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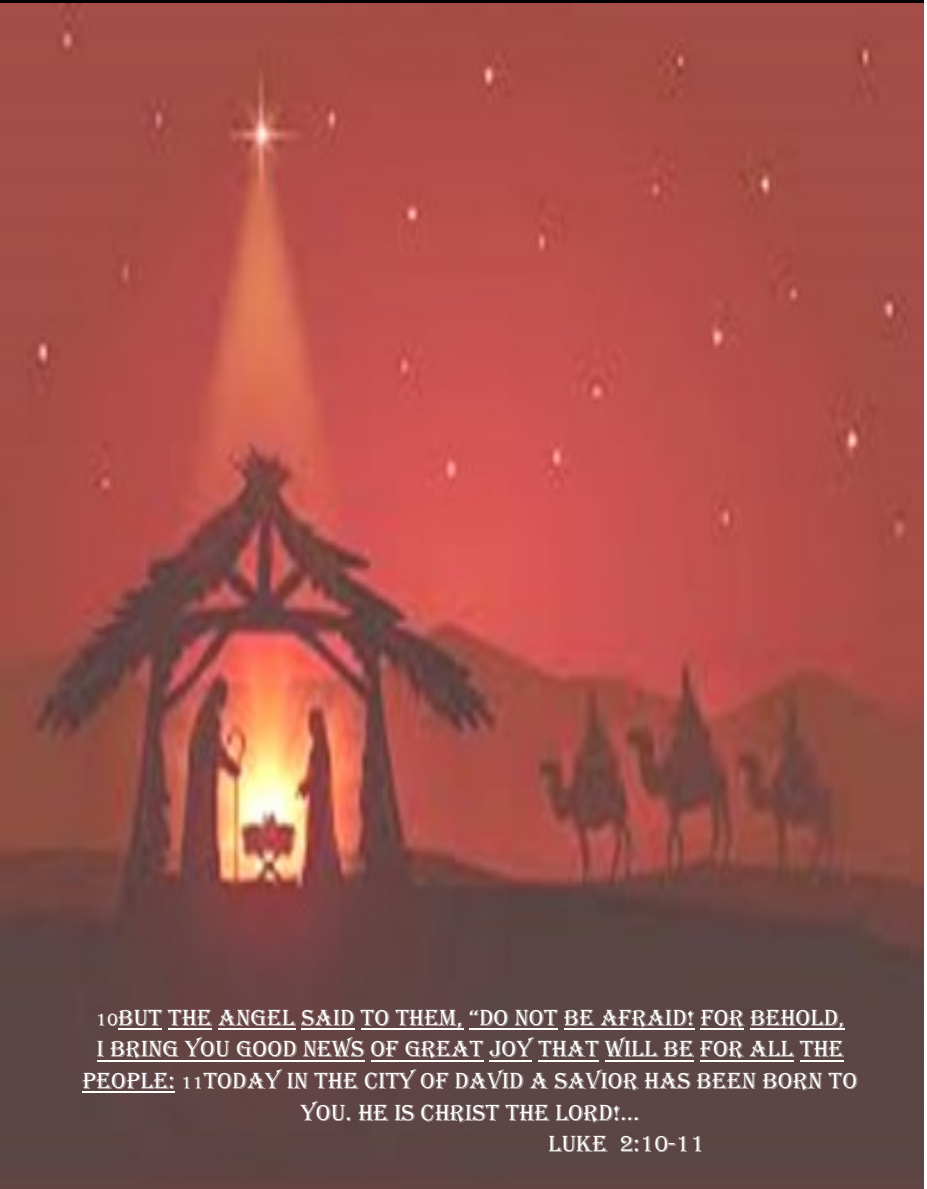
This Month

December 2021

- 11/28-12/5 Week of Prayer for International Missions and the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering
- 2 MBA Minister's/Spouses Christmas Banquet
- 8 MBA Evangelism/Missions Team, Noon, MBO
- 13 MBA Prayer Time, 10am, MBO
- 22- Jan 3 Christmas Holidays, MBO closed

