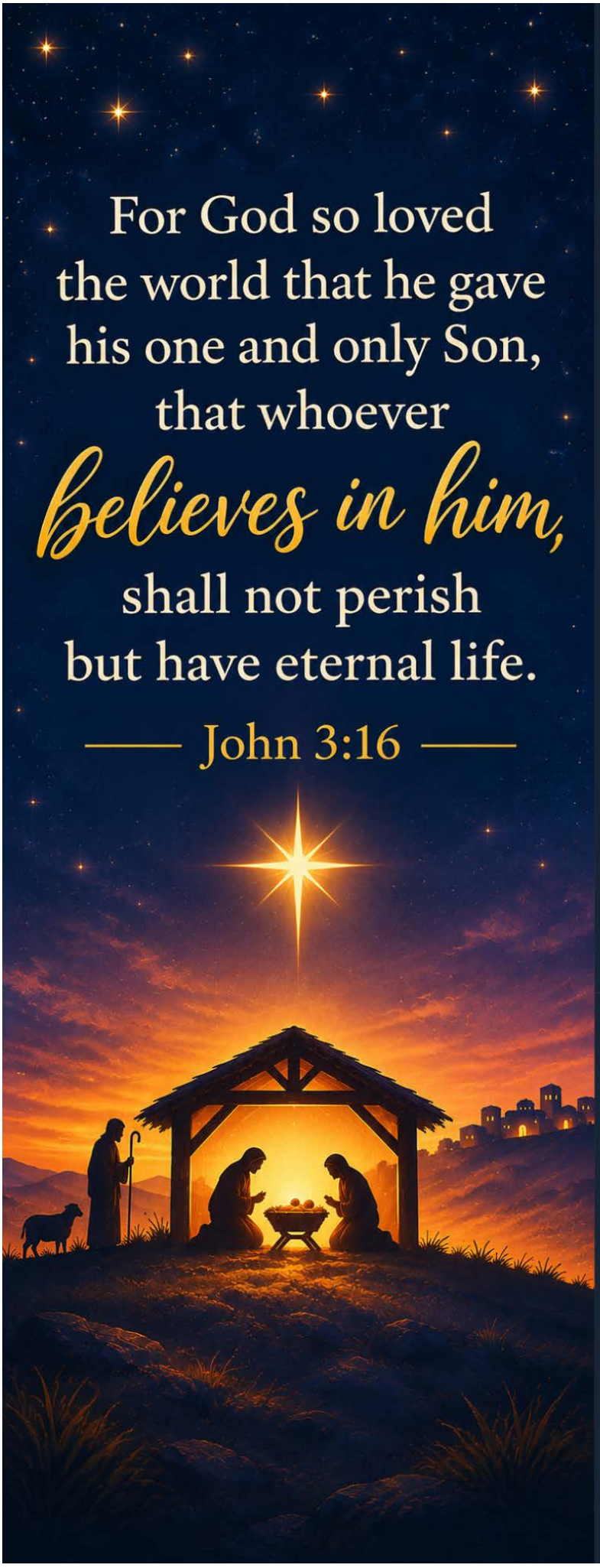


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GARDEN CITY
BAPTIST CHURCH

December Events

12/1	Trip to Rowles Theater Christmas Show
12/2	Church-wide Christmas Party
12/6	Sunday Morning Christmas Music
12/7-11	Trip to Connie Maxwell
12/11	Women's Min. Christmas Party
12/12	Men's Fellowship Breakfast
12/14	Joy Fellowship
12/16	Christmas Caroling
12/23	No Wednesday Night Activities
12/24	Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
12/26	Serve Food at Men's Shelter
12/30	No Wednesday Night Activities



CHURCHWIDE

Christmas Party

WEDNESDAY, 12/2 • 5:15 PM

BRING FINGER FOODS TO SHARE

MUSIC | FELLOWSHIP | FOOD | FUN



Christmas Caroling

WEDNESDAY, 12/16

5:00 – 7:00 PM

Sign up and join us as we spread Christmas cheer to our shut-ins.



CHRISTMAS EVE *Candlelight Service*

THURSDAY, 12/24 • 6:00 PM

Invite your neighbors and join us for this special evening!



12/12
8:30am

Men's Fellowship Breakfast

"As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another."
PROVERBS 27:17

Joy Fellowship

Ham provided
Bring $3 and a covered dish

Monday, 12/14 Noon

SPECIAL MUSIC:
Neil & Kelley Forney

Greg Rowles Legacy Theater

Christmas on Main

Tuesday, December 1st
Bus leaves church at 5:45pm.
$44 per person
Deadline to sign up and pay is November 22.
See Joan Brewer for more information.

WOMEN'S Christmas PARTY

DECEMBER 11
6 PM
GCBC FELLOWSHIP HALL

SIGN UP IN THE SIDE HALLWAY OR LOBBY. BRING A FINGER FOOD TO SHARE AND A WRAPPED CHRISTMAS-THEMED ITEM VALUED AT $15 OR LESS.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



GCBC Kids will sing on Sunday, December 6th.

