



# The Cornerstone

I Peter 2:6

Growing God's Kingdom Associationally

## Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

**Together.**

We are able to do so much more together,  
than if we were chasing this vision alone.

### LOTTIE MOON INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS

**EMPHASIS...** Takes place November 30th—December 7th along with the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. One hundred percent of this offering goes to place missionaries across the world to proclaim the Gospel. It is a sad fact that our International Missions Board has missionaries being delayed entering the mission field until our offerings can support them. Indeed, while there are plenty of wonderful

mission organizations to support, may we be faithful to our SBC efforts, first. As usual, a thumb drive with stirring videos and other resources will be provided to Pastors and churches. Drop by KBA and pick yours up today! Ron has also emailed Pastors the IMB link for them to download their own resources. Happy Holy Days!

**THE INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS STUDY...** Was a huge success! We have had several calls about getting a copy of the presentation. If you would like a copy, please call the KBA office and we will be happy to put it on a thumb drive for you!

**RESTORE MARRIAGE RETREAT...** For ministry couples will take place at Sonesta Resort, Hilton Head, February 26-28, 2026. Provided by the SC Baptist Convention. You can register by going to their website at [www.scbaptist.org/events/restore](http://www.scbaptist.org/events/restore). We hope you will return to your church restored and ready to serve the Lord and his people. (If funds are an issue, please contact Ron. It will be kept highly confidential).



**THE FENCE AT KBA...** As you may have seen passing by, we now have our fence installed around the property due to recent theft. The gates will be open during office hours. **HOWEVER**, the use of the inflatables trailer has changed. Due to putting the fence up, you will now have to back the trailer up into the building when returned. The rear doors of the building are no longer accessible. We highly recommend that you have a second person to help direct the trailer.



**KBA OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED...** As always, for Christmas week. Please get your printing needs or other need for resources to us prior to that. We wish you and your family a Merry Christmas.

## Missions—Local / State / National / World



**KBA EXECUTIVE MEETING...** Will take place on Tuesday, January 20th here at the Mission Center. Our updated Constitution and By-Laws will be discussed, among other items of business.

**KERSHAW COUNTY SCHOOL MINISTRIES ...** is a program begun in October 2025 allowing students from KC schools to leave campus and receive Bible instruction during the school day. Currently, Camden Middle School students are participating, but the plan is to extend this to other Kershaw County schools in the fall of 2026. Since advertising for this program cannot be done in or through the schools, it will rely on word of mouth. Churches, youth leaders, and parents in our Association, please spread the word. Students will need to begin signing up in spring 2026. Volunteers for all related roles are also needed. You can learn more at [schoolministries.org](http://schoolministries.org), [kcschoolministries@gmail.com](mailto:kcschoolministries@gmail.com) or call 803-660-7303.



**THE PASTOR'S RETREAT CABIN ...** on the beautiful grounds of Lake Wateree Baptist Church, Ridgeway, is taking shape and will be useable for Pastors/ Staff & families around the first of the year. This has been an extended and costly effort between Lake Wateree Baptist Church, the SC Baptist Convention and KBA. Then again, Our Pastors/staff and families are worth it!

**OUR MISSION PARTNERSHIP WITH SPAIN...** Is now even stronger since our last team returned. A team from Redemption Church has recently returned from a trip. The IMB team in Madrid is trying to locate rental homes in Segovia for two couples who want to plant an evangelical church there. KBA wants to send a team there when God makes His timing known, so speak with Ron about this if you are led. We would especially like to have a vision trip in the near future for Pastors...late spring? Pastors, are you game?



If you want to learn more about missions in Spain, invite Ron and Paulette to come out to your prayer meeting or missions meeting and share pictures and information!



**KBA DISASTER RELIEF UNIT... Trucks Needed...**Our Disaster Relief Team needs a few volunteers who own a half ton truck with a V-8, if not larger. You are needed to help pull our DR trailers to various locations that you can be called out to. Please contact David Keisler at 803-427-3776 or the KBA office 803-432-3028 for more details.

Buffalo Baptist Church will hold a vendor event on December 6 from 10-3 PM at the ministry center. The address is 6390 Lockhart Road in Kershaw. Vendors will need to call and reserve a space; the fee is \$25. Also, a small gift will need to be provided to give away. All funds will benefit our Mother's Day/Father's Day banquet that is held each year. Please note that all tables in the ministry center are round. Please contact Lynn Tolbert at (803-475-4116) or Amy Robinson (803-416-7029) to secure your space.

**A DEACON ON PURPOSE, 4 ESSENTIALS' TRAINING...** Led by Dr. Tony Wolfe, Executive Director-Treasurer of the SCBC, will take place Saturday, February 21st. Pastors, please share this information with your deacons. Deacons, mark your calendar now! More information will come!



**HANDS ON MOBILE TRAINING...** Antioch Baptist Church will be hosting a CPR and AED training on December 11th at 9 am in the fellowship hall. Class will last around two hours. The cost for the training is \$40.00 per person. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Scott at 803-669-6909 or email him at [handsonmobileed2023@gmail.com](mailto:handsonmobileed2023@gmail.com). Address for the church is: 1875 Antioch Rd, Camden.



