

Mount Pleasant Monthly

February 2022

From our Pastor.....

February is here and that means Valentine's Day is almost upon us. I read an article recently that said Americans spent more than 27 Billion dollars on gifts in 2020 for Valentine's Day. Yes, you read that right—27 Billion! There are several different reactions to this revelation. Some will say, "money well spent to show people you love them." Others will say "such a waste of money." Still others will say "a simple 'I Love You' will do." No matter who you are, I think we can all agree that Americans spend big bucks to say, "I love you."

However, most Americans refuse to say "I love you" in the greatest way possible, by sharing the story of Jesus Christ with others. On average, only 6% of Christians have ever shared their faith and the Gospel of Christ with someone. We love to spend money and time telling others we love them, but we refuse to tell people the only truth that can set them free.

If we truly loved others, would we not want to share God's salvation story with them? Do we not want our loved ones to be truly loved and to know true love? The Bible tells us that Jesus was sent by the Father because of love. Shouldn't we tell others about this love?

I know it is easier to give a box of chocolates or a dozen roses to someone and say "I love you," but honestly, those things have no meaning. What if we told someone we loved them so much that we want to see them for eternity and the only way to do that is through Jesus Christ!

This year I want to challenge you to not only tell someone you are close to that you love them, but I challenge you to show them you love them by inviting them to find the greatest love of all—Christ's love for them.

Pastor Jimmy

Offerings

December				January			
Date	Offering	Budget	Difference	Date	Offering	Budget	Difference
12/5	\$2,345.00	\$3,328.08	-\$983.08	1/2	\$1,915.00	\$3,328.08	-\$1,413.08
12/12	\$2,796.00	\$3,328.08	-\$532.08	1/9	\$3,369.00	\$3,328.08	\$40.92
12/19	\$3,850.00	\$3,328.08	\$521.92	1/16	SNOW	\$3,328.08	-\$3,328.08
12/26	\$8,340.00	\$3,328.08	\$5,011.92	1/23	SNOW	\$3,328.08	-\$3,328.08
				1/30		\$3,328.08	
Total	\$17,331.00	\$13,312.32	\$4,018.68	Total	\$5,284.00	\$16,640.40	-\$8,028.32

Opportunities for Worship

Sundays

10am—Sunday School
11am—Worship
6pm—Children's Choir
7pm—Adult Choir

Tuesdays

10am—Prayer Time

Wednesdays

6:30pm—Bible Study & Children's Group (K-5)

Mission Action Meeting

February 17th 7:00 pm Fellowship Hall

All women of the church are invited!

Mark Your Calendars!

This year, our church celebrates our 150th anniversary! We are already making plans for a wonderful time of celebration. There will be a celebration event on Saturday, August 6th and we will also celebrate our anniversary during the morning worship service on Sunday, August 7th, beginning at 10am. Make plans now to be there!

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Happy Birthday!

1-Janice Maness
3-Luca Bruscano, Gyles Buckner, Brittany Groseclose,
Wendy Hart, Mitzi Wilson
5-Jessica Layton, Dwayne Stalker
6-Bethany Isom
7-Kristen Poe Bettis
9-Sophia Miller
11-Robby Crutchfield
12-Darren Beasley
13-Eddie Nunn
14-Meredith Hicks
17-Ava Collins
18-Jason Collins
20-Bill Johnson
23-Marty Bare, Maddox Carson, Jeff Lindley, Tammy
Smith
29-Kelly Smith

*I know the plans I have in mind for you, declares the Lord;
they are plans for peace, not disaster, to give you a future
filled with hope. Jeremiah 29:11*

Grace Haven Children's Home Donation Drive

Our Mission Action group is collecting standard size **shampoo, conditioner, and body wash** (no bars of soap or travel size items, please) for the girls and boys of Grace Haven Children's Home through February 27th.

Grace Haven is a part of Ebenezer Christian Children's Home out of North Wilkesboro. Grace Haven is located close to us, right down the road in Siler City.

Please drop off items in the vestibule by February 27th.

