



# The Barnesville Lantern

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*Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path (Psalm 119:105).*

## The Pastor's Spotlight

*"God is faithful, who has called you into fellowship with his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord" (I Corinthians 1:9).*

As believers in Jesus Christ, 2019 should bring excitement and anticipation of the Lord's ministry to us and to others through us. We all need to remember that we are all co-laborers together with God. Because God loves us, we can expect His encouragement and grace in every relationship, in every circumstance, in every problem, in every sorrow, and in every joy and new opportunity throughout the coming new year. His amazing grace not only provides for our new relationship with God, but is a constant source of hope and courage as we face the ups and downs of life. His grace will provide strength to help us do and say the things that He has planned for us to do for His glory. As we all move forward this new year in God's plan we will be challenged and we will be attacked by Satan, but with the strength of the Lord we all will be victorious. Remember that *"we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do"* (Ephesians 2:10).

There will be events and challenges in 2019 that may shake our faith in God. If God's love, grace, strength, and power become hidden from you by clouds of misfortune or confusion, remember that you are God's own special creation and that He will never leave you nor forsake you. Jesus will never let the smallest lamb out of His sight. Spend time in prayer with Him and be strengthened for every day's demands. *"Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know"* (Jeremiah 33:3).

Cindy & I want to thank everyone for their Christmas cards and gifts; we are blessed to be part of the family of God here at BBC. Happy New Year to all!



God Bless,

Pastor Danny

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## Upcoming Events

- January 1** New Year's Day
- January 2** Business Meeting
- January 12** "I Can Only Imagine" Movie & Dinner
- January 18** Lunch with Watkins Cabinet
- January 19** Baptist Men's Meeting
- January 20** Baptist Men's Day Breakfast & Service



*"Let them praise His name with the dance; let them sing praises to Him with the timbrel and harp" (Psalm 149:3).*

## The Pew Perspective

Lee Michael

It seems like I just wrote a year-in-review column for 2017, and now the year 2018 has already gone on its way. Time flies when we are having fun and when we are serving our Lord (or is that the same thing)? Here are some of the more interesting and important Church news headlines from the past 12 months:

January: Baptist Men's Day celebrated with singer Doug Fetty, security cameras installed

February: passing of Flora Gilliam, Love Our Seniors luncheon served, kids enjoyed duckpin bowling

March: separate Youth and Children's ministries stood up, Good Friday service featured dramatic reading

April: Easter celebrated with "Calvary's Love" cantata and bell choir performance, Pastor Danny preached Easter sunrise service atop Sugarloaf Mountain, kids played bingo

May: It rained a lot, Michael Mattar preached and Damascus Road Trio sang at spring revival, BBQ lunch served at Rockville homeless shelter, sanctuary painted, one baptized

June: It kept raining, church picnic held, three attend Southern Baptist Convention in Dallas, TX, new steps installed

July: It was still raining, kids enjoyed Game On! VBS and swimming in creek, new parking lot gravel laid down

August: So much rain, LT Tyler sang, Bibles given away at county fair, kids swim, two baptized

September: Couldn't make it stop raining, Pig Pickin' went international with Ghanaian and Thai churches

October: Even more rain, Pastor Danny preached at MBA revival meeting, men enjoy Beast Feast, youth and families took on Summers Farm corn maze, 2018-2020 officers elected, two new members joined

November: Rain didn't stop, youth and families enjoyed hayride to Sugarloaf and bonfire fellowships

December: Rain records washed away, Christmas celebrated with bell choir performance and Christmas cantata starring children, BBC adopted 40 kids for Northeast Baptist gift-giving, one new member joined

God has certainly blessed BBC in the past year with many opportunities to engage in discipleship, evangelism, fellowship, ministry, and worship. As we look forward to 2019, it is exciting to imagine the possibilities the Lord has in store for us as we seek to serve Him in this new year.

*"I will make them and the places all around My hill a blessing; and I will cause showers to come down in their season; there shall be showers of blessing" (Ezekiel 34:26).*

## Biblical Instruments & Musicians Scramble

Can you place these biblical instruments and musicians with their descriptions? Answers are on the bottom of page 3, column 2.

