

THE ALEXIS INFORMER

OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF ALEXIS BAPTIST CHURCH



As we enter this season of gratitude, we are reminded that thanksgiving is far more than a holiday tradition—it is a posture of the heart. Scripture calls us to “give thanks in all circumstances,” not because every moment is easy, but because God is faithful in every moment. Gratitude opens our eyes to the blessings we often overlook: our families, our church, the friendships that sustain us, daily provisions we take for granted, and the grace that carries us forward. When we pause to give thanks, we realign our hearts with God’s goodness and renew our joy in Him. This season, may we choose to live gratefully—not only with our words, but with lives that reflect thankfulness to the One who gives every good and perfect gift.

In addition, I wanted to give an update about the ministry I told you all when coming to Alexis, The Grove Network.

The Grove Network is a Christ-centered coaching and consulting ministry dedicated to helping pastors, leaders, churches, and everyday people grow with clarity, strength, and purpose. Inspired by the image of a flourishing grove—where each tree supports and strengthens the others—The Grove Network provides practical coaching, strategic ministry guidance, and biblically grounded encouragement for anyone navigating the challenges of life, leadership, or transition. Our mission is simple: to cultivate healthy individuals and ministries who bear lasting fruit for the Kingdom of God, ensuring no one has to grow alone.

I believe by offering The Grove Network past the walls of our church, we can impact the kingdom in another fruitful way. I believe God will bless all of us for this effort.

Dr. Scott

WMU Mission Project

Our Mission Action Project for December is helping to restock the GGBA food pantry shelves.

Thank you for your willingness to help and be a blessing to others this Christmas season.



Save on postage this year and share Christmas cards with your church family! A special mailbox will be available in the outreach office for you to drop off cards for in-house church members. Designated members have been assigned to deliver them to each Sunday school class. We welcome small donations to help support the card ministry, but they are not required to use the service.

Dates to bring your cards:

Sunday, 12/7, Sunday, 12/14, Sunday, 12/21

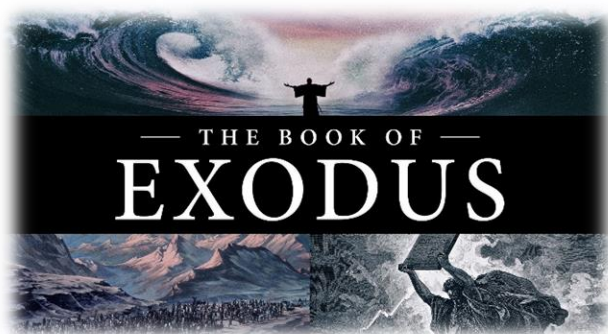
MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT MINISTRY

Sunday School AND Youth

SUNDAYS @ 9:00 AM
UPSTAIRS CLASSROOM # 300 B

We've just begun a verse-by-verse study of the Old Testament Book of Exodus which is packed full of life lessons for the followers of Jesus!

Hope to see you on Sunday!!!



EACH WEDNESDAY

GYM *and* JESUS

6:30 – 8:00 PM @ FLC

Middle and High School students are invited and encouraged to join us each week for recreation and discussion oriented Bible study geared especially for youth. Over the years, this weekly event has proven to be a great opportunity to develop friendships, have fun and, most importantly, grow in our understanding of what it means to be a disciple of Christ.

Hope to see you there --- and please bring your friends !!!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Youth Summer Camp

JUNE 20-25, 2026



NewCamp Ministries

newcampministries.com

Our Middle and High School students will again have the opportunity to attend NewCamp 2026 at Bryan College in Dayton, Tennessee on June 20-25, 2026. Additional information will be shared in January. Registration will begin soon thereafter. In the meantime, please mark your calendars to reserve the week in your personal schedules. Thank you!

Upcoming Events & Information

Dear Alexis Baptist,
I want to thank everyone for the cards and most of all your prayers as I went through lots of testing and surgery. God is so good and thankful for answered prayers.
Cornelia Pressley



BIRTHDAYS

- 1 - Cody Deal
- 2 - Brittany Skulkety, Vickie Smith
- 3 - Cole Huskins
- 5 - Nick Sadler
- 6 - Stephanie Povlich
- 7 - Jasmine Dee
- 9 - Mike Kocsis, Sidney Lanier
- 10 - Kyle Stroupe, Maggie Haymore
- 11 - Ashley York
- 13 - Miles Ross
- 14 - Austin Huskins
- 16 - Sara Clippard
- 17 - Nicholas Jackson, Reece Overkamp
- 18 - Emily Ledford
- 20 - Michael Overkamp, Hope Wagner
- 21 - Marie Lineberger, Brian Huskins, Preston Johnson
- 22 - Katelynn Stepp
- 23 - Mason Secrest
- 24 - Tony Hager, Chi Luu
- 25 - Mackenzie Stroupe
- 26 - Jeff Bumgardner
- 31 - Elijah Overkamp

ISABEL HOVIS CIRCLE: Will not meet in December

AUNT PAY PAYNE CIRCLE: Our next meeting will be Tuesday, December 30th at 7pm at Ruth Hipp's house. All ladies are welcome.