January 2022

- 12 MBA Administrative Team, Noon, MBO
- 13 MBA Senior Adult Rally, Noon, FBC Leesburg
- 16 Sanctity of Human Life Sunday
- 17 Martin Luther King Jr. Day. MBO Closed
- 24 MBA Prayer Time, Noon, MBO
- 25 MBA Minister's Fellowship, FBC Albany
- 29 Train-You-Ary, FBC Sylvester, 8am-4pm



10BUT THE ANGEL SAID TO THEM, "DO NOT BE AFRAID! FOR BEHOLD, I BRING YOU GOOD NEWS OF GREAT JOY THAT WILL BE FOR ALL THE PEOPLE: 11TODAY IN THE CITY OF DAVID A SAVIOR HAS BEEN BORN TO YOU. HE IS CHRIST THE LORD!...

LUKE 2:10-11

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Make Disciples to Impact the World"*

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DOM Thoughts

Romans 8:18 For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us. (NKJV)

I had high hopes for 2021. After 2020 with COVID and Silas's cancer returning, I felt like 2021 had to be an improvement. Think about it, this time last year we heard that the vaccines were on the way. To me, that meant COVID was on the way... out. Well, 2021 wasn't all I expected or hoped. We are certainly grateful that Silas is cancer free and is only going to Shands for scans, but with Delta and now Omicron, COVID isn't as over as I had hoped. Maybe 2022 will be the year we can truly put COVID in the rearview.

Suffice it to say, I am glad to see 2021 go. I am also glad to see 2022 come. I am praying it has fewer tribulations for all of us. Each year is a fresh start. Maybe you are just like me and you will be glad to see 2021 go... in the past... history. Or maybe you are the exact opposite and 2021 was a great year and you hate to see it end. The reality is, every new year will not always be better than the last. Whenever your less than stellar year comes, I want you to remember this verse. Romans 8:18 For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.

This verse says to me that no matter how good or how bad my year is (or my day, week or month), that one day, it won't matter. The sufferings and sorrows of this world will be over, a thing of the past. The glory of heaven and the blessings it holds will far outweigh anything we suffer through here. Therefore, no matter what you or I go through, we have a hope.

Because of that hope, there is a great deal that we can endure. Unfortunately, many believers don't know a great deal about their eternal destiny. Or for that matter, the abundant life that God has for us now. It is not because the information is hidden. Quite the opposite. For most Christians, it is sitting on their shelf, in their car or some other place. If you truly desire to know more about the hope that you have, and the abundant life God has for you, don't go out and buy a self-help book. Instead, read the greatest book ever written. Will you commit to reading the Bible through this year? You might be surprised at what you find. I know every time I read it, I find something new!

Instead of taking mine or anyone else's word on what the Bible says, will you take the time to find out yourself? Trust me, if you do, the sufferings of this world will seem a lot less important when you compare them to our eternal hope.

As one who is infinitely weaker than the Lord,
Hans

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Church News

Alpha: Alpha Baptist Church in Leesburg GA is looking for a Pianist for Sunday 11am service only.

Antioch: ABC is prayerfully looking for a Youth Minister to lead and guide our church's middle and high school students. Visit our webpage or click the link below for more information >>>

<https://drive.google.com/.../13YXRdNmK9J2wRQKw.../view>

Faith: Faith Baptist Church is seeking a piano player for Sunday mornings and Sunday evenings, which includes choir practice. If you are interested or know anyone who might be interested, please contact Pastor David Cromie at davidcromie.27@gmail.com.

FBC Acree: FBC of Acree is collecting: Men pants (size 30-34) Any length-Winter pants, jeans
Men's Shirts (size S-M) Short/long Sleeves
Men's shoes any size

To be used for Afghanistan Refugees. Please call: 436-0909 and leave a message for Priscilla with your Name and number. "Thank You" for your assistance.

