



**33rd SINGING CHRISTMAS TREE**  
SAT., DEC. 10 & SUN., DEC. 11  
5 PM & 7:30 PM

**FAREWELL GATHERING**



On Sunday, December 18, Orange Baptist Church will be honoring Pastor Rick Clore and Karen with a covered dish luncheon and reception in the Pine Room following the morning worship service.

We want to invite ALL members, friends, and family as we say our heartfelt goodbye to our beloved Rick! We are so grateful and blessed to have had his guidance and leadership for the past ten years. Please come share your love, hugs, memories, and stories on this very special day in the life of our church.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Thur., Dec. 1:** Ruth Kersey Circle will meet at Dogwood Village at noon. Bring a sandwich.

7 PM - Stewardship Committee.

**Mon., Dec. 5:** Valirie Payne circle will meet at 11 AM at the church. Bring a sandwich.

**Mon., Dec. 12:** Kay Culpeper circle will meet at Food Lion parking lot to leave for Shirley Gooding's home at 10:45 AM.

**Tues., Dec. 13:** 6:45 PM Finance Committee.  
7:30 Missions Committee.

**Sat., Dec. 24:** Christmas Eve Service, 5:30 PM.

**Sun., Dec. 25:** 11 AM Morning worship service ONLY.

**Mon., Dec. 26 & Tues., Dec. 27:** Church office closed.

**Tues., Dec. 27:** 7 PM Deacons meeting.

The 20th of each month is the deadline for items to be submitted for the newsletter.

### NURSERY HELPERS - DECEMBER

- 4 Cindy McDaniel
- 11 Kim Bartley
- 18 Patricia Salyers, Ashley/Whit Jacobs
- 25 Dave/Meg Camp, Mayira Cluff

### What is the CBF Offering for Global Missions?

The OGM is the primary giving channel for supporting CBF field personnel and their ministries. You have two opportunities to give to the OGM, in December and again in March, when special offerings are taken.

Giving through the OGM is an act of stewardship and ensures a consistent missions presence around the world. The offering is the primary way field personnel are funded. In recent years the offering has not been sufficient to support all field personnel. The result is some field personnel are forced to spend time away from their ministry sites to raise funds for their support.

The OGM across the Fellowship averages \$4 million per year. The amount needed to support all field personnel is \$5.5 million. Estimates reveal that if approximately "half" (around 900) of the churches in the Fellowship network would give just \$1,500 more per year" all personnel could be supported! Orange Baptist, can we become more engaged??

Prayerfully consider giving sacrificially and generously to the OGM throughout December. Look for special envelopes in your box of offering envelopes and in the pew racks.

**Our goal is \$2,200.**

### DEACONS FOR DECEMBER

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| William Chewning | Shirley Aylor    |
| Julia Lloyd      | Vicky Morris     |
| Lovedy Papproth  | Christina Bowles |
| Bill Hager       | Whit Jacobs      |

### COUNTERS -- DECEMBER

Judean Hines, Debbie Wiegel, Meador Horne

### CHILDRENS CHURCH

- 11 Karen Wheeler
- 18 Meg & Dave Camp

### HAPPY AGERS

All are welcome to join the Happy Agers. Call Cornelia Craun, 672-4705, or Doris Shumake, 672-4139, if you wish to attend any of the events or have questions.

Food Lion/Wells Fargo is the meeting place for all outings.

Fri., Dec. 9: 7:15 PM meet to attend "The Charlie Brown Christmas" show at Four-County Players theater in Barboursville.

Mon., Dec. 19: 12:45 PM meet to leave for a Christmas Party with Dottie and Bill Bradley.

Tues., Jan. 17: 11:30 AM meet at church for SOUP DAY. We also bring BLANKETS for the clothes closet.

FEB. 2017: Riverside Dinner Theater to see "Million Dollar Quartet".



### STOP HUNGER

Twenty from Orange Baptist Church helped pack meals for Stop Hunger on October 9 at Mineral Baptist Church Family Life Center. 64,800 meals were packaged to be shipped to poverty stricken areas around the world. The meals will be distributed to schools so children will have a nourishing meal each day. Those helping from OBC were Alyssa McRae, David McRae, Elizabeth Ann McRae, Ally Watson, Elly Newman, Sarah Bartley, Vi Brown, Madeline Reeves, Doris Shumake, Buddy Shumake, Cornelia Craun, Martha Jeen Jacobs, Shirley Aylor, Faye Coffey, Lovedy Papproth, Joan Woolfolk, Meador Horne, Sheridan Horne, Dorothy Cluff and Patricia Salyers.

## STEWARDSHIP - OCTOBER

### Unified Budget:

Receipts	\$ 32,527.28
Paid Expenses	\$ 26,356.72
Unpaid Expenses	\$ 1,235.17
Unpaid Mission Partners for 2015 & 2016	
	\$21,620.01

### Statistical Report on Consecration Sunday Results

A total of 64 giving units (husbands and wives or single persons) completed *Estimate of Giving Cards* this year.

A total of 38 of these giving units increased their financial commitment above their last year's amount.

A total of 64 giving units present to fill out *Estimate of Giving Cards* today committed a total of \$198,764.40.

Based on last year's giving records, we can expect to receive \$97,471.71 during the coming year from people who have consistent giving patterns during the past twelve months but are not present today.