Lottie Moon Cookie Sale

GOAL: $1000

Sunday, December 13



TEAM KID

KIDS IN DISCIPLESHIP

Sundays

4 - 6 p.m.

Ages 4K-5th Grade

- Bible Study
- Music
- Games
- Missions
- Dinner

TeamKID will not meet:

Nov. 29, Dec. 27, or Jan. 3.

Kids' Christmas Party

Sunday, December 20;

4-6 p.m.



Youth

Youth in 6th grade and up are invited to join us for Youth Group Sundays at 4 PM in our Youth House at 501 Yaupon Avenue. Dinner is served, and youth are always encouraged to bring friends with them!

We also have Youth Bible Study every Sunday at 9:45 AM in the Youth House.

In addition to Youth Group and Youth Bible Study, we have a lot of special activities, like our Annual Snowball Fight on December 2 and our Annual Christmas Party on December 20.

If you would like to stay in the loop of many other upcoming youth activities, please text Austin Bond at 843-798-0222 and ask to join the weekly Youth E-News list. It's only one e-mail per week.











December Missions



CONNIE MAXWELL CHILDREN'S HOME

December 7th - 11th

We will travel to the Greenwood, SC campus to assist with providing a special Christmas to the Connie Maxwell families. Our participation will include:

Set-up
Christmas Wrapping
Gift Distribution
Christmas Shopping Store set-up

SHIRLEY'S COOKIE PACK & SHARE

Tuesday, December 22
10am
Fellowship Hall

Packages of cookies are taken to shut-ins and veteran groups

Please make cookies and bring to the church to help with this mission

LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING

DURING DECEMBER - OUR GOAL - $3,000

EVERY DOLLAR SUPPORTS MISSIONARIES ON THE FIELD; NONE OF IT GOES TO OVERHEAD.

Together, we are part of God's work among the nations

Find the lost
Missionaries are present in 155 countries around the world. Many serve in the hardest and least reached places, living among people with little or no access to the gospel.

Help the hurting
IMB's Send Relief teams demonstrate the love of Christ by responding to urgent needs with compassion ministry, clean water, medical aid, refugee care, and more—opening doors in otherwise closed areas and keeping the gospel at the center.

Share the gospel
Across languages, cultures, cities, villages, and digital spaces, missionaries and partners proclaim the hope of Jesus and make disciples, leading to more than 4.5 million gospel shares and more than 785,000 professions of faith in the past five years.

Multiply the church
We partner with local believers to plant healthy churches that grow, multiply, and send others.



NewDirections
HOPE STARTS HERE.

Serve meal at men's shelter - Saturday, 12/26 at 5:30-8pm

Each month we need food items for the shelter
(watch for the request boards)
Also, always need items for the homeless (t-shirts, briefs, socks, and toiletries)
Use the Collection Basket in the side hall

MUSIC MINISTRY

CHRISTMAS WORSHIP KICK OFF!!

I am excited for our church family to kick off our Christmas Season on Sunday, December 6th. We have put together a Choir and Praise team and Children to sing some great songs of Christmas Praise. Also, we begin our Advent Candle Celebration on November 29th. It is always exciting to mark each week with another reminder of what Christmas really means to us as Christians.

As we worship on Sunday and on Christmas Eve, I pray that the worship we share will be an inspiration to you and your family. The songs we sing during this season are some of the most beautiful songs written for our families to sing together. I look forward to walking through this season with all of you.
Love you in the Lord! Jonathan

MEDIA MINISTRY

Bayou Refuge by Joshua Powell

Charles Powell, a small time Louisiana pastor, finds himself back at Bayou Refuge, an old church campground and conference center that's been closed for ten years. He's been invited to lead a special program for people who are interested in learning about God. There will be three visitors and they will have questions. Even though there are three familiar faces at the campground, something seems off. There is a heavy fog that never lifts and his best friend, Davy seems to disappear without warning.

It becomes clear that the conversation that Charles will share with these guests may be the final conversation of their life. As Charles wrestles with the magnitude of this responsibility, he must deal with his own mortality. Each character has to make a decision for Jesus and where he/she wants to spend eternity.

Widows' Birthday Lunch
Sunday 12/6
following worship
California Dreaming
Birthdays are Peggy Hodges & Lucille McNeill

Ladies Lunch Bunch
Caldonia Grillroom
Thursday 12/17 at 11:45am
Sign-up in the front foyer or side hall.

BIRTHDAYS

01 – Ellen Rebban
03 – Debbie Good
05 – Carmen Carella
06 – Carol Haire
06 – Peggy Hodges
07 – Katelyn Hawes
07 – Alex Beri
07 – Nancy Todd
12 – Perry Walp
13 – Darlene Pope
14 – Skyler Stoll
17 – Peggy Smith
18 – Lucille McNeill
18 – Bob Wood
19 – Betty Wing
20 – Doug Shirley
22 – Mike Reese
22 – Bob Green
23 – Warren Lynch
26 – Linda Williams
26 – Alayna Lanier
27 – Hal Duke
27 – Will Peterman
30 – Barbara Carraway
31 – Joy Kimel

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