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|--------------|---|
| 1. Asaph     | A. chestnuts that were beaten together          |
| 2. Benaiah   | B. hollowed, curved horn                        |
| 3. castanets | C. made from ram or goat horn                   |
| 4. Chenaniah | D. five strings stretched across frame          |
| 5. coronet   | E. song leader in King David's time             |
| 6. cymbals   | F. conclave plates of brass                     |
| 7. drum      | G. 10-stringed instrument like a harp           |
| 8. dulcimer  | H. resonance box with strings                   |
| 9. Ethan     | I. author of <i>Psalms 88</i>                   |
| 10. flute    | J. bottle-shaped string instrument              |
| 11. harp     | K. portable harp-like instrument                |
| 12. Heman    | L. wooden hoop with skin across frame           |
| 13. Jeduthun | M. one of King David's chief musicians          |
| 14. Jeiel    | N. straight pipe with holes                     |
| 15. lyre     | O. reed instrument made of wood, ivory, or bone |
| 16. organ    | P. one of King David's trumpeters               |
| 17. psaltery | Q. author of <i>Psalms 50, 73-83</i>            |
| 18. sackbut  | R. played stringed instruments and harps        |
| 19. trumpet  | S. made of wood with 10 strings                 |
| 20. zither   | T. author of <i>Psalms 89</i>                   |

## Biblical Instruments & Musicians Word Search

S L R D R B B Q D M B L D V Y T B  
T V Z J Y M J L J D R L G L N N B  
E O R G A N D N P S N J Y R X Y R  
N C Y M B A L S J Z A N L R J V Z  
A N Q D R K A G T E D C A W M K L  
T W L Q L L B N L R D Z K H L Z N  
S N M G T J Y M A E U U Q B T W Q  
A T T E N O R O C M I M T R U E T  
C Q R T M R T D C I E E P H X T Z  
B Y L U L M J H B C B H J E U X D  
D Z R L Y N E V Z L W E R V T N V  
P D R F N N P D N U Z E N J M V N  
H P A S A E N G T D H B H A R P P  
R D J N R N M Y B T Z N T V I N X  
M B I Y L B N T I L G J X D R A N  
J A L M R Y G Z M Z B R D M L D H  
H R M D L P R J Q Y D T Y G T D R

Word Bank: Asaph, Benaiah, castanets, Chenaniah, coronet, cymbals, drum, dulcimer, Ethan, flute, harp, Heman, Jeduthun, Jeiel, lyre, organ, psaltery, sackbut, trumpet, zither

## January Birthdays

- 1** Jack Cooley
- 6** Zain Malik
- 8** Hannah Leibrand
- 10** Lois Hogue
- 11** Jesse Yates
- 15** Sara Oden
- 19** Joe Connelly Jr.
- 22** Leslie Foster
- 24** Dennis Bryson



## Prayer Concerns

Ashlinn Cole  
John Beach  
Linda Roberts  
Nick Cole  
Paul Fields  
the men & women of the Upper Montgomery Co. V.F.D.  
Seniors: Gene Bennett, Hisle Beach, Teresa Gardner, Janet Magruder, Jo Blalock, June Luhn, Arlene Luhn, Bilyie Luhn, Margie Stream, Ollie Baumbaugh, Paul & Trudy Meissner, Rebecca Umstead, Susan Rice, Phoebe Rogers, June (Cole) Houseknecht  
Cancer patients: Pauline Fowler, Gail Palestine, Charlie Driver, Cathy Rockenhauser, Dennis Oden  
Our missionary friends Matt & Ellen Zell (Honduras)



*"The LORD is righteous in all His ways,  
Gracious in all His works.  
The LORD is near to all who call upon Him,  
To all who call upon Him in truth.  
He will fulfill the desire of those who fear Him;  
He also will hear their cry and save them"*  
(Psalm 145:17-19).

## Business Meeting Briefs

*Report from the Monthly Business Meeting in December:*

- The Church accepted the Finance Committee's motion to approve its 2019 Budget proposal.
- The Church approved the membership application of Teresa Gardner, who came by statement.

*Expected at the January Business Meeting:*

- The Treasurer will submit his Annual Report on the 2018 fiscal year.
- The Pastor will appoint the Deacons to serve as the Select Committee on Auditing, which will review the 2018 finances and report at the March Business Meeting.

## COTCD Cartoon



## Biblical Instruments & Musicians Scramble Answers

- 1. Q** (I Chronicles 6:39); **2. P** (I Chronicles 16:6); **3. A** (Psalm 150:5); **4. E** (I Chronicles 15:22); **5. B** (Psalm 98:6); **6. F** (II Samuel 6:5); **7. L** (Exodus 15:20); **8. H** (Daniel 3:5); **9. T** (I Chronicles 16:41); **10. N** (Judges 5:16); **11. S** (Genesis 4:21); **12. I** (I Chronicles 6:33); **13. M** (I Chronicles 16:41-42); **14. R** (I Chronicles 16:5); **15. D** (I Samuel 16:23); **16. O** (Job 21:12); **17. J** (Psalm 71:22); **18. K** (Daniel 3:7); **19. C** (Numbers 10:1-10); **20. G** (Psalm 33:2).