JOY CIRCLE -We will meet Thursday, December 4th at 6pm at Judy Lanham's house for our Christmas Dinner. All ladies are invited to join us for fellowship, prayer and support for missions.



Our Church wide goal this year is: **\$20,000**

We will be collecting for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering
December 7th-28th

GOOD NEIGHBORS will meet on Tuesday, December 16th at 10:30am in the hut. Please bring your favorite Christmas desserts and snacks to share. The preschool children will join us to sing a few festive songs. **We will not meet December 9th due to the beach trip.** Come enjoy a good time of fellowship with one another. See You there.



All contributions for the 2025 church year need to be turned into the church office by Tuesday, December 30th, and online gifts made by Wednesday, December 17th to be counted for the 2025. Tithing statements will be distributed in January.

BUSINESS MEETING - SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7TH

You may pick up a copy of the 2026 General Nominating Report and the 2026 Proposed Budget in the vestibule, Adult IV or in the church office on **November 23rd**. We will vote on these items during our business conference, following the morning service on **December 7th**. Please prayerfully consider the recommendations of these items.

Notice

You may pick up your **2025 offering envelopes on or after December 14th**. They will be located in your Sunday School class or on the front pew in the Sanctuary.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

- 2 – James & Sandy McClure
14 – Steven & Camilla Weathers
17 – Ronnie & Michelle Hersey
18 – Terry & Judy Waldrop
26 – Pete & Gail Bynum



Merry Christmas
From:
Dr. Scott,
Scott, Nathan,
Michelle & Mandy

LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS SUPPER

Join us for the **Lottie Moon Christmas Supper** on **Sunday, December 7th**, at **5:00 PM** in the Family Life Center. Guest speakers Edward Braswell and members of his team will share their experiences from their mission trip to Brazil. A meal will be provided following the presentation.

CHRISTMAS CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

You're invited to join us for our special **Candlelight Service** on Sunday, December 21st, at 6:00pm. Come experience the peace and beauty of the season as we celebrate the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

MERRY CHRISTMAS



DECEMBER 2025

ALEXIS KIDS NEWSLETTER



CHRISTMAS LIGHTS TUESDAY, DEC. 2 @ 5PM

OPEN TO ALL KIDS UP TO 5TH GRADE *(5YR OLD AND UNDER WITH PARENT OR GUARDIAN)*

We will leave the church at 5PM, Go to eat at McDonalds for dinner, and then head to McAdenville to walk through the lights.

Cost = FREE

For more information & to Register your child



AWANA CHRISTMAS PARTY

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 17 @ 6:30 PM 1ST-5TH GRADERS



Come on over for some holiday cheer! We'll have yummy food and then we'll play some Christmas games. You could win some really cool and fun prizes to take home! 🎄😎

UPCOMING DATES

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| NOV. 26 | - NO AWANA | DEC. 21 | - CANDLE LIGHT SERVICE @ 6PM |
| DEC. 2 | - MCADENVILLE LIGHTS @ 5PM | DEC. 24-26 | - CHURCH CLOSED |
| DEC. 7 | - KIDS SING DURING MORNING WORSHIP | JAN. 1 | - CHURCH CLOSED |
| DEC. 17 | - AWANA CHRISTMAS PARTY @ 6:30PM (LAST AWANA UNTIL JAN. 7) | JAN. 7 | - AWANA STARTS BACK |

FREE FAMILY ADVENT GUIDE

It's the most wonderful time of year, but it can be a bit overwhelming. Grab a free Family Advent Guide in the lobby to help set aside intentional time to connect this season and focus on Jesus, the greatest gift of all!

CHRISTMAS CANDLE LIGHT SERVICE



Join us for a special Christmas Candlelight Service on **Sunday, December 21 at 6:00 p.m.** Bring the whole family as we sing Christmas songs, hear the story of Jesus' birth, and light candles together to celebrate the light He brings into the world.

VBS 2026 JUNE 1 - 5

Mark your calendars! Vacation Bible School is coming up next year, and it's going to be a blast! It'll be from Monday, June 1 to Friday, June 5. Make sure to block off those dates so you can be a part of the fun at VBS next year!



NEIGHBORHOOD MISSIONS TEAM REPORT

"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace".

1 Peter 4:10

THESE PICTURES ARE A POWERFUL TESTAMENT TO THE BROTHERLY LOVE AND UNBREAKABLE BOND SHARED BY THE MEN OF ALEXIS BAPTIST AND THEIR CHRISTIAN BROTHERS. WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR THIS RICH FELLOWSHIP, WHICH MEETS TWICE A MONTH FOR FELLOWSHIP AND WHOSE SPIRIT ENDURES WELL BEYOND THOSE GATHERINGS.