Based on the average total of loose offerings during the past three years, we can expect to receive \$3,152.74 during the coming year from that source.

Church income from non-donor sources such as interest, rentals, and fees \$1,000.

This gives us a grand total of \$300,388.85 anticipated income for the next twelve months.

The total income for our general operating budget during the last twelve months was \$284,119.73.

Next year, we can expect our operating budget income to increase by \$ 16,269.12.

This is a 5.7 percent increase in total giving above last year.

**Thank you for your investment in God's saving work!**

## FROM YOUR MUSIC SEARCH COMMITTEE

We began receiving resumés for our Minister/Director of Music on November 1st and will receive them until December 15th, at which point we will begin discernment. We are excited about the task of finding the right person to lead our Music Ministry forward. Please be in prayer for the committee, for the right candidate, and for our congregation.

## PRAYER LIST

### Illness within church family:

G I Johnson	Sam Jarrell
Glynn & Betty Coleman	Arlene Byram
Patricia Coleman	Erlene Arthur
Charlene Schweikert	Betty Duffer
Alice Jacobs	Mary Strickland
Bobby Seal	Carolyn Styers
Connie Sardina	Bart Daniel
Spurgle Herndon	Phyllis Saintclair
Tammi Waters	

### Illness of friends & family:

Sandy Jones Garrison	Beth Cluff
Don & Marcelline Waugh	Palmer Waugh
Doris Haney	Skeeter Lutz
Susan Birdsong	Geneva Compton
Sarah Biber	Joe Austin
Linda Frankenberg	Austra Skroedelis
Em Komiskey	Bendall Boyd
Andrea Shell	Willie Morris
Susan Pippin	Jeff Hensley
Shirley Painter	Gary Kendrick
Linda Jenkins	

### CBF Field Personnel:

Cindy & Eddy Ruble  
Greg & Sue Smith

### Other:

Samantha Clarke

## NEW BABIES

Ryan, Erin, Henry & Wyatt Sedwick are excited to announce the arrival of their daughter/sister, Virginia Lee Sedwick, born Nov. 18, 2016, weighing 8 lbs., 5 ozs.

Proud grandparents are Rod & Gina Sedwick.



Rick & Trisha Langford are pleased to announce the arrival of their first child, a daughter, Elizabeth Marie, born on Nov. 23, 2016, weighing 4 lbs., 13 ozs.

Proud grandparents are Bob & Ruth Langford.



Cindy & Eddy Ruble

This is the first Thanksgiving we had with our extended family since our children were quite small. Normally, we are in the Tropics where we serve. Thanksgiving Day in Malaysia is hot and humid. There are no fall colors, unless you count the sweet potato pudding and orange pumpkin pie we always prepare. We realize we have many things to be thankful for this year, and Orange Baptist Church, you are on that list! Thank you for the hospitality you showed us when we were with you in September.

Today, I have been thinking about the many faces and stories of the trafficking survivors who have stayed in our shelter while we worked on their cases. I am thankful to have known so many women of great courage and resilience, women who have remained kind despite the cruelty they have experienced at the hands of other human beings, poor women who are generous in spirit and generous with their meager resources. When they recoup their wages and are ready to be repatriated to their home countries, they usually want to go shopping for their families, typically buying chocolate bars for their children, knowing they need to save the rest of their money for their children's education and to put food on the table. They often want to help us keep the shelter going. I will never forget the first time one of our survivors told me she wanted to buy rice for the shelter. I knew she didn't have much money and that she needed it for her family, so I said, "You don't have to do that. Save your money for your family." She said, "No, I want to help you, because you helped me." She bought two large bags of rice for the shelter (the size of grain feed bags in the U.S.). She exemplifies a generosity that stretches, that reaches out to others beyond what is easy for the giver. She shows a kindness and a generosity which costs, not a gift given out of her excess, as she has no excess. Her generosity comes from sacrifice.

There is much we can learn from the poor, and from those that struggle to survive. I am blessed to have known her. I am better because of her. Kindness matters. Generosity begets generosity. With kindness, generosity, and faith, we can change the world.

We have been able to help vulnerable people because you empower us to do so. Thank you OBC for partnering with us in ministry and choosing to become our Encourager Church. Thank you for prioritizing the CBF Offering for Global Missions which ensures our presence on the field. We are looking forward to being with you again on December 4.

### SHOPPING FROM AMAZON!!

Place your order through smile.amazon.com and select Orange Baptist Church as your charitable organization and the church will receive .5% of each order to our general fund from the Smile Foundation.

### UPWARD BASKETBALL

Final registration and mandatory evaluations

- Prospect Heights Middle School
- Sat., Dec. 3 9-Noon
- Cost is \$60 per child.



Coaches and other volunteers are needed to provide devotionals during half time. Please contact the church office or send email to [upwardorange@gmail.com](mailto:upwardorange@gmail.com).

### CRAFT BAZAAR DECEMBER 3 9 AM - 2 PM OBC PINE ROOM

Tables are:  
\$15 for non-church members  
\$10 for church members



Contact Brenda Morris at 540-672-5705 or [Bcmorris012@gmail.com](mailto:Bcmorris012@gmail.com)



*Merry Christmas and  
a Healthy New Year!*

*Rick Core*

*Melinda  
Cunningham*

*Danielle  
Scott*

*Alan Mills*

