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In my last article I began with what we can expect in 2022. I mentioned that it will be a year of great opportunity.

Also, *it will be a year filled with Biblical obligations*. Like many of you, I have heard “covid excuses” more than I desire to. Despite the “pandemic”, the Great Commission has not been revoked. Evangelism is still imperative. The Gospel is still “the Power of God unto Salvation.” It is the responsibility and duty of every believer to share Jesus with a lost world. This year is a year with the obligation and joy to spend time in the Word of God.

This year will be a *year of great uncertainty*. What will happen to the economy? What about inflation? Crime is now destroying our cities and our way of life. Our country is more divided than in a very long time. People are looking for answers and finding few. With conflict and war and despair and division, thank God for Romans 8:28. What is unsettling and unsettled for us is already settled in Heaven. God still reigns and knows what He is doing. You can trust Him!

2022 will *also be a year of unspeakable joy*! This year you will be able to lead someone to faith in Christ. You will grow spiritually and you will see some of those whom you love also grow. I pray that you will grow in your understanding of God’s will for you.

I will finish this thought in my next article.

Robert



#### What is Love?

Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud.

It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs.

Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

1 Corinthians 13:4-7  
NIV



The Psalter in Psalm 46:10 provides for us an encouragement from the Lord to *"Be Still and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth."* I am thankful that God allows us, in our sinfulness, to have a small part of Him be exalted on the earth. Sometimes we forget or fail to recognize that He is God. In 2022 we use statements like, "we've never done that before" or "COVID has killed our outreach." But He is still God! He will still be exalted among the nations. J. Hudson Taylor, a missionary to China, summed this up by saying, "How often do we attempt work for God to the limit of our incompetency rather than to the limit of God's omnipotency." Let's make sure we exalt Him this month and serve Him not based on our meager limits but His unlimited power.

If you need help planning a mission or ministry event, please don't hesitate to give us a call.

Blessings:  
Chris

#### Here are a few upcoming state events you may be interested in as you serve:

##### Impact Conference

February 17 at Shandon Baptist Church  
Columbia, SC

##### Spring Disaster Relief Training

April 2 at Lake View Baptist Church  
Hartsville, SC

##### SCBC Salt Lake City Vision Trip

May 10-13  
Salt Lake City, UT

**Treasurer's Report  
December 2021**

Contributions from Churches	20,731.79
Other	12,471.57
Total	33,203.36
Total Spent in December	35,915.19
Difference	-2,711.83

Monthly Budget Required	25,484.00
Budget Required thru December	305,808.00
Receipts to date	283,191.82
Budget Deficit	-22,616.18

**Contributions from Churches**  
(Note: Some churches give quarterly)

	<u>Jan-Dec 2021</u>	<u>Jan-Dec 2020</u>
Agape	2,528.02	3,650.83
Arial	3,913.00	3,819.00
Bishop Branch	3,211.72	5,476.09
Brushy Creek	12,000.00	12,000.00
Calumet	1,639.00	2,349.00
Calvary Hill	9,931.60	9,403.26
Cannon Memorial	2,500.00	2,708.38
Cateechee	4,237.75	4,039.45
Cedar Rock	3,072.44	2,910.91
Central First	6,012.23	5,529.99
Connection Fellowship	792.50	780.00
Corinth	1,200.00	1,500.00
Crosswell First	4,124.97	4,583.30
Easley First	8,600.04	8,600.00
East Clemson	5,079.90	2,474.77
East Side	4125.00	4,500.00
Elljean	840.00	1,247.31
Enon	929.49	1,354.27
Esperanza	.00	.00
Faith	600.00	600.00
*Fellowship Comm	100.00	200.00
Flat Rock	3,219.21	5,757.70
Geer Memorial	4,389.89	4,944.96
Georges Creek	1,848.83	1,251.84
Glenwood	2,475.00	3,304.11
Graceway	.00	.00
Hunt's Mem.	3,600.00	3,600.00
Jones Ave.	8,320.23	8,417.29
Liberty First	2,750.00	3,500.00
Living Grace	558.49	87.43
Mount Moriah	3,000.00	3,000.00
Mountain Springs	11,560.13	10,911.44
Mt. Airy	9,600.00	9,600.00
Mt. Carmel	7,889.44	8,977.75
Mt. Pisgah	12,000.00	12,170.00
Mt. Tabor	435.00	348.00
Norris First	9,000.00	9,000.00
Park Street	147.00	56.00
Pendleton St.	646.19	553.92
Powdersville First	13,376.89	12,387.14
Refuge	2,000.00	2,000.00
Rice's Creek	2,825.51	1,826.31
River Road	841.50	983.22
Rock Springs	49,522.86	57,470.46
Ruhamah	.00	.00
Siloam	9,764.06	9,623.92
Six & Twenty	3,500.00	2,100.00
Slabtown	4,005.00	2,880.00
Smith Grove	.00	700.00
The Neighborhood	300.00	200.00
Trinity Point	.00	.00
Wren	<u>1,501.18</u>	<u>978.81</u>
Total	244,514.07	254,356.86

\*Not a member of PBA

**February  
Prayer Calendar**

**Birthdays:**

- 3 Victoria Foxx, wife of Min. of Youth, Bishop Branch
- 3 Anna Mitchell, wife of Min. Of Youth, Mt. Carmel
- 6 Mandy Loftis, Pre-School Director, Mt. Airy
- 10 Faye Dickard, wife of DOM
- 10 Michael Shafran, Pastor, Mt. Moriah
- 14 Donna Brock, wife of Min. of Education, Brushy Creek
- 14 Christy Bridges, wife of Pastor, Powdersville First
- 18 Harold Sanders, Pastor, Wren
- 18 Dave Shorter, Pastor, Calvary Hill
- 25 James Wiles, Pastor, Hunt's Memorial
- 26 Stacey Campbell, wife of Pastor, Mt. Pisgah

**Staff Anniversaries:**

- 2015 - Josh Gibson, Minister to Students, Rock Springs
- 2019 - Joshua Hughes, Pastor, East Side
- 2020 - Justin Dutton, Minister of Youth, East Side



PBA News

**East Side** is seeking a part-time worship leader. If interested, email [charldondennis@gmail.com](mailto:charldondennis@gmail.com).

**Liberty First** is seeking a part-time Ministry Assistant (20 hours per week). Contact Rev. Mark Kannarney by email: [pastormark@firstbaptistliberty.com](mailto:pastormark@firstbaptistliberty.com) or by phone - 864-843-6131 if interested.

**Pastor/Staff Lunch**

Tuesday, February 8th, 11:30am,  
Silver Bay.



**Focus Week  
February 14-20**

**Ministry Assistants to Meet**

Tuesday, February 8th, Noon at the  
PBA Office.



Lunch will be provided but I need to know how many to plan for. Please email [joyce@piedmontbaptist.com](mailto:joyce@piedmontbaptist.com) or call 859-9906.