New Hope: New Hope Baptist Church, Scooterville GA, is seeking a bi-vocational pastor. Prayerfully interested individuals are requested to send a resume to the following address: New Hope Baptist Church ATTN: Pastor Search Committee / Steve Powell, 5445 GA Hwy 256 Sumner GA 31789 Please provide via email as well to:

roberthwilliams61@icloud.com

Poulan: Poulan Baptist Church is seeking a pastor. Please send resumes to Poulan Baptist Church, P.O. Box 67, att: pastor search committee, Poulan Ga ,31781

Salem: Salem Baptist Church in Worth County is searching for a pastor. This is a small country church with approx. 100 active members. The facilities have been kept up to date and the pastorium has been recently refurbished and updated. For further information contact: Jay Barfield, 150 Barfield Rd, Sylvester, GA 31791, (229)376-1234

Sherwood: • Join us on December 11 or 12 as Sherwood Worship choir and orchestra presents: Wonder, a Sherwood Christmas Concert! The event will include family activities and a pre-show before the performance. No tickets are needed. SCHEDULE for both nights: Beginning at 4 pm | Family activities with live nativity, photo booths, crafts & games, 5:30 pm | Worship Center doors open for pre-show—6 pm | Concert begins

Mallary Prayer Time
December 13, 2021
10am, MBO

2022 EVANGELISM CONFERENCES

**UNTIL
 ALL
 HEAR**

*"This continued for two years, so that all the residents of Asia heard the word of the Lord, both Jews and Greeks."
 -Acts 19:10*

Registration Now Open

Select Your Region and Register

[Central Georgia Evangelism Conference](#)
[South Georgia Evangelism Conference](#)
[North Georgia Evangelism Conference](#)

Train-YOU-Ary

**Tracks For Pastors, Youth Leaders,
 and Music Leaders**

Special Guest Youth
 Track: Dr. Tim McKnight,
 Anderson University

Special Guest
 Music Track:
 Lee Hill, GBMB
 Music Strategist



Mallary Baptist Assoc. invites you to
 January 29th, 2022, 9a-4p, FBC Sylvester
 207 North Isabella St., Sylvester, GA
 Cost \$15 (Includes lunch and materials)
 Bivocational Pastor Panel and
 breakout sessions.



**REEL FEST
 STUDENT
 Worship Weekend**

**JANUARY
 21-22, 2022**

**\$25
 PER PERSON**

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12.29.21 - 12.30.21

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 Join our volunteer team
 Support monthly as a church, business, or individual
 Donate items for our baby store

Albany Biblical Counseling

Becoming a Participating Church

Listen to advice and accept instruction, that you may gain wisdom in the future. Proverbs 19:20

Albany Biblical Counseling serves the people of Southwest Georgia. Biblical counseling involves defining problems in biblical terms and coming alongside those in need to provide hope from God's Word. Albany Biblical Counseling exists to point people to the saving grace of Jesus Christ. To achieve lasting Biblical change, it is vital to establish and maintain a consistent Christian walk. The Lord has provided the local church to assist in this daily walk. Local churches can become a **PARTICIPATING CHURCH** through monthly support of Albany Biblical Counseling; thus, helping those in need and reducing the rate for those they refer.

Call 229-431-3101 to see how you can partner in this vital ministry.

Albany Biblical Counseling
 2205 Barnesdale Way
 Albany, GA 31707

**Just a reminder to our churches that
 the deadline to submit news for the
 Newsletter is the 15th of each month. Just send us an email to
 minassistant@mallary-baptist.org**

WHAT'S HAPPENING

February 2022

- 9 Evangelism/Missions Team, Noon, MBO
- 13-20 Focus on WMU Week
- 21 President's Day, MBO closed
- 22 MBA Minister's Fellowship, FBC Albany
- 27 Racial Reconciliation Sunday
- 28 MBA Prayer Time, Noon, MBO

March 2022

- 6-13 Week of Prayer for Annie Armstrong Easter
- 9 MBA Administrative Team, Noon, MBO
- 13 Daylight Savings Time Begins
- 21 MBA Prayer Time, Noon, MBO
- 22 MBA Minister's Fellowship, FBC Albany
- 27 Church Planting Sunday

April 2022

- 8 MBA Senior Adult Rally, Noon, Lakeside
- 14 Evangelism/Missions Team, Noon, MBO
- 10-17 Holy Week
- 17 Easter
- 18 Easter Monday, MBO closed
- 21 MBA Spring Meeting, 7pm, Central, Albany
- 25 MBA Prayer Time, Noon, MBO
- 26 MBA Minister's Fellowship, FBC Albany
- 27 Administrative Professionals Day

