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Perspectives

Pastor Tom



Just like presents under the tree, missions come in all different shapes and sizes. Some missions are big...I mean really BIG. For instance, it has been a year since the JIBC family joined in with over 50 other churches to be a part of "Pray Charleston". Each church took one day a month to pray 24 hours that day for Charleston. JIBC took the 10th of every month and so for 12 months, we were committed to praying "Thy Kingdom come, Thy

will be done in Charleston as it is in heaven". We had 168 people commit to praying and interceding to cover every 15-minute period of the 24 hours and then some. We even had our partner church in Romania join us in this prayer mission effort! Thank you, Father.

The second package is just as amazing. Asked to provide 300 Christmas toys for children in East Tennessee and Western North Carolina, you crushed the effort! We quit counting after 400 toys. I don't think "Santa's" sleigh could carry this many toys in one trip, so we rented a UHAUL! We packed 30 XL boxes full of every kind of toy you can imagine; 2 XL boxes of candy and 300 little stockings (to be filled by the Greenville, Tennessee High school ROTC and the BETA club, an international honor society for students in the 4th through 12th grades.) In addition, we are sending 6 boxes of potato chips for the party they will be having on Saturday, December 19. Our members, full-time volunteer missionaries, Charles and Judy Dillon, will be there as Santa and Mrs. Claus to tell the children the Christmas Story about baby Jesus. Thank you all for crushing the goal of 300 toys! Yay God and Yay JIBC!

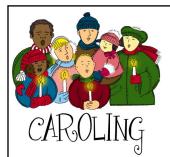




The third mission present is "unwrapped" on Wednesday, December 17. Everyone is invited to go Christmas Caroling at the Bishop Gadsden Rehab Center. Note, it is the "Rehab Center, Gadsden Glen". Our worship pastor, David Martin, has put together the best caroling booklet I have ever used. You get the words to the Christmas songs and a brief and informative story about the songs. It is a fun event that carries a lot of potential for making the season bright!

See you Sunday, good Lord willing, as we continue this year's advent theme, "All Hail King Jesus". He is a different kind of King!

Pastor Tom



CHURCH-WIDE CHRISTMAS CAROLING DECEMBER 17 6:30 PM

Come and join the Awana kids for a fun time of Christmas Caroling at the Bishop Gadsden Rehab Facility. Help us make the season merry and bright for the patients! The Messenger Page 3

This Advent Season you have the opportunity to bless some of our favorite mission/outreach ministries



James Island Outreach

Jelly Pancake Syrup

International Missions Offering

Eastern TN/Western NC Hurricane Relief

Over 400 toys will be delivered to Greeneville, TN this week. Thank you for your generous giving!

CHRISTMAS CAROLING & LUNCH Friday, December 12 - 9:30 AM

Join us for a heartwarming time of Christmas caroling at The Addison in West Ashley as we bring cheer to the residents and lead in a sing-along of Christmas carols and seasonal favorites. After visiting with the residents, we'll pick up our friend, Joyce Southwell, to take to lunch with us.

Sign up on the bulletin board or call/text Cheryl Parish at843-270-1453.

Joy Club – Christmas Light Display Thursday, December 18 – 4:30 PM

We hope you'll join with us this Christmas season to enjoy the James Island County Park Christmas Light Displays. We'll have an evening of walking and riding through the light displays, and you may choose to roast marshmallows, ride the train, or visit the gift shops. Sign up on the bulletin board if you can join in or contact Cheryl at 843-270-1453 or cparish@aol.com.

Merry Christmas Mailbox



Bring your Christmas cards for church family to place in the Merry Christmas Mailbox located in the main hallway each Sunday during the month of December. You can give to International Missions by donating the cost of the stamps you would have used to mail your cards. Mark your check International Missions in the memo line or label your envelope with International Missions. Merry Christmas!

Prayer Requests

Family and Friends

- Myrtle Maull
- Gene Schurlknight
- Willa Mae Mincey
- Larry Alexander
- Jada Benton
- David Hall
- Mel Bell
- Debbie McLawhorn
- Eric Heitman
- Bill & Carollee Simmons
- Nancy Bryson Schwartz
- Jim Sherard
- Anna Gaskins
- Georgia Baldwin

- Austyn, Caroline (Koch) Niccolls and Katie
- Alston Pauls
- Liz Burrell
- Bubba & Stella Burnham
- Carolyn Benton
- Sneed Family
- Rett Iler
- Louise Frye
- Caroline Mixon Littlefield

Mission/Ministry Prayer

- Zion Church
- Ukraine
- Weekday Preschool
- Recovery Ministry
- James Island Outreach
- Opportunity House
- Luz Y Verdad
- Charles and Judy Dillon:
 Carpenter's House Global
- John and Yi Ling Pittman: Asia
- Pastor Marius & Cristina Moisin: Romania





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Ongoing Events

Sundays

9:00a Worship Service

10:00a Sunday Connection Groups

for all ages

11:00a Worship Service

Luz Y Verdad (Hispanic

Church)

Preschool & Children's

Worship

5:30p Celebrate Recovery

6:00p Youth Group

Monday—Friday (September—May)

9:00a - Riverland Terrace Day School 12:00p

Wednesday (September—May)

5:00p Family Fellowship Dinner 6:00p AWANA (3k—5th grade)



How to Give to JIBC

Give in person

Give online at jamesislandbaptist.com or Text the word GIVE to 843-762-0244

Mail your contribution to James Island Baptist Church

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A Look At The Numbers	
Projected budget through November 2025:	\$926,962
Actual received through November 2025:	\$968,376
2025 weekly budget requirement:	\$19,312
This week's budget receipts: 11/30/25	\$38,664



Wednesday, December 17, 2025

Chicken noodle soup, Vegetable soup, cornbread, salad and dessert

\$5 adult, \$3 per child

There are so many great things happening at JIBC and we don't want you to miss out! You can stay connected several ways:



The Church Website: www.JamesIslandBaptist.com

The Church App: Download the church app from your app store. Search "James Island Baptist SC".

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The Messenger: In addition to receiving a hard copy, you can view it on the website or the church app. If you'd like to receive an emailed copy, please contact neale@jamesislandbaptist.com.