

# January 2018

# **REFLECTIONS**

Hard-working crew at the Ocean City Dinner



Youth Movie Night



Wanda and volunteers preparing shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child



Wrapping gifts at Salisbury Elementary School



#### **OUR MISSION STATEMENT**

We exalt God above all by evangelizing, equipping and embracing all nations.



You are invited to join us for breakfast the first Sunday of every month at

9:15 in the Fellowship Hall. Our next social will be on January 7, hosted by the Youth and Children's classes. Come – enjoy fellowship around the table and then the Word.

#### **COFFEE FELLOWSHIP**

We have coffee in the Fellowship Hall before Sunday School <u>every</u> Sunday morning. Join us for fellowship.

# GREETERSINISCHEDULE

#### **JANUARY**

Tommy Jarrett Judy Myers Liz Rosenberg (west) Kat Reeves (east) Alonia Rovinson (south)

NOTE: Feel free to change doors assigned. Thisway you may meet new or old friends!!!

## WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER MENUS FOR JANUARY

Be sure to sign up for the dinners. If you enjoy the desserts, please sign up on the sheet provided. Also, sign up to help with cleanup.

Jan. 3 – Ham, Mac & Cheese, Veg. medley

10 – Chicken Alfredo, peas

17 – Beef stew, green beans

24 – Spaghetti, garden salad

31 – Pork tend., au gratin pot., greens

#### **BROTHERHOOD**

The Brotherhood will meet for breakfast and fellowship on Saturday, January 13, at 8:45.

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## \*\*\* WMU NEWS \*\*\*

#### **GLOBAL HUNGER RELIEF**

(Bread Banks)

A new year is here and the hunger needs of the world continue to move our hearts to collectively meet the challenge ahead.

The RAs, GAs and WMU want to remind you that the first collection date for this year is January 14. Please place the banks in the basket provided in the sanctuary. May God richly bless the givers and those in need of hunger relief..

#### **LIAISONS**

We are in need of liaisons for both our partnership with East Salisbury and a new connection that we are trying to establish with the Christian Shelter. If interested, call the office.

#### MALI PEOPLE

Continue to keep the Mali people group in your prayers. Seeds are being sown but need to grow. Some growth is seen but needs to be watered.

#### **LOTTIE MOON**

Your gifts transform lives around the world. There are over 2.8 billion people who have never heard the Gospel Message. But, together through the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, we can harness every dollar possible to reach them.

The International Mission Board has partnered with Southern Baptists to send over 3,500 missionaries all over the world—even those reached only on foot, boat or horseback.

Be in prayer about your part in achieving our goal of \$7,700. Every penny goes directly to the expenses of keeping our missionaries on the fields. May the Lord richly bless our prayers and offerings. As of this writing, we are about 3/4 of the way to reaching our goal.

#### LADIES BREAKFAST

We send a big thank you to Sarah Morgan for her wonderful sharing at our ladies breakfast held in December of how God is using her and James in Nepal. We had a wonderful turnout, good food, and a great time of fellowship basking in God's presence.





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Pray for James and Sarah as they are stateside, that they enjoy their visit to the states and that God's work continues in their absence.

#### **CONTRIBUTIONS**

Your 2018 contribution envelopes are in your mailboxes. If you do not receive envelopes but would like to or if you have any questions, see Judy Harris.

#### **2018 BUDGET**

The budget was discussed at a meeting on November 29. It was voted on and approved December 3 during morning worship.



We extend our deepest sympathy to Sylvia and Walt Scarborough in the death of her step-dad, J. R. Hessler, who passed away on

Saturday, December 9. Our love and prayers are with you.

#### **NEW ADDRESS**

Norma Lee Carr Delmar Villa 31093 East Line Rd. Delmar, MD 21875



## PSALM 19 – FOCUS OF NEW STUDY

The power of God's Word and its ability to comfort the souls of believers is examined in the new discipleship course scheduled to begin on January 3, 2018. The basis for the study is Psalm 119, the longest chapter in the Bible with 176 verses. The material in the course will show that even the most mature believers face times when God feels distant, His Word dry, and the intimacy they experienced with Him before seems absent.

#### 4 The VOICE of Immanuel

In the course titled "Psalm 119," Pastor Matt Chandler introduces participants to the words of King David, who faced similar seasons of life. The Psalm demonstrates the power of God's Word in the lives of His people.

Matt Chandler, teacher for the 10-week study, is pastor at the Village Church in Texas. He also is one of the primary leaders of the church-planting group titled "Acts 29" and is a prolific writer. He was the teacher of an earlier course offered in the discipleship series at Immanuel, titled "The Explicit Gospel."

Starting time for each of the sessions will be 6:15 p.m., following the Wednesday evening dinners.



Congratulations to Herbert and Esther Nyoni on the birth of Rehema Loise on Friday, December 8, weighing 7 lbs. 12 oz. She was welcomed home by big sisters, Elinah and Tafadzwa.

#### YOUTH REBOOT

Keep our teens in your prayers as they prepare to attend Reboot Camp the weekend of January 5-7.

#### **MISSION NEWS**

The Missions team has planned a Potluck Dinner with James and Sarah Morgan on Sunday, January 14, at 5:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to spend some time with our own missionaries, James and Sarah. The Hospitality team will provide the baked ham and asks that everyone else bring a side dish or dessert.

Please pray for our mission partners this month. Laurel and Paul Morgan are on holiday in Uganda with our members, Martha and Quinn, for some

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family time. Ask God for safe travel, good health and a joyful time for everyone!

English Second Language classes meet at Providence and here at Immanuel on Wednesday morning for Bible study. We thank God for opportunities to share the Gospel with students and families. We trust God and pray with hope and expectation for this New Year.



### **JANUARY**

- 4 Robyn Dozier
- 12 Barbara Brittingham
- 13 Brian Shockley
- 15 Carolyn Aurelio Zenden Wieland
- 17 Rose Shahid
- 18 Sara Baranowski
- 20 Bill Nibblett
- 23 Edward Dohr
- 27 Gerald Christiana
- 28 Isabell Banks
- 30 Bryan Powell

# GET THE MOST FROM THE COMING YEAR

To get the most out of the coming year, we must put the most into it; and we put the most into it by living in a spirit of earnestness, not trifling with the golden hours, but receiving each as a precious gift from God. Only such earnest purpose makes the day a blessing, insures progress from good to better, and causes us to live in eternity while we are in time.



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