June 2022

- 5 Disaster Relief Sunday
- 14-15 SBC Annual Meeting, Anaheim, CA
- 19 Father's Day
- 20 MBA Prayer Time, Noon, MBO

July 2022

- 4 Independence Day, MBO Closed
- 14 MBA Senior Adult Rally, Noon, Byne
- 18 MBA Prayer Time, Noon, MBO



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October Income: \$9,873.03
October Expenses: \$12,729.01
Budget Needs Per Month: \$14,669.25



Minister/Staff Anniversaries

January:

1	Hans Wunch, DOM, MBA	2016
6	Roy Cook, Gillionville, Assoc. Pastor	2003
22	Jay Barcus, Forrester, Pastor	2012

Minister/Staff Birthdays

December:

5	Philip Joyce, Sports & Rec Assoc Pastor, Sherwood
9	Jay Barcus, Pastor, Forrester
19	Leonard (Les) Reed, Pastor, Alpha
29	Pat Wilks, Ministry Assistant, MBA

January:

3	Brian Kelley, Pastor of Marketing and Media, Sherwood
11	Charles Rouse, Pastor, Liberty
12	Andrew Kornegay, Pastor, Lakeside
18	Seth Brasher, Worship Pastor, Sherwood
30	Danny James, Music, Gillionville

MALLARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION PRAYER UPDATE
(Acts 1:8 Prayer Plan—Volume 23, Number 12, December 2021/January 2022)

Urgent Prayer Requests

David Smith as he takes treatments for cancer.

Those impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic and their families. Pray for our churches, pastors, and leaders as they lead during this time.

Our Jerusalem

1. Pray for our Vision to become a reality: ***"Serving together the churches of the Mallary Baptist Association will make disciples to impact the world."***

2. We are praying for our churches and pastors according to an alphabetical list of churches. Terrell (no pastor), Thundering Springs (Tom Baggett, pastor), Union (no pastor), Unity (Dudley Cook, pastor), and Westview (Grady Morey, pastor).

3. Pray for the churches without pastors: Beacon, New Hope, Salem, Terrell, and Union.

4. Pray for our city and county officials in Dougherty, Lee, and Worth Counties.

5. Pray for our schools, colleges, boards of education, superintendents, principals, teachers, and students.

6. Pray for the lost in your family and your circle of influence (work, school, recreation, neighborhood, etc.).

7. Pray for unity in the body of Christ in our association and surrounding area.

8. Pray for the meetings of the Prayer/Discipleship Team, Evangelism/Missions Team, Administrative Team, as well as the monthly MBA Prayer Time.

9. Pray for the Mallary Baptist Staff (Dr. Hans Wunch and Mrs. Pat Wilks).

10. Pray for the Mallary Baptist Associational Fall Meeting, October 20th, 2022 at Central Baptist Church.

11. Pray for the Alpha Pregnancy Centers in Albany and Worth Counties.

12. Pray for Call to Care, Promise 686, Lutheran Services of GA, and other foster / adoptive organizations.

Our Judea

1. Pray for our state government officials.

2. Pray for the Georgia Baptist Mission Board: its Executive Director (Thomas Hammond), its ministries, and other State Missionaries.

3. Pray that God would continue to raise up 31 churches in our area to pray for 24 hours each month (one day) for spiritual awakening and renewal in SW Georgia. Churches are signing up now. Contact MBA if you would like to join.

4. Pray for New Church Plants and Church Strengthening efforts in our GA Baptist Churches.

Our Samaria

1. Pray for our national government leaders.

2. Pray for the North American Mission Board, its president (Kevin Ezell), staff, and its missionaries.

3. Pray for the Southern Baptist Convention: CEO search committee of the Executive Committee and Ed Litton, SBC President.

4. Pray for our SBC Annual Meeting June 14-15, 2022 in Anaheim, CA.

5. Pray for our partnership with the Metropolitan New York Baptist Association, New York; George Russ, Executive Director; its 260 churches; and their church planting efforts.