## News You Can Use

**Christmas activities.** The month of December was packed with times of worship and fellowship to celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, beginning with the annual



Christmas Party at St. Mary's Pavilion on Sunday, Dec. 9. Thanks to Gary & Jan Burdette, Luke & Lisa Fedders, Tina Appleton, and Cindy Moore for organizing the meal and games.

On Sunday, Dec. 16, Pastor Danny & Cindy hosted a parsonage open house for over 70. The BBC Children's Ministry celebrated a birthday party for Jesus on Dec. 23. Thanks to all those who helped Northeast Baptist give Christmas gifts to 40 children. The month-long celebration concluded with a candlelight service on Christmas Eve.

**Baptist Men and WMU.** Consider joining the men's or women's groups this coming year. The WMU gathers on the second Monday morning of each month and the Baptist Men meet every third Saturday for breakfast. Baptist Men's Day 2019 will start with the men cooking breakfast for the church on Sunday, Jan. 20. Join the men at 8:30 am for a buffet of pancakes, eggs, and other good food. The men will then lead the morning service, to include the annual singing performance of the MOB: Men of Barnesville choir. Rev. Michael Mattar will be the guest speaker.



*The Baptist Men preparing Christmas gift bags for the BBC kids at their Dec. 2018 meeting*

**Choirs, actors celebrate Christmas.** The Bell Choir, under the direction of Ann Bennett, skillfully performed three tunes on Sunday, Dec. 10. The children's acting and singing during the Dec. 16 cantata was a smash hit. Thanks to directors Cindy



Moore, Megan Fedders, and Kim Ghaner for working with our junior angels, sheep, and shepherds.

Thanks also to the Choir, led by Paul Foster, for its excellent vocal and video presentation. If you like to sing or ring, or would like to try, please consider joining these groups. The Choir re-starts practices on Tuesdays at 7:00 pm as of Jan. 8. On Jan. 17, the Bell Choir will start practicing Easter music on Thursdays at 7:00 pm.

**Birthday updates requested.** The *Lantern* enjoys sharing members' and friends' birthdays with the Church family. Please help us keep our records current by contacting the Church office with any names and dates we may lack, especially if you started attending within the last year.

**Lottie Moon offering.** Gifts received for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering stand at \$900, which is 45% of our 2018 goal of \$2,000; the national goal is \$160 million. Together, we and the International Mission Board (IMB) are able to send out more than 4,000 missionaries to share the Gospel all over the world. Last year, IMB missionaries engaged 811 people groups, planted over 12,000 churches and baptized more than 46,000 people. Please pray about a sacrificial gift for foreign missions.

**Movie night.** BBC will show the movie "I Can Only Imagine" in the Fellowship Hall on Friday, Jan. 29, preceded by a pizza dinner at 6:00 pm. Invite your family and friends to come to this free event. The movie tells the story of Bart Millard's troubled childhood and mended relationship with his dad that inspired Bart to write the hit song "I Can Only Imagine" as singer of the Christian band MercyMe.

**Go paperless in 2019.** BBC offers the *Lantern* in electronic (and in color) format to those would prefer such an option instead of a copy sent by mail. If you would like to receive a monthly email with a link to the *Lantern*, please send an email to our masthead address. Those who wish to continue receiving a paper copy of the *Lantern* will continue to receive one; no further action is required.

**Snow policy.** As we enter the season of snow and ice, we urge all our members and visitors to exercise caution and good judgment in deciding whether or not it is safe for your family to travel on a given Sunday. Services will be held for anyone who can safely travel during inclement weather. A BBC local weather/road condition message will be posted on Facebook as well as emailed. We ask that Sunday School teachers and other leaders call in their absences to the Church office as soon as possible.

**Christmas poinsettias.** Flowers were donated by the following in memory of loved ones: Gary & Jan Burdette (Lloyd & Helen Burdette and Bob & Margery Lillard); Jack & Kitty Cooley (Jack & Nellie Cooley and Carson & Dorothy Ward); David & Ann Bennett (Carroll & Laura Bennett and Jean Noland); Dot Fowler & family (Charles Fowler and Dot's parents); Barbara Swank (Doug Swank, Dean Swank, and Annie Cooley); Sherri Morrison (Bill Morrison and Mary Mossburg); Janet Magruder & family (Dick Magruder); and Luke & Lisa Fedders & family (Doug Cooley). Thanks to Dan & Shirley Yates for donating the new nativity set in the baptistry.

