JANUARY 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
New Year's Day Worship Services 10:45 AM 6:00 PM	2	3	4 Business Meeting Youth at 6:30 PM NO Truth Seekers	5	6	7 Fellership Breakfast 8 AM
8 Worship Services 10:45 AM 6:00 PM	9	10	Truth Seekers 6 PM Youth and Adult Bible Study at 6:30 PM	12	13	14
15 Worship Services 10:45 AM 6:00 PM	16	17	18 Truth Seekers @ 6 PM Youth and Adult Bible Study at 6:30 PM	19	20	21
22 Worship Services 10:45 AM 6:00 PM	23	24	25 Truth Seekers @ 6 PM Youth and Adult Bible Study at 6:30 PM	26	27	28
29 Worship Services 10:45 AM 6:00 PM	30	31				



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Church Family,

The word of the Lord and the work of the gospel continue to go forth in Silo and throughout the world as we enter the new year. December seemed like a whirlwind of a month. It came and went so quickly that Christmas was here and over before we knew it. However, the Lord was glorified in all of it. We had the joy of seeing salvations, baptisms, and new church family members! Our Christmas Eve candlelight services brought a couple of new families in to visit and worship with us. It was all truly a great time.

December was also a great time of giving! Our Lottie Moon Christmas Offering was a God glorifying sacrifice from you, the church. By God's grace and through your love, sacrifice, and generous spirits, this year we have far exceeded our goal of \$9000! This year our Lottie Moon Christmas Offering total was over \$17,000. This was so wonderful to see God's provision. The work of the gospel will continue through our International Mission Board missionaries. They will be provided for and their needs will continue to go taken care of because of the work of God the Father in the heart and life of Silo Baptist Church.

<u>Update on Hayden</u>: Hayden is back in the Philippines. He is doing well and recently completed a time of serving the Lord at a church camp for children/youth in the Philippines. Hayden will not be in the Philippines too much longer. He will be going on another mission in just a few days, so please continue to pray for him. I cannot say where he is going, but I can say God is going before him and God will be with him. **Please pray for Hayden as he shares the gospel.**

Kishor Senapati: I have been keeping in close communication with my good friend and brother in Christ, Kishor. He is the church planter in India I was sharing about with you. Each week I have the privilege of preaching online to persecuted believers and new Christians in various places in India. To become a Christian in certain parts of India, there is a sacrifice. The sacrifice is usually in the form of persecution from family members or members of the community. For children, when they become Christians, some of them are kicked out of their homes. For adults, many of them lose their jobs, family members, or places to live. The persecution of these believers is physical in some cases. Radicals come and chase them away with sticks, rocks, and crowds of people. One thing that has been happening that no one has been able to stop for over 2000 years, is the spreading of the gospel. The persecution may send believers away, but wherever they go, they take the gospel with them. Please pray for the believers in India as they continue to struggle in persecution from the radical Hindus and Muslims.

Finally, all of our hearts broke last month as we laid Bill Browder to rest. Our hearts break for Jimmye K as she grieves the passing of Bro. Bill. There is an empty seat now in the church, in deacon's meetings, and the budget and finance committee. Bro. Bill was truly a servant of God. Though we all experience an area of void, we must remember that Bill is in heaven. His place that God prepared for Him and promised through Christ in John 14 has been filled. God has fulfilled His promise to Bill and Bill's faith has become sight. We all deeply miss him, but let me encourage you that we will one day be reunited. There is a reunion coming soon and just like December, this reunion will come like a whirlwind. I pray that we are all ready for that blessed day.

I Love You, YOUR Pastor 1 Thessalonians 5:2

JANUARY OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE & GROWTH

January 1 - Deacon's Meeting at 5:00 pm

January 4 - No Truth Seekers

January 7 - Men's Feller-ship Breakfast at 8:00 am



January kicks off our year round collections for Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes. January is set aside for hats, gloves, mittens, scarves, etc. If you find stuffed animals that would fit in a shoebox at a great sales price (check Christmas Clearance), please pick up a few. It is our desire to ensure every shoebox has a cuddle buddy or doll.

Project Leader, Lisa Carter, would like to have a team to assist with this ministry. As a team member you would be helping with collection sorting and packing party planning. If you are interested, please contact her at 580-380-2719.



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

7thLynda Tolbert
16thLisa Carter
17thTyler Wesley
18thAlana Smith
19thTiffany Buffalo
20thJo Tucker
22ndRobby Syler
23rdAlex Sexton
27th Ember Earley
29thJonna Nabors
30thJeff Weibling

JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

25th......Pat & Barbara Hawkins