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**Hot Dog Sale Every
Friday
10 am-2pm**

Luncheon after 10:45 Service
Sunday, January 14

J.O.Y. Club
Thursday, January 11
11 am

Church Office Closed
Monday, January 15


Biscuit Bake Off
Saturday, January 20
10 am

Winter Night Shelter
January 21-27



Our Diaconate is hosting a surprise Luncheon
for Rev. Darryl Jefferson
as he leaves for a chaplaincy
position in Houston!
Join us Sunday
after the 10:45 service



 **The Worship
of God
Second Sunday
after the Epiphany
January 14**

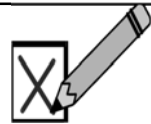
Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18
John 1:43-51

Hearing the Call
Dr. Steve Ayers

Our Weekly Report

Budget Report 1-7-2018

Projected Weekly Need:	\$	9,369.00
Offering towards budget:	\$	5,241.10
Actual income YTD:	\$	5,241.10
Designated :	\$	759.65



**Making Our Mark
1-7-18**

**SS Enrollment: 250
Attendance: 140**

Worship Attendance
8:30: 78
10:45: 122

January 14, 2018

Worship Set-up:	Keith Fitch, Johnnie Eudy
Nursery 8:30 am:	Trena Goodnight, Kim Kane
Nursery 10:45 am:	Erin Currie, Chi Chen
Ushers 8:30:	Jason Ball, Kevin Fitch
Ushers 10:45:	Keith Fitch, Donna Duncan, David Matheny, Jeff Young
Sound 8:30 am:	Rhonda Arrowood
PowerPoint 8:30 am:	Jennifer Taylor
Sound 10:45 am:	Phil Herndon
PowerPoint 10:45 am:	Maria Arrowood
Deacon of the Week:	Bryant Frazier
Opening Building:	Steve McMath
Closing Building:	Mark Caton

Thought for the Week

For whatever life holds for you and your family in
the coming days, weave the unfailing fabric of God's
Word through your heart and mind. It will hold
strong, even if the rest of life unravels.
Gigi Graham Tchividjian

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Saturday, January 20
10 am



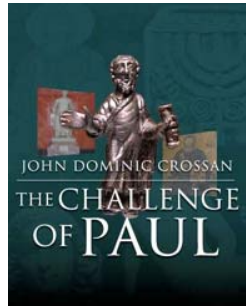
Come hungry for brunch and enjoy a feast of biscuits, country ham, sausage, grits, eggs, tomatoes and jellies.

After you sample the biscuits you will have the opportunity to vote for your favorite that will be prepared by Ken Ayers, Steve Harrill and Vinnie Farrell.

It is always a fun morning!

Good Samaritan Class

The pastor will be teaching John Dominic Crossan's "The Challenge of Paul" beginning this Sunday in Bruce Arrowood's Sunday School Class. Paul is one of Christianity's most impactful, yet most debated and misunderstood figures. In "The Challenge of Paul," John Dominic Crossan gives us the benefit of his lifelong search for the Paul of history to create a new understanding that sheds new light on Paul and why he is more relevant than ever today.



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Complete Your Advance Directive

Carolina's Healthcare is offering free classes where you can complete a North Carolina healthcare power of attorney and living will forms. You can have your directive forms notarized free of charge and learn what to do with the forms. Take care of your future care by having an advance directive.

Where: Concord Library
 When: January 11, March 8, May 10, July 12, September 13, November 8
 Where: Kannapolis Library
 When: February 8, June 14, October 11
 Where: Harrisburg Library
 When: April 10, August 14

Global Missions Offering
"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you." John 15:12

Received : \$3685.00

Thank You

Thank you for your support in 2017 with McGill Baptist's Children's Missions Operation Christmas Child. With your monthly donations we packed 100 boxes to send overseas. This past month you donated \$692.35 "postage" at our post office that we will use to pay the shipping for next year's boxes. We are updating our donation calendars to share with you. January will again be a bar of soap (NO IVORY) and a wash cloth. Save the date of November 4, 2018 for the packing party.

On the back of the calendar is a schedule of monthly items that will be collected. This month we want to collect 100 bars of soap and 100 wash cloths (NO Ivory).

Next month's items are 100 toothbrushes, 100 toothbrush covers, and dental floss (NO toothpaste or mouthwash).

UNCC Basketball

Let Jaime Poe know if you can help with the basketball concessions at UNCC at (jkt1128@gmail.com)

January 11th @ 5:30 pm
 January 13th @ 5:30pm
 January 27th @ 5:30 pm
 February 1st @ 5:30 pm
 February 3rd @ 5:30 pm
 February 15th @ 5:30 pm
 February 17th @ 5:30 pm
 March 1st @ 6:00 pm
 March 3rd @ 6:00 pm
 March 11th-Cheerleading (will open in early morning)
 March 24th-Globetrotters (will have 2 games)

CMC NE: Barbara Andrews, Winfry Whicker

Remember Our Shut-Ins

Say a prayer and send a card to:

Mrs. Nancy McDowell
 St. Andrews Living Center
 246 Cabarrus Avenue
 Concord, NC 28025

Mrs. Norma Measmer
 St. Andrews Living Center
 246 Cabarrus Avenue
 Concord, NC 28025

J.O.Y. Club

The program for the J.O.Y. Club Thursday, January 11, 11:00 a.m., will be Cindy Abell representing HOME INSTEAD Senior Care.

