

Missionaries of the Week

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Pray we are patient with the work of the Spirit in our community and that we would be faithful in the alley as well as on the mountaintop.

Live Stream Opportunities

Our 11 AM service streams live on Facebook and YouTube every Sunday. Additionally, Pastor Ponder's Wednesday night Bible study also streams live, but only on Facebook.

Links to these live-streams and a link to our YouTube channel can be found on our church website.

Giving Opportunities

On the front page of the church website, click the box labeled "On-Line Giving." You'll be directed to an easy-to-navigate form where you can make a one-time on-line donation or set up a recurring donation.

You may also mail your tithes and offerings to the following address:

**New Salem Baptist Church,
c/o Church Treasurer
554 Frank Stanton Rd, Limestone, TN 37681**

Monthly Budget Report

2024-2025 Budget:	\$199,995
Monthly Budget Need:	\$ 16,667
November Offerings:	\$ 16,603.90

Pastor
Dr. Craig Ponder
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Associate Pastor of Youth
Tim Jaynes
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Jim Ward
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This Week @NSBC

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A Pastor's Ponderings

A group of rookie prospectors once set out in search of gold. They went through many hardships and had no gold to show for it. Feeling defeated and discouraged, the prospectors headed back to town. Along the way they stopped to rest their horses on a small creek bank. One of the men casually picked up a little stone from the creek that had caught his eye. He called to his buddy for a hammer and upon cracking the rock, he said, "It looks like there may be gold here."

The two of them panned gold the rest of the afternoon and managed to find \$12 worth. The entire little company panned gold the next day in the same creek and made \$50. They knew they had struck it rich!

Knowing they needed more equipment and supplies to finish mining the gold, they saddled up and headed to town, vowing not to breathe a word about their gold strike. They secretly set about re-equipping themselves with supplies for another prospecting trip. When they got ready to go back, they were surprised to find 300 men following them. Who had told them? No one! Their beaming faces had betrayed their secret!

The simple truth is ... you can't keep real joy a secret. If you have true joy in your heart, it will show. God's gift of salvation is a gift you can open today. You can receive a Christmas present of joy right now through repentance and faith.

When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy.

Matthew 2:10



A New Message Series
Sundays at 9am and 11am

THE CAST OF Christmas

happy anniversary
Charles and Peggy Payne
December 23

happy birthday
Breanna Brown 12-15
Bud Wood 12-16
Kellie Jaynes 12-17
Deborah Daugherty 12-20
James Bailey 12-20
Kim Hoyle 12-20
Blake Miller 12-21
Brandon Shipley 12-21
Todd Wilhoit 12-23

PLANNING A PARTY?

Christmas Party If you want to use the Education Building during this holiday season, please **reserve your date** using the calendar located in the kitchen by the door.

Welcome

We're Glad You're Here

Merry Christmas!

NSBC Christmas Mailbox is Now Open!

Christmas Card list is available at the mailboxes.

Last day to bring cards Sunday, December 22

UPDATES TO OUR CHRISTMAS CARD LIST

#87 - Shirley Wilcox
(She'll be with us for Christmas this year, so you can ignore the mailing address!)

#88 - Pam Dayton

The New Salem Singers

Rehearsal Wednesday • 8:00 PM

January 2025						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

A complimentary 2025 calendar is available in the foyer.

December Happenings

Monday, December 23 • 5 PM

Christmas Eve Service

6 PM

THE GREENEVILLE

CHRISTMAS

SPECTACULAR

FBC Greeneville Today is your last chance!

We have tickets, but seating is limited. Sign up today if you'd like to go with us.

Keep in Your Prayers

“...since the day we heard of it, we have not ceased to pray for you...” (Colossians 1:9)

December 15 - December 22, 2024



<p>• SICKNESS AND HOSPITAL •</p> <p>Danny Birchfield Janet Birchfield Linda-Hart Bradley Howard Buchannan Stephanie Cade Jayce Clark Rex Darnell Margie Estes Audrey Franklin Alan Gass Mary Gray Shirley Greene Bill Hayden Larry Holimann Glenna Hughes, <small>(Kim Holley's Mother)</small> James Hylton Brenda Johnson Saundra Ledford Daryl Lemons Bruce Lewis Carter Lewis Dan Lewis Ed Lucas Dan McReynolds Ronnie Osborne Alan Payne Karen Payne</p>	<p>• OTHER REQUESTS •</p> <p>NSBC MINISTRIES: Nursery Sunday School Tues. Ladies' Small Group Youth & Children's Min. Wed. Small Groups New Couples Class Needed Appalachian Trail Min.</p> <p>American Military Gunner Barker Erik Cochran Issac Cutshall Landon Laws Jeremiah Martin Dominick Serge</p> <p>Baptist Collegiate Ministries (BCM)</p> <p>Ukraine Christians and Nation in crisis</p> <p>Pray for Israel</p> <p>Liz Broyles' family</p>	<p>• SALVATION •</p> <p>Kevin Ayers Michelle Ayers Robert Banks Charles Bowers Karen Burgin Rick Burgin Mary S. Carter Heather Crumb Jessica Curtis John Dowdy Jon Fazio Bryan Henley Johnny Horne Karen Ingram Patton Jervis Ken Kuwahara Donna Laws Scott Lewis Diane Miller Jim Norris Becky Norton Harry Norton Kenzie Nunley Pam Nunley Steve Pointer Larry Richardson Bill Shelton Kelly Shoun Elsie Vance Gaither Vance Tammy Waterhouse Kevin Whistine Unspoken</p>
<p>• ON-GOING NEEDS •</p> <p>Linda Bailey Tommy Bailey Jewell Berna Paul Berna Coach Cicirello Mike Conolly Steve Cutshall Allyson Evatt Mary Davidson Betty Gillis Howard Gillis Mark Gillis Pauline Gillis Emma Harrod Dorothy Holley Rollie and Judy Holtzinger Shelby Humphrey Sara Kussman Joan Lewis William Link</p>	<p>• SHUT-IN AND NURSING HOME •</p> <p>Peggy Francis Edith Grindstaff Dixie Patton Mildred Snapp</p>	

Weekly Schedule for December 15 - December 22, 2024

<p>Sunday</p>	<p>Morning Worship 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM (Note: Nursery is available during the 11:00 AM service only.)</p> <p>Sunday School Classes 10:00 AM</p> <p>Children's Church 11:00 AM</p> <p>On-Line Worship Opportunities Our 11:00 AM Morning Worship Service can be viewed live on Facebook and YouTube.</p>
<p>Tuesday</p>	<p>Men's Breakfast 9:00 AM</p> <p>Ladies' Prayer Group 9:00 AM</p>
<p>Wednesday</p>	<p>Adult Bible Study 10:00 AM</p> <p>Adult Bible Study 7:00 PM</p> <p>Youth meets @ The Spot 7:00 PM</p> <p>KIA meet in the Education Building 7:00 PM</p> <p>New Salem Singers rehearsal 8:00 PM</p>
<p>Next Sunday December 22</p>	<p>Morning Worship 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM</p> <p>Sunday School Classes 10:00 AM</p> <p>Children's Church 11:00 AM</p>



Visit our website and navigate to the *Media* page to read more about our free streaming platform and request your free login invitation.

Some of us have embarked on a plan to **read through the Bible in a year**. The great thing about this plan is that you can start any time. That means it's not too late for you to get on board! Copies of the plan are available on the Welcome Desk.

Keep in Your Prayers
Additions, changes or corrections? Please text or call Janice Cunningham; 865-661-5926. Thanks so much for your help!