

"A people gathered in Christ; nurtured in His Spirit; and sent in His name.

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our Pastor ...

This Sunday, December 12, is the birth date of Lottie Moon! At her birth, she was named Charlotte Diggs Moon, but her first name was shortened to Lottie. Her desire to be a missionary was sparked by reading "The Lives of the Three Mrs. Judsons," and her life was a reflection of Christ as she selflessly gave to the people of north China for forty vears. The offering established in her name in 1888 still reminds us that the spreading of the gospel requires the cooperation of all believers! That is why Southern Baptists initially began cooperating: to provide better support for mission efforts. The Cooperative Baptist Fellowship has captured this same spirit with their offering for Global Missions with the theme, "Together, Being the Presence of Christ: 1 Corinthians 3:9." The Lottie Moon national goal is \$150 million and the CBF national goal is \$6.1 million. Together these goals represent an aggressive goal of over \$156 million that will be used to spread the good news of Jesus Christ. The same good news that the angels proclaimed needs our faithfulness today. Please do your part financially, but also remember to pray for our foreign missionaries and to share in their calling by proclaiming the "good news" of Jesus Christ "every day...in some way!"

This Sunday morning, we will worship with JOY on the third Sunday of Advent and will enjoy a musical offering by our youth and children in the evening...invite someone to both services!

Ramon

## The Music Ministry of College Park Baptist presents

CITY ON A HILL CHRISTMAS

A Christmas Worship Experience led by Sing for God, Psalm 8:2, Ainesis

Sunday, December 12, 6:00 P.M.

# In Touch

## Christmas at the Park

You have heard of "Sunday at the Park," but have you heard of "Christmas at the Park?" Well, it is a brand new event for our entire church family. On Wednesday, December 22, everyone will gather in Smith Hall for a time of sharing Christmas memories — funny stories as well as meaningful ones.

### WEEK OF PRAYER December 5 - 12

International Missions "That All Peoples May Know Him" and Global Missions

"Together...Being the Presence of Christ"

## Goal: \$20,000.00 Received to Date: \$5,425.00

## We can all be involved by:

**Praying:** You are encouraged to use the prayer guides to pray for our missionaries around the world and for God's guidance as to how you can personally help.

*Giving:* Envelopes for the offering are in your regular envelope package and will also be placed about the church. Please give generously so that our missionaries will be able to continue to do their work on the global and international mission fields.

*Learning:* Tonight, Debbie Bardin will speak at our Family Night service. She and her husband have served in Nigeria, and are currently in the U.S. for study. She will share the exciting things God is doing on the foreign mission field.

The *Girls in Action* have made posters to help remind us to pray and how each of us can have an active role in being a missionary as Jesus asked us to do.

Our *Royal Ambassadors* have made prayer emblems to assist you in your praying. Please stop by the Prayer Tree on the mezzanine and take one of the emblems from the tree. Spend time in prayer specifically for the missionary whose name is on the ornament. Also pray for the mission field in general.

Our *Women on Mission Groups* are sponsoring a "Hospitality Brunch" on December 11, at 9:30 a.m. All proceeds will go for missions. The *Acteens* are taking a very active part in this brunch.

## Happy Anniversary, Joan

On November 24th, Joan Snyder celebrated her 5th anniversary as our Administrative Secretary. She was recognized during the supper and fellowship time on Wednesday evening, December 8th. Thank you, Joan, for all you do for us and your wonderful spirit of ministry as you serve the members of College Park.

#### 2005 Sanctuary Flowers

We are grateful to those who placed memorial and honorary flowers in the Sanctuary during 2004. <u>Each year we</u> <u>begin with a new flower calendar.</u> If you would like to place special occasion, honorary or memorial flowers in the Sanctuary in 2005, please call the church office.

The following dates are available for the first quarter:

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Jan. 2	Jan. 9	Jan. 23
Jan. 30	Feb. 20	Feb. 27
March 6	March 13	March 20

