



# Knightly News

## JANUARY

# KNIGHTSVILLE Methodist Church

Faith - Family - Fellowship

A Church That Matters  
Mission Statement

*We will  
Glorify God,  
Commit to Christ,  
Teach the Truth,  
Fellowship through Faith,  
and  
Love the Least, Lost & Lonely.*



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8:45am Traditional Worship  
9:45am Overflow Coffee  
10am Children's Church  
10am Adult Sunday School  
11:05am Contemporary Worship  
6pm Eph 6 Youth

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*Happy New Year*



O SING UNTO THE LORD  
*a new song;*  
FOR HE HATH DONE  
*marvelous things.*

PSALM 98:1, KJV



January Birthdays:

01 Jill Hodges  
 01 Donnie Patrick  
 01 Bruce Cantley  
 01 Gloria Murray  
 02 Dorothy Rittenberry  
 02 Barbara Wilkie  
 03 Melinda Knight  
 05 Tommy Patrick  
 06 Brenda McCoil  
 09 Lisa Patrick  
 14 Ginger Atwell  
 14 Teresa Strickland  
 15 Perry Smith  
 17 Brad Bates  
 17 Carol Beck  
 18 Bruce Patrick  
 20 Jesse Absher  
 22 Belinda Beckler  
 24 Raquel Villafai ne  
 24 Charlie Cathey  
 24 Myra Ripley  
 28 Jessica Harris  
 28 Judy Stewart  
 29 Katie Carr  
 30 Nancy Gibson  
 31 Asher Harris  
 31 Alex Hayes

January Anniversaries:

02 Joe & Cheryl Myers  
 05 Roy & Ginger Beaty  
 25 FM & Karen Swanson



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Our Mission

The Global Methodist Church exists to make disciples of Jesus Christ and spread scriptural holiness across the globe.

In our worship, we desire to surrender to and be fully devoted to one God—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. We are passionate about what is important to God.

Jesus calls those who follow Him to love God wholeheartedly and love their neighbors as themselves. Our desire is to demonstrate to the world the extravagant

love of God in the person of Jesus Christ.

We have been entrusted with a lifesaving and transforming message that we must share with others. Our witness is bold, compelling and fearless.

Our mission advances when individuals become disciples of Jesus Christ and join God’s mission to make more disciples.

Our Vision

Through the empowerment of the Holy Spirit, the Global Methodist Church envisions multiplying disciples of Jesus Christ throughout the earth who flourish in scriptural holiness as we worship passionately, love extravagantly, and witness boldly.

Through our ministries, we desire to share the whole counsel of God with all peoples and to advance the presence and fulfillment of the Kingdom of God in every part of the world and at all levels of societies and cultures. The Global Methodist Church is committed to the Lordship of Jesus Christ, the inspiration and authority of the Scriptures, and the work of the Holy Spirit in conveying God’s truth and grace to all people.

We are a global church that recognizes and deploys the gifts and contributions of each part of the church, working as partners in the gospel with equal voice and leadership. Our witness to the world is marked by mutual love, concern, sharing, and a focus on those who are most vulnerable. We watch over one another in love and bear witness to the transforming power of the Good News as we humbly, but boldly, strive to serve others as ambassadors of Christ!

# Words of Encouragement

## New Beginnings Knowing God Helps You Know yourself

*By faith, Moses, when grown, refused the privileges of the Egyptian royal house (refused to be known as the son of Pharaoh's daughter). He chose a hard life with God's people rather than an opportunistic soft life of sin with the oppressors. He valued suffering in the Messiah's camp far greater than Egyptian wealth because he was looking ahead, anticipating the payoff. By an act of faith, he turned his heel on Egypt, indifferent to the king's blind rage. He had his eye on the One no eye can see and kept right on going.*  
Hebrews 11:24-26

Like Moses, we all face the same choice: Will you pretend to be someone you're not or will you choose to live as the person God created you to be?

We can live into our chosen identity in God

*But we Christians have no veil over our faces; we can be mirrors that brightly reflect the glory of the Lord. And as the Spirit of the Lord works within us, we become more and more like him.*  
2 Corinthians 3:18

or chose to live for the approval of what the world offers to drive who we are.



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New Beginnings in 2025

As you learn your God-given identity, your responsibilities will become clear.

*"Moses chose a hard life with God's people rather than an opportunistic soft life of sin with the oppressors."*

Life wasn't always easy for Moses, but God used Moses' circumstances for good. He can/will do the same for you if you chose that path and purpose.

