



# Sunset Reflector

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***Presented by the Adult Choir & Praise Band  
of Sunset Avenue Baptist Church***

***December 14 @ 6:00***

***Church-wide social in fellowship hall.***

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**Candlelight Communion  
Service**

**Sunday, December 21  
@ 6:00**

## SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE

Sunday School - 9:15

Worship - 10:30

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LOTTIE MOON  
CHRISTMAS  
OFFERING®

**Week of Prayer  
For International Missions  
November 30-December 7  
And  
Lottie Moon Christmas Offering  
November 30-January 4  
Goal: \$75,000.00  
Challenge Goal: \$85,000.00**



**Ladies Christmas Exchange,  
Tuesday Night, December 2nd  
6:15-8:30 p.m.  
New Fellowship Hall.**

Please bring three (3) unwrapped gifts to exchange and join us for a night of Devotion, Food, Fun and Fellowship!

## The Pastor's Pen...

It is time for our annual year-end emphasis on international missions and the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. This year our primary goal is \$75,000 and our challenge goal is \$85,000. Let's remind ourselves of what this emphasis is and why it's so important.

***What is the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering?*** "At 18, Lottie Moon chose to follow Christ and her life became a testimony of hope. Years later in China, she gave herself to serving others and sharing the light of God's love in the midst of great need. In her letters home, she pleaded for prayers and support so that more people could bring that same hope to a world in darkness. Her words sparked a legacy that continues today through the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. Every dollar you give becomes more than a gift—it brings hope, it brings light. One hundred percent of your offering supports missionaries who carry the gospel to the ends of the earth. Together we can shine in the darkest places. (Source: [lottiemoon.com](http://lottiemoon.com))

***What did your Lottie Moon Christmas Offering gifts accomplish in 2024?*** Here are some of the highlights of how the LMCO advanced the gospel through our 3577 Southern Baptist international missionaries: we saw 68,628 baptisms, 84,430 new leaders developed, 2409 churches planted, 144,969 professed faith in Christ, and 1.6 million heard the gospel. (Source: [lottiemoon.com](http://lottiemoon.com))

One of our missionaries made the following statement regarding how important your gifts are to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering: "We remain grateful for churches in the U.S. who support God's mission on the other side of the world. This task isn't possible without our work together." Thank you, SABC members who believe in the urgency of making known the glory of Christ among the nations, for your continued support of this offering. Let's sacrifice together this Christmas to say to our SBC international missionaries that we are with them in our giving, praying, and going.

I love you all.

*Pastor Robin*





## **CHECK REQUESTS**

**2025 Receipts & Check Requests are due**  
Please turn all 2025 purchase receipts & check requests with corresponding signed receipts by **Monday, December 15**, so that bookkeeping can close out the year. Contact Kim Stallings at [kstallings@sabaptist.org](mailto:kstallings@sabaptist.org) with any with any questions.

**Budget Conference**  
**Wednesday, December 17**  
**@ 6:30**  
There will be no service or activities.



**Red Cross Blood Drive**  
Our next blood drive, in memory of Albert Boone, will be Wednesday, December 17, from 1:30 to 6:00 in the old fellowship hall. Please contact Elizabeth Lancaster at 443-5287 or Carol Boone at 903-6173 for more information or you can schedule an appointment at [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) & use **Sponsor Code: Sunset Ave Baptist.**

## Prayer Concerns

Bill Armstrong ~ Ed & Edith Baker ~ David Blackmon ~ Phil & Carol Boone ~ Sara Carlisle ~ Tammy Fowler ~ Darryl Gschwind ~ Pam Davis ~ Pat Doughtie ~ Bury & Cathy Hendricks ~ Heath Henry ~ Dean Jackson ~ Nona Jones ~ Tony Knight ~ Ronnie Koen ~ Bill McDaniel ~ Johnson Moore ~ Anise Rose ~ Terry Tyson ~ Joyce Valentine ~ David Waltz ~ Ted Ward ~ Grace Waters ~ Bennett & Ashley Williford & baby boy Finnley ~ Family of Edward Meyer ~ His Mansion Ministry ~ King's Way Ministry ~ Stone Gate Ministry ~ Boston Partnership ~ A Place of Grace Ministry ~ Hispanic Church

*In order to keep our prayer list current, names will remain on the list for four weeks (unless otherwise requested).*

### **JANUARY NEWSLETTER ARTICLES**

*Any information that you wish to have published  
in the January newsletter should be emailed to  
lwebb@sabaptist.org by noon on  
Friday, December 19.*

### **THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER**

*is available on the church website: sabaptist.org*

#### **October 26, 2025 – November 23, 2025**

##### **Attendance Totals**

|    | <b><u>Sunday School</u></b> | <b><u>Worship</u></b> |
|----|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
| 26 | 202                         | 222                   |
| 2  | 231                         | 263                   |
| 9  | 207                         | 264                   |
| 16 | 242                         | 286                   |
| 23 | 280                         | 228                   |

#### **Membership Additions in 2025**

|                                   |    |
|-----------------------------------|----|
| By Baptism (Watchcare = 3)        | 6  |
| By Transfer or Statement of Faith | 16 |

#### **Weekly Budget Need for 2025: \$ 25,948.63**

#### **October 26, 2025 - November 23, 2025 Giving Totals**

|    | <b><u>Offering Received</u></b> | <b><u>Designated</u></b> | <b><u>Total Received</u></b> |
|----|---------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| 26 | \$ 13,276.00                    | \$ 1,110.00              | \$ 14,386.00                 |
| 2  | \$ 36,687.11                    | \$ 1,417.50              | \$ 38,104.61                 |
| 9  | \$ 41,439.13                    | \$ 7,885.15              | \$ 49,324.28                 |
| 16 | \$ 16,268.55                    | \$ 3,651.50              | \$ 19,920.05                 |
| 23 | \$ 17,055.71                    | \$ 78,794.34             | \$ 95,850.05                 |

#### **Year to Date Budget January 1, 2025 - November 23, 2025**

|  | <b><u>Required</u></b> | <b><u>Received</u></b> | <b><u>Difference</u></b> |
|--|------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|
|  | \$ 1,219,585.61        | \$ 1,102,308.73        | \$ (199,276.88)          |



**Merry Christmas!!**

**Our annual trip to the “Rudy Theater” will begin at 10:00 on the 11th of December. Because of the increase in the price of food, we will not eat at “Robin’s Nest” this year. We will be at the North State Food Mall where you will have many selections of restaurants to choose for lunch. You will need to pay for your own lunch.**



**Renovation Fund for**

**The Old Fellowship Hall**

**Amount Needed: \$135,000.00**

**Amount Given as of 11/23: \$138,395.00**



**Unwrap a good book! Our library has Christ-centered books, DVDs, and other resources. Come by and check them out!**