**PASTORS CONFERENCE:** Will be held on December 11th at 11 am. We will gather together at Malvern Hill Baptist Church in the fellowship hall.

**BETTER HALVES**

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**PRAY FOR OUR CHURCHES WITHOUT PASTORS...** Beaverdam, Flint Hill, Mt. Zion, Oak Ridge, Springvale, Timrod and Wateree.

~If you have an event you would like to publicize in the newsletter, please send us the information and we will do our best to help make it happen if there is space.

Family Movie Night  
**THE POLAR EXPRESS**

Sunday, December 14  
6:00 PM

Bring your blankets and your chairs, and join us for this FREE outdoor movie night. Come early to get your spot and your snacks. The movie begins at 6:00 PM.

Malvern Hill Baptist Church  
1514 Malvern Hill Drive  
Camden, SC  
803-432-7035  
[malvernhill.org](http://malvernhill.org)

Malvern Hill Baptist Christmas Candlelight Service on Sunday, December 22 at 6 pm.

Christmas Eve Service ~ 4 pm



**THE HOLY NIGHT**

**“A LIVE OUTDOOR EXPERIENCE”**

Come sing along to the Christmas songs that we all know and love with our opening act – the dueling pianos

**CHRISTMAS KEYBOARDS**

Then as we sit on a bale of hay, we will see the story of Jesus’s birth come alive. Dress for the weather and bring a blanket to enjoy your evening with a cup of hot chocolate and popcorn.

Saturday, December 6 at 6 pm  
Sandhill Heights Baptist Church  
2992 Bowen Street, Elgin, SC

# December

1-7 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering  
2-Prisoner Packets being delivered  
6-Live Nativity at Sandhill Heights 6 pm  
6-Buffalo Vendor Event  
6-Family Movie Night ~ Malvern Hill 6 pm  
11-CPR & AED Training ~ Antioch Baptist 9 am  
11-Pastors Conference 11 am at Malvern Hill  
22-26 KBA Closed  
22-Candlelight Service 6 pm at Malvern Hill  
24-Christmas Eve Service 4 pm at Malvern Hill  
January 1 ~ KBA Closed



*Happy  
Birthday!*

## **December Birthdays:**

05 Steve Lee, Mt. Olivet  
05 Matthew Dickerson, Shamrock  
22 Doug Huntsinger, Lugoff First  
24 Evan Smith, Refuge  
29 Rus McDonald, Pisgah



## **December Wedding Anniversaries:**

08 David and Allyson Brannen, Emmanuel  
16 Wyman and Roni Richardson, Camden First

## **Counseling/Refreshing Resources...**

**Firm Foundations Counseling**—Lugoff, SC  
803-708-0902

**The Christian Counseling Center**—  
803-779-1995 or [www.christiancounseling.ws](http://www.christiancounseling.ws)

**Teen Challenge**—Rev. Wayne Powell, Georgetown, SC  
843-520-4888

**The Good Samaritan Colony**—Addiction Rehab, Ruby, SC  
843-634-6848

**Shade Tree Ministry**—Refresher for ministry leaders and spouses, [www.shadetreeministry.org](http://www.shadetreeministry.org)

**Hope for Life Pregnancy Center**— Jennifer Johns 803-900-5647  
[hopeforlifepregnancycenter.com](http://hopeforlifepregnancycenter.com)

**Camp McCall Pastor's Retreat House**— Phillip "Snoball" Jewell, 864-884-6926 [phillipjewell@scbaptist.org](mailto:phillipjewell@scbaptist.org)

**Blue Horizons Counseling Service**—Mary Mathis, Camden, SC  
803-669-0658

**AK Butler Counseling**—Anna Katherine Butler, Camden, SC  
130 E. Dekalb St. [www.butlerlpc.com](http://www.butlerlpc.com)

**Palmetto Counseling Associates**—Dr. Bill Rogers  
803-254-9767, Columbia, SC. [www.palmettocounseling.com](http://www.palmettocounseling.com)

**Isaiah 7:14** Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel.

**Isaiah 9:6** For unto us a Child is born, Unto us a Son is given; And the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

**Matthew 1:18-25** Now the birth of Jesus Christ was as follows: After His mother Mary was betrothed to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Spirit. Then Joseph her husband being a just man, and not wanting to make her a public example, was minded to put her away secretly. But while he thought about these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take to you Mary your wife, for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit. And she will bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name JESUS, for He will save His people from their sins." So all this was done that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the Lord through the prophet, saying: "Behold, the virgin shall be with child, and bear a Son, and they shall call His name Immanuel," which is translated, "God with us." Then Joseph, being aroused from sleep, did as the angel of the Lord commanded him and took to him his wife, and did not know her till she had brought forth her firstborn Son. And he called His name JESUS.

**Matthew 2:10-12** When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceedingly great joy. And when they had come into the house, they saw the young Child with Mary His mother, and fell down and worshipped Him. And when they had opened their treasures, they presented the gifts to Him: gold, frankincense, and myrrh. Then, being divinely warned in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed for their own country another way.

*Merry CHRISTmas! God Bless*