As you get to know God better, the landscape of your life will open up as a picture of who you are and who God meant for you to be. As you mature and grow in your spiritual walk a complete understanding of your God-given responsibilities will become clearer. **That I promise!**

## New Priorities in 2025

World Value System tells us this: The 3 P's: Popularity, Pleasure and Possessions are most important in your pursuit of happiness.

Biblical Value System tell us this: The 3 P's: Purpose, People and Peace are most important in your pursuit of holiness.

Moses' gives us a clear picture of his selection of holiness verses happiness.

He valued suffering in the Messiah's camp far greater than Egyptian wealth because he was looking ahead, **anticipating the payoff**". (That cushy palace life didn't matter anymore!)

**Moses decided 3 things:**

**Fulfilling God's purpose is better than popularity.**

**Loving God's people is better than pleasure.**

**Having God's peace is better than possessions.**

As we maneuver our way through this new year may I suggest that we remember the chooses made by Moses to guide and direct our words, actions / behavior, and attitudes in being the "hands and feet" of Jesus Christ at the "most loving place in town", **Knightsville Methodist Church, a Global Methodist Community!**.

*To truly know him meant letting go of everything from my past and throwing all my boasting on the garbage heap. It's all like a pile of smelling trash to me now, so that I may be enriched in the reality of knowing Jesus Christ and embrace him as Lord in all of his greatness.*

Philippians 3:8



Happy New Year! Pastor Robert



## Silver Sheep Senior Ministry MISSION STATEMENT

The Senior Adult Ministry's mission is to provide Christian fellowship and opportunities to nurture and support one another through events, studies, and trips.

Begin the New Year by joining us for fellowship, food, and fun! We will be playing Bingo, have a guest Speaker and Lunch! Hope you will join us!

**January 17th**  
**11:00 A.M. - 1:30 p.m.**  
**Family Life Center (Gym)**

Sign-up sheets will be available to help with the head count for food **December 29th & January 5<sup>th</sup>**. A final head count is required by **January 8th**. If you have any questions, please contact Judy Orrange at [seniorministry@knightsvillemc.org](mailto:seniorministry@knightsvillemc.org)

## Knightsville Women in Christ

Aldersgate is sponsoring a women's conference, Beauty for Ashes, January 11, 2025. The event will run from 10:00 am through 2:30 pm with a luncheon included. Presenters for the day will be sharing parts of their life testimony that demonstrate how God can take the trials in someone's life and transform it into something beautiful. Please invite your friends for a day filled with offerings of hope and renewal. There's no charge for the event. Please let Jay Barnes know if you would like to attend.

Mark your calendars for January 25 at 10:00 am for a potluck brunch. Please bring a dish to share. Some items you can bring is breakfast casseroles, pastries, salads, fruit, etc. Beverages will be provided. This will be held in the fellowship hall. After brunch we will put together a care package for each of our shut-ins. Our annual tea room will be March 7 & 8. Looking for volunteers to set up March 6 and food prep. Also looking for servers, food runners, bakers, and crafters. We also have a silent auction. For those of you who are new to the church our tea room is a pop up restaurant. Proceeds go to our children and youth ministries and Pa's Food Pantry.

Our circles will meet January 14 at 2 pm and 6:30 pm in the fellowship hall. Please come and bring a friend. Please contact Jay Barnes at (843-843-2174) if you have any questions.

## Did you Know

Within any 10-mile radius of our church you will find so many types of worship, styles of worship and even a different focus of those worship services. In my years attending and planning worship we have seen Cowboy church, Traditional church, and Contemporary/blended church. Even within these worship formats, no two are the same. We heard choirs in cathedrals supported with pipe organs and guitars being used in a barn. We have seen clergy in robes and clergy in jeans. We have seen it all.

But the question that should be asked is: **What does God want from worship?** Too often after worship, folks would leave the church and say to me in my role as a church pastor: "Nice service, I really enjoyed it? Enjoyed it?" I always asked them: "But what part of worship did you truly encounter the living Christ? The music? A scripture reading? Part of a sermon? Someone's testimony? Singing Happy Birthday?" What part in the service did you truly worship?

Let us look at scripture to see what God wants. There are too many to list, so I selected some scripture for this topic. You can do your own search: Each of these should inspire enthusiastic worship as you **Come, Hear, Respond and Go.**

**John 4:23** But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him.

**Psalm 150:6** Let everything that has breath praise the LORD! Praise the LORD!

**James 5:13** Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing praise.

**Psalm 95:6** Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!

**Hebrews 12:28-29** Therefore let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe, for our God is a consuming fire.

