

## DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- (1) CRYSTAL EWTON
- (3) SHANA BRADY
- (4) CARSON DeBORD
- (4) DAVID BRADY
- (5) WADE GRAHAM
- (8) ALLIE BRADY
- (11) CORLEW BOYD
- (12) LOGAN BURDETTE
- (12) KERRY HOLLIS
- (13) JENNIFER DAVIS FOSHEE
- (13) GINNY GRACE BAILEY
- (15) MOLLY DAVIS
- (18) CADEN SWANGER
- (20) CAROLYN HATFIELD
- (20) JADA LAND
- (20) JAMES McCLAIN
- (22) TAMMY CLAYTON
- (30) DANIELLE SHOEMATE
- (30) TONY BOSTON
- (30) C. J. DAVIS

## DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- (1) LYNN AND JOYCE LAYNE (8 yr.)
- (11) GERALD AND JANET LAND (51 yrs.)
- (11) BEN AND LINDA MCCOY (57 yrs.)
- (20) ROBERT AND LINDA TURNER (53 yrs.)
- (20) JIM AND JANIS DEARMAN (53 Yrs.)
- (23) JOHN AND ANN COOLEY (61 yrs.)

## DECEMBER

Lock the Building.....???

Prepare the Communion....Roger & Carolyn

Pick-up Cups.....McCoy Family

Van Driver.....???

## Church of Christ

**P. O. Box 206  
Dunlap, Tn. 37327**

*See You at The Worship Service  
With Your Bible*

### Sunday

9:30 A.M. Bible Study  
10:30 A.M. Morning Service  
6:00 P.M. Evening Service

### Wednesday

6:30 P.M. Bible Study  
**Men Who Serve**

### Elders:

Tony Boston 949-5065  
Freddie Clayton 718-5806  
Jim Dearman 762-9526  
Al Simmons 949-7121

### Deacons:

Wiley Boston, Daniel Boyd  
Cole Crabtree, C. J. Davis,  
Robert Farmer, Wes Grace  
Tim Layman, Benny McCoy,  
Lanny Smith, Bobby Von Rohr

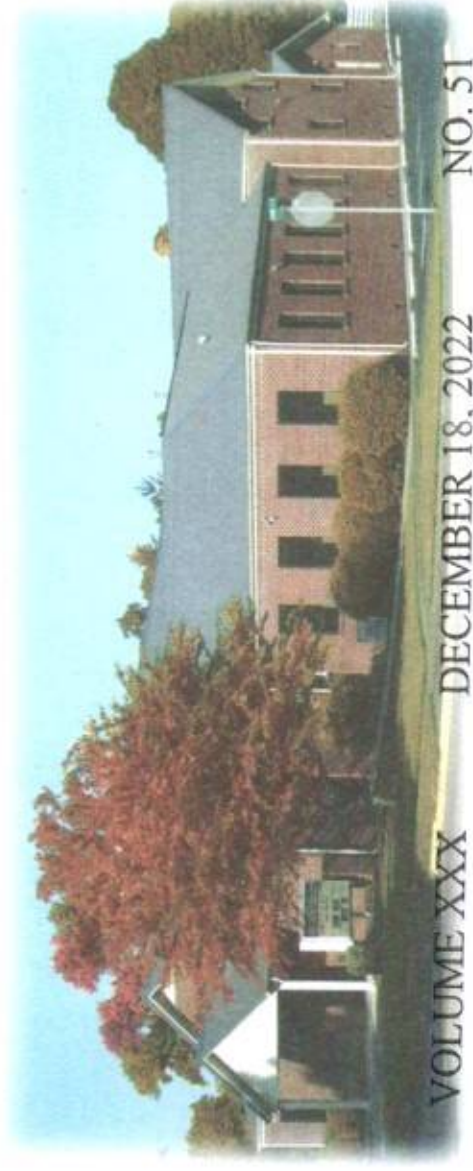
### Preacher:

Freddie Clayton  
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*IF the world is to be  
won for Christ...*



*I must do my part!*

*I am only one  
But still I am one.  
I cannot do everything  
But still I can do something*

*And because I cannot do everything*

*I will not refuse to do the something that I can do!*



## THE RECORD

<b>Sunday School</b>	<b>99</b>
<b>Worship</b>	<b>128</b>
<b>Contribution</b>	<b>\$4,602</b>
<b>Sunday Night</b>	<b>123</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>81</b>

### Sick/Shut-In

Jerry Douglas – cornea surgery scheduled for December 21<sup>st</sup>.  
Tim Layman - fell, hurt elbow, better  
Wiley Boston – Soddy Daisy Nursing Home for therapy  
Darren Clayton – diagnosed with MS  
Goldie Crabtree – heart, has second  
Opinion, deciding on treatment  
Lebron James – stunts in legs, coworker  
Of Bobby VonRohr  
Baylee Bowman - Having health issues  
Janie Smith – home with Hospice,  
No visitors please  
Stacey Southard – recovering from an abrasion procedure, niece of  
Trish Boston & Tammy Layman  
Perry Swafford – home, doing well  
Barry Newman – Cancer, Brother of  
Trish Boston's co-worker  
Channing Ashbaugh – Health Issues  
Delanie Clayton – Home, recovering from surgery  
Dan Ewton – Home - more test  
Tish Clarke – therapy then surgery,  
wife of B.J. Clarke  
Hudson Merchant – home, doing well  
Charline Johnson – home  
Sandy Haston – health issues, Trish & Tammy's sister  
Jarrot Flynn – cancer surgery, nephew  
Of Donna Kustes, Tammy Layman's Co-Worker

