Christmas Tree Decorating Service





Lottie Moon Christmas Offering - Are you planning to Give?

Who is Lottie? Many Southern Baptists don't know who Lottie Moon is or why their churches are constantly raising money for her at Christmas.

Is Lottie Moon a creditor, like Sallie Mae or Freddie Mac? Not at all. Lottie Moon was born in Virginia on December 12, 1840. She was named Charlotte Digges Moon, but everyone called her "Lottie." She grew to be a cultured and educated woman. In 1873, she obeyed God's call to go to China to share the gospel.

Lottie spent most of her years in Tengchow and P'ingtu, China. She wore Chinese clothes and lived like the Chinese people. The Chinese people respected Lottie. Her missions work won many Chinese to Christ.

Lottie loved the Chinese people. She often made personal sacrifices to help the Chinese. When there was not enough food for the people, Lottie gave away her food. She ate so little that she suffered from malnutrition. She was very sick. A missionary nurse was bringing her home to the US to see a doctor. But Lottie died on board a ship in the harbor at Kobe, Japan. She died on December 24, 1912. She was 72 years old.

The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering (LMCO) provides critical funding for Southern Baptists' international missions efforts. An annual goal is set by the WMU Executive Board in consultation with the International Mission Board's executive staff, allowing Southern Baptists to send and equip missionaries around the world.

The offering is named for Lottie Moon, a missionary to China whose letters pleading for mission support still resonate today. She died, after living a life of *total sacrifice* to God and the people of China.

The LMCO can help reconnect Southern Baptists to the core of Christmas—Jesus was born to save the world.

Fast Facts about International Missions of the Southern Baptist Convention

Total Field Personnel	09/2018	3,667
Fiëld personnel added	2017	339
Overseas baptisms	2016	45,256
Overseas churches	2016	30,815
Overseas church membership	2016	410,640
New churches	2016	4,550
People Groups engaged by	6/2018	811
Unreached People Groups not Engaged	6/2018	3,200
Love in Christ,		



WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS!

We are so glad you made it today!

Grab an info packet in the lobby and a Bible from the information desk There is a mother-baby suite in the NE corner of the Worship Center Children up to two years old can join us in the preschool area

GUEST WIFI PASSWORD

For your convenience, our guest password is: 87654321 While you are enjoying WIFI, check out the church website at: egfirst.org You will find digital copies of the bulletin, calendar of events, and you will be able to listen and watch past sermons.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Church Wide Christmas Caroling: Sunday, Dec 16 @ 3PM Come one, come all for this wonderful Christmas tradition as we bring joy to those around us.

Christmas Concert: Sunday, Dec 23 @ 10:30 AM
Westward Road will be with us. Come and be encouraged to travel "westward". Combined Adult Bible Fellowship @ 9:15 AM.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Services: Monday, Dec 24 4 PM Contemporary Service

6 PM Traditional Service

Jingle Jam FX: Saturday, December 15: 2PM

A Christmas Family eXperience for children and families. Dance and play together as you experience the Christmas story.



Toys Needed:

This year will are working together with Brevard Family Partnership to provide Christmas gifts for children who are in foster care in Brevard County. We are currently collecting toys (or money to purchase them) for children age 2 to 17. Any help you could provide would be a big blessing to these

families who have taken on the responsibility of caring for foster children. All donations are needed on or before *this Wednesday* (December 12th). Thank you!

OUR MISSION: LOVE GOD, LOVE PEOPLE, SHARE JESUS, REACH THE WORLD

THIS WEEK AT EG FIRST

Sunday, Dec 9:

Library Open: 10:00 - 10:30 AM

Tree Decorating Service: 10:30 AM (Worship Center)

Monday, Dec 10:

Bykota Bible Fellowship Class Meeting: 11 AM (400E)

Tuesday, Dec 11:

Library Open: 9:30 AM

Boutique: 10 AM - Noon (Room 200)

Food Pantry & Community Assistance: 10 AM - Noon

Wednesday, Dec 12:

Men's Life Group: 1:30 PM (Conference Room)

Dinner Served: 5 PM Library Open: 5:45 PM

Wednesday Night Programs: 6:15 PM

*Adult Bible Study
*Prayer Meeting
*ECKide (Boom 30)