**Psalm 29:2** Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.

**Romans 12:1-2** I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

**Luke 4:8** And Jesus answered him, "It is written, "You shall worship the Lord your God, and him only shall you serve."

**Isaiah 25:1** O LORD, you are my God; I will exalt you; I will praise your name, for you have done wonderful things, plans formed of old, faithful, and sure.

**Revelation 4:11** "Worthy are you, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created."

**1 Chronicles 16:29** Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering and come before him! Worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness;

**Psalm 96:9** Worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness; tremble before him, all the earth!

**1 Chronicles 16:34** Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!

**Romans 14:11** For it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess to God."

I truly hope that you will look at worship and your personal experience towards worship through the lens of God. We **Come** each week to give Him Praise. To **Hear** the Transforming Word of God. We **Respond** by our offering, receiving Holy Communion, sharing testimony, praying and more.... then we **Go** out each Sunday to be the Hands and Feet and the Light of Christ to all we do and to all we meet. Happy New Year.

Happy New Year, Pastor Bill Masciangelo

## KMC In Action



## Sunday School Classes

**Kingdom Heirs** is an interactive Sunday school class where attendees share in each others lives from week to week. We believe that everyone in our class is fully capable of teaching life lessons. David and Tricia Beal facilitate discussions and encourage everyone to participate in the current lesson. We are currently working on a six week Bible study based on "It's a Wonderful Life" this lesson will take us through the end of the year. Our next bible series will begin in early 2025. This lesson is from the book "Twelve Ordinary Men" and is an in depth study of the twelve disciples.



The **Sue Knight** Sunday School Class has been in meeting at Knightsville Methodist Church for over 3 decades. It is a class made up of mature older adults, both singles and couples, who gather weekly in a circle of love arrangement to support and add to the spiritual maturity of its members through weekly Bible study, prayer and Christian fellowship. The class is led by the husband-and-wife team of Shawn and Dianne Boykin, and you can always count on a study that brings life lessons right out of the pages of God's word.



New Adult Sunday School class.... **Abundant Life**

Due to the growth of our current adult Sunday School Classes and to provide the opportunity for more people to attend and actively participate in the discussions, we have decided to start an additional class for adults. This class will begin on Sunday January 5<sup>th</sup> and will be facilitated by Jim and Martha Vaughn. The inaugural class curriculum will be titled Great Characters of the Bible (52 Lessons On How God Used Ordinary People To Accomplish Extraordinary Tasks). The class will tentatively meet in room 104 across from the pastor's office and the designated Sunday School hour which is generally 10am. Study books will be furnished at no cost to participants. The class title is 'Abundant Life.'



The **Purpose Driven** Adult Sunday School Class is a welcoming, prayer centered, interactive space where we delve deeply into scripture through discussion and personal reflection, aiming to apply biblical teachings to our everyday lives, fostering a strong sense of community and fellowship among members while encouraging open questions and diverse perspectives on the text; it's not just about learning facts, but about real-life application and spiritual growth together. \*We are currently going through the book of Revelation\*

## KMC Kids/Youth



**When: Sunday 10:00 am-12:00 pm**

**Where: Fellowship Hall**

If you are interested in information or would like to volunteer,  
please email [children@knightsvillemc.org](mailto:children@knightsvillemc.org)

We are in need of volunteers to help facilitate the Squires Ministry lesson on Sunday Mornings. Please consider volunteering. We cannot have a ministry without help.

**January 19<sup>th</sup> 10:00 am Goodies with Grandparents**



**When: Sunday 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm**

**Where: Eph 6 Room (Fellowship Hall)**

If you are interested in information or would like to volunteer,  
please email [youth@knightsvillemc.org](mailto:youth@knightsvillemc.org)

We are in need of volunteers to make Eph 6 a success. We really need some male leaders. We currently have none.

**January 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Lip Sync Contest**

## Support Groups & Ministries

**3rd Thursday—While We're Waiting**

**A Support Group for bereaved parents.**

**6:30-8:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall**

**Point of Contact: Thomas & Jill Henry; [tah5010@aol.com](mailto:tah5010@aol.com)**

### While We're Waiting Support Group for Bereaved Parents - Summerville, SC

... for parents grieving the loss of a child at any age

We invite you to join us for a time of hope and encouragement in Jesus Christ.

