

*BAPTIST MESSENGER Special Edition for*  
**WHERE FRIENDSHIPS**



**IN CHRIST**

**OLIVET BAPTIST CHURCH**

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Dr. Steve Kern – Pastor

**December 31, 2018**

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***The Pastor's Heart...***

This is my last article to be written in 2018. By the time you read it, it will be 2019. I pray each of you will have a blessed new year in 2019. This coming Sunday will be our first Sunday of January, when we will have our first council meeting of the year. I have a survey ready to be reviewed before we pass it out in Sunday School. We will also discuss some ideas we have for broadening our worship service to include more contemporary styles of music. We are working to follow through with our discussions about how to strengthen our church fellowship and overall spirit of unity. Be sure to attend.

I believe we will also have some good news about how God has provided for our finances to finish out 2018 on a positive note. God is so good as He answers our prayers. We must always express our gratitude and thanks for all the Lord does for us.

I want to give you a word of encouragement to read the Bible through this year. You can buy a paperback Bible that is organized as a daily Bible reading that will have you finish reading through the Bible by this time next year. I want to also remind you on how to live a meaningful life by following the points I made in last week's sermon. The points are: Know where you come from, God. Know where you are headed, back to God. Know the task at hand on every age level of life. That task is to love Jesus with all your heart and be a good neighbor (Luke 10:25-29). It wouldn't hurt to read Psalm 90:10-12 and Ephesians 5:5-16, as well. One final point -- do everything you do as unto the Lord. (Ephesians 6:5-7). Follow these instructions, and you will live a meaningful life that matters.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY...**

**Dec. 31 – Jan. 6**

**1 – Abbas Lagisa**

**Mona Kodi**

**3 – Janice Phillips**

**5 – Destinee Stuyvesant**

**Jennifer Boyes**

**Miguel Sanchez**

**Our Church Teaching**

**Dec. 30<sup>th</sup> Sunday school 93**

**OUR CHURCH GIVING**

**Budget, 2018**

**THIS WEEK THIS YEAR**

**Req. \$ 5,574.00 \$289,848.00**

**Rec. \$19,650.24 \$287,911.22**

**\$14,076.24 ( 1,936.78)**

**Total To Date**

**Missions**

**Year to Date \$3,860.74**

**Next Generation Campaign**

**To Date \$80,390.84**

**NGC Spent (\$66,364.94)**

**NGC Balance \$14,025.90**

**OLIVET OPPORTUNITIES**

**SUNDAY, January 6<sup>th</sup>**

**9:30 Sunday school**

**10:50 Worship Service**

**4:00 Church Council**

**5:00 Visitation**

**6:00 Bible Study**

**MONDAY, January 7<sup>th</sup>**

**2:00 Ostomy 211**

**TUESDAY, January 8<sup>th</sup>**

**5:30 Whiz Kids**

**WEDNESDAY, January 9<sup>th</sup>**

**4:45 Meal**

**6:00 Power Time**

**Men's Bible Study**

**Women's Bible Study**

**Youth on Mission**

**Children's Choir**

**7:30 Adult Choir Practice**

**SATURDAY, January 12<sup>th</sup>**

**10:00 Prayer Walk**

**12:30 Champions for Christ**

**January 9<sup>th</sup>**

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL**

**Spaghetti**

**Please make or cancel  
reservations by noon Monday  
(Menu subject to change)**

**WORLD MISSION OFFERING**

Our goal this year is \$11,000.00

Because our church gives to the World Mission Offering, missionaries can take the gospel around the world. 100% of every dollar we give goes to the work of reaching every nation. World Mission Offering envelopes have been placed in the pews for your convenience. Regular Offering envelopes may be used, but please mark them for the World Mission Offering.

**WOMEN ON MISSION**

**Our first meeting for the New Year  
will be Tuesday, January 8th,  
at 10 AM in the Parlor.**