*EGKids (Room 304)

*Youth (Youth Zone)

*Seekers of the Word (Conference Room)

*Marriage Life Group (Room 400B)

*Hooking on Hump Day [Crochet Class]:(Room 104)

Praise Band Rehearsal: 6:30 PM Traditional Choir Rehearsal: 7:30 PM

Thursday, December 13:

Threads of Love: 9:00 AM (Fellowship Hall)

Friday, Dec 14:

Basic Bible Fellowship Class Meeting: 5:30 PM

Saturday, Dec 15:

Christmas FX: 2:00 PM

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

"Not by works, so that no one can boast" Ephesians 2:9

MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT



The Ministry of the Week is the *Threads of Love* ministry, as it has been showing God's love through acts of service in our church for many years. Over this span they have made hundreds of articles of clothing for those who are sick and in need. We to especially want to thank Lori Ingraham for leading the Threads of Love team. From setting up to making and sending clothing out into the community, her service along with all of those who actively serve in

Threads of Love have not only been a blessing to our church but also many around our community. Thank you!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

12/16: Debbie Campos, Timothy Hoffman

12/17: Reita Fay Lane, Barbra McCalla, Wendell Maxwell, Connie Brown, Christian Trespalacios, Lance James

12/18: James Werner, Jacob Payne

12/19: Betty Taylor, Betty Jo Green-Park, Amberly McCoy, Angelina Concha

12/20: Jean Stabler, Nellie Crees, Zim Spaulding,

KumCha Wiseman, Luke Meister

12/22: Brenda White



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IN MEMORY OR HONOR

To Benevolence:

In Memory of Billy Goodnough by Mr. and Mrs. Ed Fannin, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Daniels, Linda Thompson

In Honor of Ray Kotowski and the young men who fixed Catherine's tire by Catherine Edwards.

Facts and Figures December 2, 2018

Weekend Worship Attendance 402

Weekly Budget Needed 18,301.31

 Budget Offering
 22,458.20

 Designated
 3,468.66

 CTB Debt Retirement
 470.00

 Lottie Moon
 3,150.00

Total Offering 29,546.86

To Date Figures

Budget Goal	878,462.88
Received	919,706.90
CTB Year	93,481.66
Lottie Moon	5.604.00

Fellowship Supper Wednesday, December 12

Suggested Donation \$5 Adult...\$3 Child...\$15 family

Publix Fried Chicken, Bebe's Pasta Salad, Backyard BBQ Beans, Cornbread Casserole, Peppermint Brownie

Entree: Balsamic Pear and Gorgonzola Salad w/ Walnuts

No Reservations Needed

Deacons on Call Dec 9 - Dec 15

Craig Helpling	693-3040
Jim Offner	537-2147
Joe Mazzella	(347)538-3030

WORSHIP CELEBRATION

Hymn "O Come All Ye Faithful" Congregation Welcome and Prayer Pastor Ralph Nygard Offering "Christ is Born Today" Praise Orchestra **READER #1** The Evergreen Tree "Good Christians Now Rejoice" Hymn Congregation **READER #2** The Silver Garland "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" Hymn Congregation "How Should a King Come" Living Proof Ladies **READER #3** The Red Ornaments "Gentle Mary Laid Her Child" Hymn Congregation **READER #4** The Blue Ornaments Hymn "Angels We Have Heard on High" Congregation "Do You Hear What I Hear?" Praise Choir **READER #5** The Gold Ornaments "We Three Kings" Congregation Hymn "Sweet Little Jesus Boy" Mary Miller **READER #6 Candy Canes** Congregation "Away in a Manger" Hymn "Jov to the World" Kidz Choir The Bells **READER #7** "I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day" Hymn Congregation **READER #8** The Birds "Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne" Hymn Congregation Praise Band "Noel" **READER #9** The Fruit "Go Tell It On the Mountain" Hymn Congregation "Alleluia" Instrumental Trio **READER #10** The Icicles "What Child Is This" Hymn Congregation "Jesus, the Son of God" Master's Men Quartet **READER #11** The Stand, the Tree, and the Lights "O Little Town of Bethlehem" Hymn Congregation READER #12 The Star Pastor Ralph Hymn "O Holy Night" Pat Offner

Congregation

"Silent Niaht"