This group typically meets on the third Thursday of every month from 6:30 - 8 pm. Meeting this month on:

**Thursday, January 16**

**at Knightsville Methodist Church**

**1505 Central Avenue**

**Summerville, South Carolina**

For more information, call or text Jill Henry at 843-509-0324 or Thomas Henry at 843-509-6843 or send an email to [tah5101@aol.com](mailto:tah5101@aol.com).

[www.WhileWereWaiting.org](http://www.WhileWereWaiting.org)

**4th Thursday—Stephen Ministry**

**7 pm in the Fellowship Hall**

**Point of Contact: Pam Hoard**



## WE CARE COMMITTEE

The We Care Committee needs YOUR Help!

Please consider signing up to assist during various events. Signing up does NOT mean that you are signed up for every event. It just means that you will be called to see if you are available.

You can sign-up to set-up an event, clean-up, serve, or help in the kitchen.

Help as often as your schedule allows.

Please contact Michelle Hammond or the Church office to sign up.



The KMC Food Pantry will be open the 2nd & 4th Friday of January from 9 am-11 pm. You can drop off donations at the church office.



The AV Team is looking for help, if interested please email [Avdept@knightvillekmc.org](mailto:Avdept@knightvillekmc.org)

## Pa's Pantry Items of Need



### Upper Room

The Upper Room is a daily devotional guide published quarterly. Copies are located outside the church office.

## Breakfast Club EVERY MONDAY

Perkins Restaurant  
1700 Old Trolley Rd  
10AM

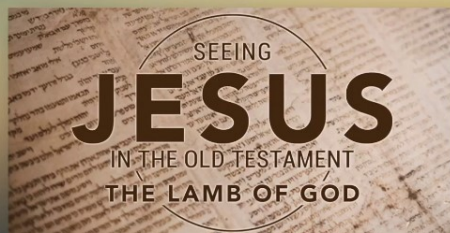
No RSVP Required!



## Thursday Morning Bible Study

9:30 AM

Fellowship Hall



Join our Chancel Choir!

Rehearsals in the Sanctuary

Wednesday's 6:00 PM

Sunday's 8:15 AM

## Prayer Shawl Ministry

Do you know how to knit or crochet?

Do you want to learn?

A group of women meet once a month to gather these prayer shawls, pass out free donated yarn, and visit as they work. Most of the shawls get completed at home and brought back the next month.

A shawl can be any size. 12 inches by 40 inches or think of a large scarf and that would be a place to start. As you knit or crochet pray over you work for those who will be receiving the Shawl. They are given to Pastor Robert to take to shut ins, visitations at hospitals and nursing homes. It allows the receiver to know someone has prayed for them and they are not forgotten.

Come one, come all – 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday morning of every month at 10:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall. The next meeting is December 17th. P.S. Men can learn too. Find a new hobby and join us in this mission. For more information call Ginger Atwell 843-693-0859.



Prayer Shawl Ministry

## Pickle & Praise



Pickleball & Praise is held in the KMC Family Life Center every Sunday from 1pm-3 pm and every Wednesday from 6pm to 8pm. It is free to participate and there is no reservation required.

We hope to add League play in the Future. Contact Bill or Claudia Persavich with any questions. Bill: 814-979-6401; Claudia: 450-289-7842.

## Passionate Worship

*“The Global Methodist Church envisions multiplying disciples of Jesus Christ throughout the earth who flourish in scriptural holiness as we worship passionately, love extravagantly and witness boldly.”*

----GMC Vision statement

The vision of the GMC is rooted and grounded in making disciples. Period. No excuses. No apologies. No pretenses. No regrets.

To make that vision a reality requires a commitment to personal holiness as defined by Scripture and lived out in the three basic foundation blocks: passionate worship, extravagant love and bold witness. Last month, we touched upon worship; this month, let’s look at BOLD WITNESS.

First, how do you imagine or define bold witness? Is it standing on a street corner with a bullhorn declaring “TURN OR BURN” to everyone you see?

Is it giving a New Testament or a Bible tract to everyone you ever meet?

Is it having a bright neon, glow-in-the-dark orange “Honk if you love Jesus” bumper sticker on your vehicle?

The answer to that first question begins with your answer to one other question: Who is Lord of your life? Is Jesus Christ “the” Lord of your life or is He someone to whom you pledge allegiance but is not exactly a “lord” at all?