Food will be provided.

Youth Handbell Practice

Youth Bells will start back January 21st.

Offering Envelopes

2018 offering envelopes are either in your Sunday School classroom or in the lobby. Please pick them up this week.

Thank You

Thank you for your generosity with our Holiday Food Drive.

Our PLC leadership class was able to fill 32 boxes for our Performance Learning Center Families.

Your kindness has made the holidays a lot brighter for these families.

Troops Care Packages

December 7 marked 10 years of A Rose of Thanks holiday care package drive for our troops. The Concord Alumnae Chapter of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority hosted the group at McGill Baptist Church. More than 25 community volunteers assisted in making over 159 care packages.

MINISTER OF MUSIC

I hope everyone has been able to stay warm and safe during this first week of 2018! I don't remember it being this cold for so long a period of time. There have been water main's breaking all over town in Salisbury. I look forward to some warmer temperatures this week!

This coming Wednesday, January 10, the Sanctuary Bells will be rehearsing. We are preparing for the State Bell Festival in February. All other ensembles will meet at the regular time.

Rev. Darryl Jefferson will be singing in both services this coming Sunday. D.J. has two more Sundays with us before he leaves for his new job in Texas. This is a bittersweet time! We are all glad for DJ that he has this opportunity, but we certainly are going to miss his wonderful spirit and the talents that he shares with us. I know we will all want to be praying for DJ as he begins a new chapter in his life.

I look forward to seeing everyone this week!

In Loving Memory

Mr. J. Lawrence Blackley
May 29, 1930-January 1, 2018

The members and congregation of McGill Baptist Church express our Christian love and sympathy to the family of Mr. Lawrence Blackley.

Our Sympathy

Our Christian love and sympathy is expressed to Doris Rogers in the death of her sister, Rachel Wall on December 23 and her brother-in-law, Thomas Wall, on December 29.

Thank You from the Staff

Thanks to all of you at McGill Baptist Church who remembered the staff at Christmas with a card, gift, goodies and your love.

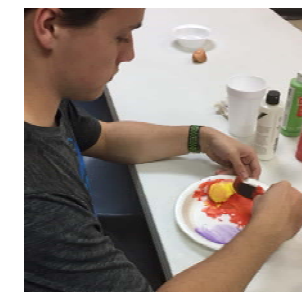
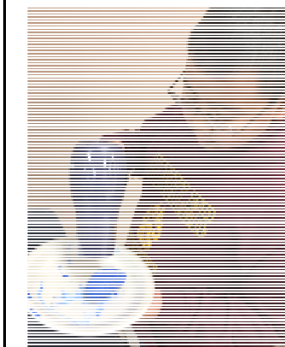
We all look forward to working together with you in 2018.
Steve Ayers, Steve Harrill, Paul, Lindsay and Patsy

MINISTER OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH
Happy New Year!

With the start of the New Year comes resolutions. Resolutions to start or stop something. If you think about it, resolutions are a way to encourage ourselves.

This past Sunday night we talked about how life isn't smooth, but can be rough and have uneven edges and how everyone needs encouragement. With that said we spent time painting encouragement rocks. They were told to leave the rocks for someone to find where they live, work or go to school. What better way to start the new year than encouraging one another.

This Sunday night we will have a movie night and will meet from 6-8:30.



ASSISTAND DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN YOUTH & MUSIC

The busy time is slowing down, and it is a brand new year! We are looking forward to beginning a new season of music with our ensembles.

I am extremely proud of our Youth Choir and the hard work they have done in the last few months. They sang "He Has Come For Us" during the second service and they sounded amazing! We are excited to sing for more upcoming services soon. The Youth Handbells and Youth Choir will begin rehearsals on Sunday, January 21st. If there are any youth who are interested in joining these groups, please come talk to me or Glenita.

I hope everyone has a wonderful week!

Thank You

I deeply appreciate all the prayers and other expressions of sympathy at the death of my sister, Rachel Yates Wall, on December 23, and then her husband, Tommy Wall, on December 29. Thank you, Pastor Steve, for attending their memorial services. Rachel and Tom had been married 70 years and now they are in their heavenly home together.

With love to all,
Doris Rogers

Thank You

Dear Church Family,
Thank you so much for all the visits, calls and cards that you blessed me with during my health scare with the ticker.

I am doing well and hope to be back at church soon. Miss my church family more than I can say.

Love you,
Bud Sanders