THIS GENUINE FELLOWSHIP IS SO STRONG IT FILLS SIX TABLES AND CARRIES OVER INTO THE DAYS BETWEEN

NEIGHBORHOOD MISSIONS TEAM REPORT

WHEN YOUR BUSHES GET TOO BIG TO
MOW AROUND AND YOUR TREE LIMBS
HANG TOO LOW TO MOW UNDER,
WHO YOU GONNA CALL,
"GHOSTBUSTERS"? NO!!! JOYCE CAMP
CALLED THE "BRUSH BUSTERS"! THAT
WOULD BE TIM STROUPE, TERRY
PRESSWOOD, AND RANDY
PRESSWOOD. THANKS, FELLOWS, FOR
HELPING JOYCE BY TRIMMING HER
TREES AND BUSHES SO SHE CAN MOW
HER YARD WITHOUT GETTING
"SWITCHED"!



STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

Makayla Deal - 118 Maplewood Ln., Alexis, NC 28006
Jasmine Dee - 1300 Northwest Pkwy, Apt 213, New Brighton, MN 55112

SHUT-INS OF THE MONTH

Richard & Betsy Loftin - 111 Cottonwood Dr., Mt. Holly, NC 28120
Bobby & Ann Moore - 884 Creekside Dr., Lincolnton, NC 28092

CARE GIVERS THIS MONTH EXTENDED NURSERY:

CARE GIVERS WEEK of Nov. 30

BB/Toddlers: Sceria Jenkins, Amy Jones
2/3 Yr olds: Diann Summey, Stacey Oxendine
Preschool Worship: Gail Hornack, Dawn Boone
Children's Worship: Brent Addington, Kristy Overkamp

CARE GIVERS WEEK of Dec. 7

BB/Toddlers: Denise Boggs, Millie Parrott
2/3 Yr olds: Sonya Sisk, Donna Stepp
Preschool Worship: Beth Skulkety, Angie Sadler
Children's Worship:

CARE GIVERS WEEK of Dec. 14

BB/Toddlers: Katie Parrott, Dennis Rhyne
2/3 Yr olds: Mandy Stroupe, Angel Haymore
Preschool Worship: Karen Helton, Stacey Jenkins
Children's Worship: Heather Johnson, Heather Addington

CARE GIVERS WEEK of Dec. 21

BB/Toddlers: Freda Prince, Amber Tuttle
2/3 Yr olds: Sharon Davis, Rebecca Revels
Preschool Worship: Allison Cobb, Debbie Addington
Children's Worship: Brent Addington, Hannah Richardson

CARE GIVERS WEEK of Dec. 28

BB/Toddlers: Angie Harmon, Kim Rhyne
2/3 Yr olds: Julie Clippard, Stacey Oxendine
Preschool Worship: Lisa McAlister, Sara Clippard
Children's Worship: Heather Johnson, Danielle Addington

December Ushers:

Rick Skibo, Jimmy Deese, Tom Moon, Michael Overkamp

December Greeters:

Sunday School Welcome Center: Josh & Jennifer Stroupe
Foyer Greeter: Carson Kurfees

DEACON MINISTERS

DATE	Benediction Prayer	Prayer & Walk
Dec. 7	Michael Overkamp	Josh Stroupe
Dec. 14	Bradley Stallings	Tim Jones
Dec. 21	David Lanham	Jeremy Addington
Dec. 28	Josh Stroupe	Dennis Dellinger

THE RECORD SPEAKS

	10/26	11/2	11/9	11/16
Sunday School	137	151	150	149
Worship Attendance	172	194	191	172

Budget Receipts:

Regular Offering	8,341.59	15,141.11	11,721.50	9,353.59
Weekly Receipt Needed				\$12,517.41
Receipts Needed to Date				\$575,801.28
Receipts Received to Date				\$545,031.26
Under to Date:				(\$30,770.02)

Other Receipts:

CCC			20.00	
GBA Food	50.00	50.00		
Special Love Offering				
NC State Offering	285.00	535.00	25.00	25.00
Gideons				
Lottie Moon			20.00	
Annie Armstrong				
Sales Tax Refund				
Use of Facilities	100.00	50.00	100.00	100.00
Memorials/Honorarium	25.00	50.00		
Reim/Donations	994.99	2,846.97	849.00	
Total Receipts:	\$9,796.58	\$18,673.08	\$12,735.50	\$23,515.02

Alexis Baptist Church

P.O. Box 39
Alexis, North Carolina 28006
Return Service Requested

CHURCH OFFICE

Monday - Thursday 7 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Friday 7 a.m. – 12:00 noon

Church Phone Numbers: (704) 263-2301 (704) 263-2312 Fax
Number: (704) 263-5530

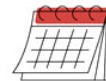
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In Memory of

Lorene Grigg - Pat & Charles Stevens
Lori McCall - Steve & Sheila Clippard, Joyce Camp
Ronnie Bynum - Joyce Camp, Steve & Sheila Clippard



Wednesday, November 26th - No Evening Services

Nov. 27th & 28th - Church office will be closed

Lord's Supper
Sunday, November 30th

Lottie Moon Supper
Sunday, December 7th @ 5:00pm in the FLC

Handbell Concert
Sunday, December 14th during worship service

Christmas Candle Light Service
Sunday, December 21st at 6:30pm

Church Office will be closed:
December 24th, 25th, 26th, and January 1st

No Evening Services on Wednesday, December 31st



NOTICE

Monthly newsletter is published the
THIRD WEEK of the month.