In today’s secularly-driven culture, being a “storefront” Christian is about as far as most folks go in making Jesus Lord and Master of one’s life. Our culture’s insistence and emphasis upon “being my own person,” or “following my own heart” does not equate with making Jesus Christ Lord and Messiah.

When you make Jesus “Lord of your life,” you give up all pretense of being your own person and embrace the concept of becoming more like Jesus minute by minute, hour by hour, day by day.

Many would call that an “obsession” and that’s exactly what it is: an obsession to be like Jesus so much, both inwardly and outwardly, that in your living you become the “bold witness” for Christ which disciples of Christ are called to be. Your life as a disciple of Christ; your actions, your words, your way of treating and relating to others; the empathy and sympathy you share with others is “the” best witness anyone will ever hear or see.

That’s tough, I know. It’s not easy being a sold-out, dedicated disciple of Jesus Christ. If it was easy, everyone would be doing it and that narrow road of which Jesus spoke numerous times would be filled to overflowing capacity with disciples. But we know that narrow road is not overcrowded because the wide, not-a-path-to-Jesus is far, far more comfortable and easy.

When Jesus Christ is your Lord; and you become the bold witness Jesus wants you to be, He gets to tell you whose feet you will wash; where and whom you will serve...and not the other way around. Because if you want to cling to the idea that you can tell Jesus whose feet you will or won’t wash; what folks you or won’t serve or welcome; then you are in fact the lord of your life and Jesus is not Lord of your life.

I know, that’s a hard statement. I know, that’s not an easy thing to hear. I know, it’s not a great advertising slogan. I get all that. And so does Jesus.

John Wesley’s great Covenant Prayer is a wonderful New Year’s lesson to remind us of how we can make Jesus Christ Lord of our life.

Here it is paraphrased:

*Lord Jesus Christ, I am no longer my own, but I am Yours.*

*Put me to what You want me to do; put me with whom You want me to serve.*

*Put me to witnessing; put me to suffering.*

*Let me be at work for You or put aside for You.*

*Let me be acclaimed in Your name or persecuted for You.*

*Let me be full of Your grace or let me be empty.*

*Let me have all things or let me have nothing.*

*I willingly and fully yield all my life and everything I am to You.*

*And now O glorious and Blessed Lord; Father, Son and Holy Spirit, I am totally Yours. So be it.*

*And this covenant I now make here on earth, let it be approved and endorsed in Heaven. Amen.*

Happy New Year!, Pastor Tim Reeves



## Different Parts, Different Hearts

By John Fischer

Why do we all have different passions? So everything that's supposed to get done will get done.

Sometimes we get overwhelmed because we are constantly exposed to people with various passions for service, and when they represent their cause, they are so committed to that which has captured them that we feel guilty for not sharing their zeal. We seem indifferent in comparison.

When I was in college, we had chapel every day and almost every day we heard a message from someone who had a passion for some particular ministry. They were usually in some ways recruiting us for service, whether it was in missions, or in the church, or in society, or among the poor. It was overwhelming, and often frustrating, because everyone made every concern sound like the only thing any caring person would support.

The same thing happens in our churches. Sometimes we feel guilt because we don't have the same passion as the last person who talked about missions, or abortion, or the homeless, or marriage, or singleness, or men's ministry, or AIDS prevention, or prisons, or evangelism, or the military. What we forget is that there are so many needs because there are so many of us to meet them. We aren't supposed to get our bell rung by every appeal that comes by. We are a body made up of different parts and different hearts; we don't have to all be moved by the same issues and needs.

This is where the concept and the practical nature of spiritual gifts come in. There are a variety of gifts and there are a variety of ministries, but the same Lord working in all and through all. No one has to do everything; no one can. It is up to us to find out where we fit and what God put us here to do. Soon you will be just as passionate about something because it's your thing. This is the way it's supposed to be. We only get frustrated when we forget this and try and take on everything, or get so overwhelmed that we take on nothing at all.

All of this should just make us marvel at the wisdom of God even more. He's designed us all with different abilities and different interests so that we are not only good at what we do, we do not have to be frustrated or depressed over what we aren't good at. When we all do our part in the body of Christ, everyone gets a job, everyone gets honored and everyone's important. That's the way it's supposed to be.

