVE WITH YOU FAMILIY OFFICES CLOSED				

# HEART BEAT



The holidays are upon us and winter is just around the corner! Just some reminders to better care for yourself this winter season:

\* Get your flu shot! The flu shot does not give you the flu! This is a myth. The flu shot is an inactive (dead) virus. The only way one can get the flu after you've received the shot is if you had already been exposed to the flu.

\* Cover your cough! If you feel a sneeze or cough coming on, let it go in your elbow!

\* Wash your hands! Germs are spread rapidly via your hands. Washing hands reduces risk of respiratory infections by 16% and reduce diarrheal disease associated deaths by 50%! A large percentage of foodborne illness are spread by contaminated hands! Protect yourself and your church family!

\* Ward off depression and extra pounds this season by staying active. Get moving! Snowed in? Walk laps up and down your hallway, or around your furniture. Do squats at your kitchen table. Stand behind a chair to give yourself support, bend as if sitting, then stand. If you're unable to pull yourself back up, then actually sit in a chair, then stand (using the kitchen table or a counter for support). Start with 5-10 squats 2 times a day and add increments of 5 each week (up to 20 squats) twice daily. Also, taking a walk right after eating aids in digestion. This does not have to be a long walk, just 10-15 minutes will do the trick! An additional benefit of exercise is a release of endorphins - the happy hormones!

\* Eat a well balanced diet! Breakfast is the most important meal.

Most of us over-indulge during the holidays. Don't beat yourself up! Enjoy food and family, but make time to care for yourself.

Happy Holidays!

~Betty Jo LaFargue



**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6**  
**10:00 AM – 2:00 PM**

**JOIN US IN THE YOUTH ROOM FOR  
FELLOWSHIP, FOOD, AND FUN.**



**DECEMBER 25—JANUARY 1**

**In case of emergency during  
this time, call Pastor Jon Stub-  
blefield at 922-8746 or Church  
Administrator Betty Belin at  
870-222-7198.**

**Merry Christmas!**





DECEMBER 24, 5:00 PM

You and your family and friends are invited to attend a meaningful and spirit-filled service on the eve of the celebration of our Lord's birth.

We will have a worship service which will include readings, hymns, lighting the Christ Candle and the sharing of the Lord's Supper.

Come, prepare your heart for the most joyous occasion of the year!

## DONATIONS FOR CENTRAL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION FOOD DRIVE



This is only part of the food which was donated by our members and delivered by Youth Minister David Robinson to the office in Benton. The food is distributed to Dixsonville, Hispanic communities and "The Vine and Branches" Ministry.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
GENEROSITY!**

# 2019

## JANUARY



## AUGUST





## OBSERVANCE OF VETERANS DAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2019



### WELCOME NEW MEMBER

Clip and place in your church directory.

Preston Benning celebrated his 13<sup>th</sup> birthday this month. He is an avid reader. His particular subjects of interest are American and International studies and astrology. His plans are to travel the world and work for NASA.

Preston enjoys after school activities, particularly dance classes. He is an active member of FCCLA (Family, Career and Community Leaders of America). He is an Honor Roll student, math tutor at school and is learning tuba in the school band.

He collects Pokémon cards and enjoys movies and Super Mario games. He likes going to the park, being big brother to his siblings, and the worship and activities with the church youth group. It was during a youth event Preston accepted Christ as his personal Savior!



Preston Benning  
15 S. Badalona Drive

Youth Minister David Robinson baptizes Preston on November 17, 2019.





# UKRAINIAN TRIP SEPTEMBER, 2019 TOM AND SHARON HENSLEY



Completed church in Bohdanivka



Tom and Sharon Hensley hard at work.



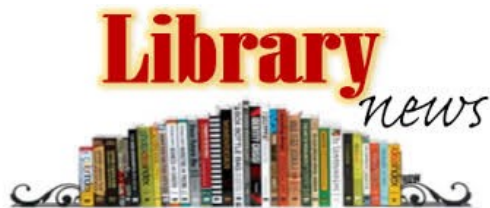
Barnetts and Hensleys helping out.



Homes in the Chernobyl Relocation Village of Zdvizhivka







'Tis the season for holiday reading, and our library has a great selection for you, including:

Debbie Macomber - *Starry Night, Mrs. Miracle, Mr. Miracle, The Perfect Christmas*  
 Jan Karon - *The Mitford Snowmen, Esther's Gift*  
 Mike Huckabee - *A Simple Christmas*  
 Richard Paul Evans - *Grace, Promise Me, The Carousel, The Christmas List, Find Noel, The Christmas Box Miracle*  
 Wanda Brunstetter - *A Log Cabin Christmas*  
 Glenn Beck - *The Christmas Sweater*

In addition, we have the following Christmas DVDs:

*The Miracle of Jonathan Toomey* (NEW!)  
*The Man Who Invented Christmas* (NEW!)  
*Christmas Child*  
*Christmas Mail*  
*A Christmas Story*  
*Moonlight and Mistletoe*  
*The Star of Bethlehem*

We now have the complete *Angels Walking* trilogy by Karen Kingsbury:

*Angels Walking* - When angels walk, most people never know, never see. But they are there. And sometimes the stakes are so high, all of heaven stands ready.  
*Chasing Sunsets* - The second novel about divine intervention and the trials and triumphs of life.  
*Brush of Wings* - Will the mission of the angels succeed?

Also new in the library this month: *Christopher Robin*-DVD (A working-class family man encounters his childhood friend Winnie-the-Pooh, who helps him to rediscover the joys of life.). Personal note: this is a terrific, family-friendly movie!

A big Thank You to everyone who completed the library survey! Your comments are very helpful and gave me some good ideas. If you have comments or suggestions, it's not too late... I welcome them at any time.

I hope that everyone has a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

~Kay Dierks, Librarian

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The Barcelona Banner is published monthly to keep members informed about programs of the church and to report news about its members.

**Deadline for articles is the  
fifteenth of each month.**

You may e-mail your articles to  
brbc3office@att.net or bring to the  
church office.

If you are moving, have an email or phone number change, please contact the church office so your records can be changed. The church has to pay for each returned Banner.

## Schedule of Services:

### Sunday Services:

Sunday School - 9:30 AM  
Sanctuary Worship Service - 10:30 AM  
Celebration Worship Service - 10:30 AM  
Youth - 5:15 PM

Evening Worship - 6:00 PM

### Wednesday Evening:

All Stars/Youth - 4:45 PM  
(During school year)  
Prayer Service - 6:00 PM  
Choir Rehearsal - 6:55 PM

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### CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday through Thursday 8:30 am—4:30 pm  
Friday 8:30 am—3:00 pm