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Glorify God and  
Make Disciples**

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Weekly Newsletter of Tabor City Baptist Church

**F**or most of us this is a week of transition. Christmas celebrations are concluding and New Year's looms just a few days away. What will our new year hold for us?

As I prepare to resume my responsibilities as your present pastor, I have much for which to give thanks. I thank sister Phyllis for her extended time in inspiring our spirits and instructing us according to God's Word. Phyllis, your love for God and commitment to share His teachings is admirable and much appreciated. God has used you to continue His comforting and guiding work among us. I and the church greatly appreciate your service to the Lord in helping Tabor City Baptist over the past couple of months.

I am much grateful for Tabor City Baptist wanting me to return to you. My physical weakness has begun to improve but still hinders me from providing you with the pastoral leadership you deserve. Yet you have affirmed a great love for me and readiness to welcome me back into your fellowship. It is with great joy that I anticipate actively fulfilling the pastoral leadership role again.

This for me is a week of transition and anticipation. May God grant for each of us a year of unimagined joys and blessings. May we give to God a year of sincere devotion and communion with He who longs for fellowship with us.

Blessings and New Year joys,  
Bro Earl

### **The God I've Forgotten**

Sunday, I plan to begin a look at a number of the Old Laws, including the 10 Commandments. But, we are not looking for things we need to reestablish in our living. We will be seeking to discover the God who gave these laws to the Israelites. Behind these laws is a God we often overlook, and forget, in our quest to be acceptable and the recipients of His goodness. Yet God has since the beginning been seeking to reveal who He is to us so we would trust and love Him. His desire is for us to experience the relationship Adam and Eve shared with Him. We will begin in Exodus 20. May we rediscover the God we've forgotten and establish a deep and loving fellowship with Him.

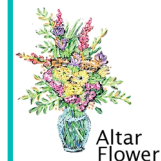
### **Sunday Evening Discipleship**

The discipleship study focused on a survey of the Bible will resume Sunday, January 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM. We have completed a survey of the Old Testament and now begin our survey of the New Testament. All are welcome to attend.



### **Quarterly Business Meeting**

The first quarter business meeting will be held on January 1.



Altar Flowers

### **2023 Altar Flowers**

The following dates are available for altar flowers. If you would like to furnish the flowers for one of these dates, please call the church office.

April 2	October 29
April 9	November 5
April 23	November 12
June 11	November 19
July 2	November 26
July 30	December 10
August 27	December 17
October 8	December 31

### **Baptist Women's Meeting**

Tuesday, January 3rd  
6:00pm  
Fellowship Hall  
Spaghetti Dinner

**SUNDAY'S RECORD—December 25, 2022**

Morning Worship.....	62
Online Viewers .....	40
Amount Needed/Weekly Budget .....	5,786.36
Budget Offering .....	4,052.00
Lottie Moon .....	10,500.00
(Church Goal: 7,500.00—Given to Date: 22,178.00)	
Benevolence (From NCBF).....	2,579.55
Mission Activity Fund (From NCBF).....	41.02
Mission Activity Fund .....	75.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>17,247.57</b>

Included in the above figures are memorials for Rev. & Mrs. James P. Jones, Katryna H. Watson and Samuel Hudson Cain.

<b>Year to Date Budget Needs .....</b>	<b>98,368.23</b>
<b>Year to Date Budget Receipts .....</b>	<b>123,190.00</b>
<b>Year to Date Total Receipts .....</b>	<b>154,738.57</b>

**THOSE WHO SERVE— January 1, 2023**

**Deacon Offering Collectors**  
 Marlette Watson, Keith Darrow  
**Deacons at Doors**  
 Marlette Watson, Keith Darrow  
**Sound Techs**  
 Pete Rasmussen, Jones Lay  
**Video Tech**  
 Stan Fowler

**Prayer List**

Teresa Bass  
 Judy Caines-Surgery  
 Diona Greseth (Dean Duncan Soles' daughter)  
 Sue Clontz (Wallace's daughter-in-law)  
 Ash-Leigh Stevens (Judy Prince's niece)  
 Eddie & Faye Grainger  
 Brenda Young Singletary  
 Alan Ruiz (Catherine Garrell's son)  
 Ronnie Jones  
 Walter Williamson  
 Dan Bush  
 Nikki Ague  
 Bill Fowler  
 Rebekah Hudson (Ellen Johnson's daughter)  
 Pastor Earl Spivey  
 Pam Spivey  
 Tommy Spivey  
 Helen Bush  
 Camilla Nobles



**Shut-ins**

Carole Watts  
 Doris Mills  
 Wade Fowler  
 Ann Lay  
 Mary Currie (Audrey Greene's mother)  
 Mary Bow  
 Cynthia Inman  
 Gene Burroughs, Sr.  
 Freddie Long  
 Allene Dorman  
 Betty June Ward

**Wednesday Night Supper Schedule**

December 28—No Activities

*Happy Birthdays*

December 28—Eunice Stevens  
 Brandon Prince  
 January 2—Wanda Fowler  
 January 7—Greg Greene  
 Catherine Christmas  
 January 8—Brady Ivey  
 January 10—Jordan Ford  
 January 14—Emma Ann Lay  
 January 15—Bernice Gerald  
 January 16—Mary Bow  
 Jaelyn Ray  
 January 17—Abi Batchelder  
 January 19—Joyce Herring  
 January 20—Jerry Jolly  
 January 21—Winslow Phipps

**Round Table**

One of our round tables that fold in half is missing. If you have borrowed it, please call the church office.

**Altar Flowers**



The altar flowers for Sunday, January 1st will be given to the glory of God.

**Church Office Closed**

Thursday, December 29th  
 Friday, December 30th  
 Monday, January 2nd

**Church Office Information**

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**Church Staff**

Supply Pastor—Rev. Earl J. Spivey, Jr.  
 Interim Worship Leader—Jim Smith  
 Supply Prayer Leader—Phyllis Elvington  
 Pianist—Pam Harrelson  
 Ministry Assistant—Tonya Stevens  
 Custodian—Coley Greene

**Sunday Schedule**

Sunday School—9:45 am  
 Sunday Morning Worship—10:45 am

**Wednesday Schedule**

Afterschool Activities—4:15-5:00pm  
 Supper—5:00-5:45 pm  
 Children & Youth Studies—5:30-6:30pm  
 Adult Prayer Meeting—6:00-6:40 pm  
 Adult Choir Rehearsal—6:45 pm

**LISTEN/WATCH LIVE SUNDAYS at 10:45am**

1370 AM *or*  
 visit tcbaptist.net  
 and click "Listen Online"

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 (Link on Website)

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