6. Pray for Pastor Lito & Pastor Bruce Plummer serving in MT. That God would call pastors to serve the tribes.

7. Pray for the revival of God's people and the spiritual awakening of our nation and the world.

8. Pray for the protection and support of our law enforcement, fire fighters, EMS personnel, and Medical Staff.

9. Pray for Brandton and Katie Wood and New England Church Planters.

10. Pray for Josh and Shannon Jennings, church planters in Sedona, AZ.

Our Uttermost Parts of the World

1. Pray for the International Mission Board--its president (Paul Chitwood), staff, and missionaries.

2. Pray for the 1.8 billion Muslims of the world that they would come to an understanding of who Jesus Christ is.

3. Pray for the Gospel of Christ to come to the 3.1 billion unreached people in the world.

4. Pray for protection for our armed forces around the globe.

5. Pray that the people of the world would have stable governments and that they would have an opportunity to hear the Gospel and respond.

6. Pray that those who are seeking to escape religious persecution would find freedom.

7. Pray for the millions of families globally, who deal with the impact abortion has had on their lives.

8. Pray for Gideons International, Wycliffe Bible Translators, and Christian Missionaries around the world.

Next Prayer Time December 13th, 2021 at 10am at Mallary Baptist Association Office. All are Welcome
January Prayer Time 1/25/2022 at 10am

Prayer for Renewal and Revival

As we continue to join our hearts in prayer for Renewal and Revival, my prayer is for the Lord to give us the joy of knowing our Savior. Specifically, that we would not just go through the motions of celebrating the birth of Christ and a new year, but that we would rejoice in the wonder and majesty of it all just like those who were the first to experience it.

Perhaps the Christmas Season has become somewhat of a routine for you. Familiar decorations, songs, and outfits have become comfortable, lackluster, and faded. The wonder of the birth of Christ is overplayed in your mind, just like “All I Want For Christmas Is You”. Or perhaps it is worse than that. You have become so familiar with Christmas, that it no longer brings joy, or it is only a time of year for you to go into deeper debt. For you Christmas is a rut. Vance Havner once said, “Many people are in a rut and a rut is nothing but a grave - with both ends kicked out.” For the next two months I would encourage you to look at Luke 2:1-38 to guide your prayer time.

As you study this passage notice the joy and excitement surrounding the birth of Christ. Think about all the different groups and individuals who knew even from His first days that Jesus was and is the Messiah. Put yourself in the sandals of the lowly shepherds. Under normal circumstances, they would likely have been some of the last to hear of the birth of a king. They not only got to see him early, they switched from shepherds to shouters as they made sure everyone in town knew about the birth of Christ. Think about how their life was changed.

Simeon and Anna also rejoiced in the presence of the infant Savior. They did not know the path that the life of Christ would take, but they knew His destination. Imagine the wonder of Joseph and Mary as the two strangers acknowledged the baby in their arms was the Savior of not just Israel, but the world as well. Two Thousand years later, it is easy read right over the excitement that surrounded the birth of the Christ. Chose this year to tune out the hustle and bustle of the world to listen to joyful sounds of the witnesses of the Messiah’s birth.

As you finish, please continue in prayer for the following items:

1. Ask the Lord to help you see wonder of the birth of Christ.
2. Ask the Lord to help you see why His birth was necessary.
3. Thank the Lord that Jesus was willing to leave the splendor of heaven in order to be the Savior of
4. all mankind and for all eternity.
5. Pray that people would find out about Him and follow Him this Christmas and New Year Season.
6. Pray that your message to others would be the same no matter who they are, or how you are
7. received.
8. Pray for missionaries and church leaders around the world. That God gives them favor and insight with those they are called to.
9. Pray for the needs of the others on your team, yourself, and church (including your pastor and staff).
10. Pray that the Lord would make this a sweet time that you would look forward to each month.
11. Pray that God would send more people to pray.
12. Pray that the Lord would extend the free gift of salvation to those in your community and family.
13. Pray that God would raise up people in your church that will be intentional disciples of Christ.
14. Pray that no matter the circumstances, you will follow Jesus, and other believers will too.
15. Pray that the Lord will help you see that nothing is more valuable than your relationship with Him.