Tennie Higdon – diagnosed with CLL

Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia,

Doing well

Grover Skyles –cancer,

Mary Ann Boston –home, heart issues

Tony Boston's sister

Jim Long – home, Greg Long's dad

David Cole – therapy, doing better NHC,

Rm 306, Wilma Mabry's son-in-law,

Cards only, No visits please

Kenneth Cunningham – having health

issues Charline Johnson's neighbor

Freddie Layman –Tim Layman's brother

Clinton Miller - Home

Wanda Hennessee – Home

Jerry Cole –He is doing ok. Dana's Uncle

Mickey Holloway – health care center

Soddy Daisy

Minnie Lee Deakins -

### Nursing Home -

Dessie Green – Valley View Senior Living

Whitwell, Rm 132

David Cole – NHC, Rm 306, no visits

Cards only, Wilma's Son-in-Law

## NOTE

The Bulletin is available on the

Website: [www.dumlapoc.org](http://www.dumlapoc.org).

## Happy Holidays!

The popular song says, "It's the most wonderful time of the year." For Christians, every day is a day that the Lord has made, so we should rejoice and be glad in it (Psalm 118:24). Still, around Christmas there seems to be more families together, more smiles, more hugs, and more "I love you's." This is a good thing.

There are some who are concerned about "X-mas," about taking "Christ" out of Christmas. Along the same line, some are concerned that by saying "Happy Holidays" society is taking Christ and Christmas away altogether.

At the other end of the pendulum are those who say that it is "unscriptural" to celebrate Christmas at all, and that it adds to the Bible and gives children and adults a perverted view of Christ, Saint Nicholas, etc.

You may have noticed that the things above are all based in songs written by men and what "some have said." None of it is from a "Thus says the Lord..." What light can God's word shine on this topic?

**#1 In matters of religion and worship, God's word must be followed.** Our worship must be in spirit and in truth (John 4:23-24). What God has spoken man must not pervert, alter, or twist (II Peter 3:16; Revelation 22:18-19). This is why we do not have "Christmas pageants or plays" in worship, not can we replace worship with such. Also, man cannot create a holy day. Only God can make a day holy. December 25<sup>th</sup> has not been so designated by God.

**#2 In matters of holidays (non-religious observances) each person may make their own decisions.** Romans 14:5 says, "One person esteems one day above another, another esteems every day alike. Let each be fully convinced in his own mind." In other words, there is no right or wrong...concerning observing days as holidays.

**#3 We must not draw lines of division in these matters of opinion.** In the previous verse it says, "Who are you to judge another's servant? To his own master he stands of falls." If two people have different opinions concerning weather or not to observe the Christmas holiday, neither should look down on the other. Romans 14:10 says, "But why do you judge your brother? Or why do you show contempt for your brother? For we shall all stand before the judgment seat of Christ."

God has not designated Christians as "the Christmas police." In verses 12 and 13 of this same passage, Paul writes, "So then each of us shall give account of himself to God. Therefore let us not judge one another anymore, but rather resolve this, not to put a stumbling block or a cause to fail in our brother's way."

Christians are divinely designated as the "Do-Gooders," and the "Love Spreaders" (Matthew 7:12; Galatians 6:10; Matthew 22:39).

-Steve Vice-



**No CCM Team Meetings until the first of the year.**  
**Names for cards can still be submitted in the appropriate place downstairs.**

**Funeral Home Teams** – Team # 2 (Team Leader, Mika Davis). Ladies on the teams will be notified by the team leader when and where to provide food

**Starting this month we will be adding Pantry Items needed to stock the pantry.**  
**This month is – Bleach & Laundry Detergent.**

**Send A Card**

Janie King, 438 Cherry Street, Dunlap, TN 37327  
Mickey Holloway, Soddy Daisy Health Care Center, 701 Sequoyah Rd, Rm. 120, Soddy Daisy, TN 37379  
Phone #: 423-332-0060 (Please add this facility address to your directory)  
Clinton Miller – 1225 Coke Bowman Rd, Soddy Daisy, TN 37379  
Kretzmeier, Grant, Allen 5400  
527 I Avenue Unit 251  
Sheppard AFB, TX 76311

**WATCH IT!**

Sunday morning broadcasts available;  
6 AM – International Gospel Hour, Channel 53 WFLI  
6 AM – The Gospel of Christ with Ben Bailey Channel 61 FOX  
6:30 AM – Good News Today, Channel 53 WFLI  
7 AM – In Search of the Lord's Way, Channel 12

**OUR SCHEDULED EVENTS,**

**Mark your Calendars**

**Holiday Card Exchange, Deadline is noon today.**

**Tonight, after evening service – Fruit Baskets & Finger Foods.**

**Special THANKS!**

We would like to thank everyone involved with making the following events a success.

Progressive Dinner, 50 and older  
Finger Food Fellowship & Games, 65 and older  
Holiday Fun and Games, Ages 5<sup>th</sup> grade and under  
Youth Lock-In, Ages 5<sup>th</sup> grade and up  
Holiday Card Swap  
Fruit Baskets & Finger Foods

**NOTE: If you have an announcement that you want announced from the pulpit. Please write it down on the form provided in the foyer prior to class or worship.**