# DISCIPLE 1

## Becoming Disciples Through Bible Study

**I wonder who made me and my world. If there is a creator, what is this creator like? Why was I made? Scientists say some rocks are billions of years old and stars millions of light years away. In a universe so big, surely, I am only a speck of dust.**

**Does God really have anything to do with me?  
Does the Bible have any answers or power to offer me?**

**The goal of Disciple 1 is to develop disciples for Jesus Christ who know and love God's Word. Throughout this study, you will be reading Scripture. As you read it, take notes and write down your reflections and/or questions in your manual. Daily assignments will guide you in reading the Bible, your manual, and preparing you for your next group get together.**

**Pastor Bill and Susan Masciangelo  
will be leading these weekly study groups starting:  
March 11th thru May 27th on  
Tuesday evenings from 6-8 pm and  
Thursday mornings from 10 am-12 pm  
In the Fellowship Hall Stephen Miller Conference Room**

**Participants will need to register for the class by February 23rd.**

**Email Pastor Bill for more details:  
pastorbill@knightsvillemc.org**

## Coming in 2025, Transformational Small Groups!

### What is a Transformational Small Group?

A "Transformational Small Group" takes place in a small group setting, designed to facilitate significant personal growth and spiritual development among its members through deep sharing, accountability, and intentional focus on applying teachings to daily life, leading to meaningful life changes and a closer relationship with God; it goes beyond just studying information to actively cultivate transformation in individuals within the group.

Key points about Transformational Small Groups:

- Deep relationships**- Members build strong connections with each other, fostering a safe space for vulnerability and honest sharing.
- Active participation**- Emphasis on applying teachings to personal situations and actively reflecting on how to live out faith in daily life.
- Accountability**- Group members hold each other accountable for their commitments and spiritual growth.
- Leader focus**- Leaders are trained to guide meaningful discussions and encourage personal reflection.
- Kingdom-oriented**- Focus on how to live out faith in service to others and advancing God's kingdom



The wait is over! I am blessed beyond belief to announce to you that a new small group experience at Knightsville Methodist Church is ready to launch. You have been hearing about it for several months and now we are finally ready to begin to form groups.

First, let me give you a brief introduction. The name says it all. **Going Deeper**, because we seek believers who have a desire to go deeper in many aspects of their relationship with Jesus Christ and others in their small group of fellow believers. The **TLC** part of the name is a catchy way to describe what happens to a group participant as they "Go Deeper." They begin to experience TLC that is "Transforming our Lives through Christ" as a by-product of meeting weekly to pray for the Holy Spirit to come and join them as each member of the group has a "**Sharing The Faith**" moment. While sharing your faith with each other you will talk with each other about your daily and regular **Acts of Piety**, that keep you centered on God's Word. You will share and hear about specific events and times from the past week where you **felt the presence of Christ** walking beside you in your life. You will share, and hear about encounters where you had the opportunity **to be God's beacon of hope for somebody**. In addition, you will share how you and the others feel that **your faith has been tested**. Individually you will declare and hear from others about their **plan for study and action for the coming week**, in order to see our lives through the lens of Christ. Finally, the group will intimately **share prayer requests, concerns and praises**. Sounds a little different, right?

This may sound intimidating to some, but don't discount the transformational power of developing close knit bonds with other believers and hearing that we all have the same fears, trials and tribulations. There is something miraculously transforming when you hear stories from others as they recall times from their week where they encountered a situation or event where they felt the closeness of Christ. You will begin to look for and note these occurrences in your own lives, just so you can share at the next small group meeting. And as you transform, your group members will transform. And as the groups transform, our church will begin to transform as well.

#### Well, are you ready to blast off with us?

Here is a list of the current groups that are open to join. In order to add some identification to the groups we are calling the groups TLC "followed by the name of a first century Christianity town or village." The groups are limited to 6 members to insure confidence and intimacy. The meetings will be weekly and the time limit of 60-75 minutes will be stringently adhered to. Find a group that you are interested in and reach out to the leader by phone and claim your spot.

**TLC Malta**: Wednesdays at 2pm (male/female)

Lead by Al and Kathy Beaty hosted in their home in Cresswind  
**(469) 236-1480**

**TLC Patmos**: Tuesday evenings at 7:15pm (male/female)

Lead by Doug Hammond and hosted at Knightsville Methodist Church  
**(843) 323-9234**

**TLC Magdala**: Monday evenings at 6pm (female only)

Lead by Michelle Hammond and Amber Cathey and hosted in Amber's home in White Gables  
**A (843) 810-3481 or M (843) 693-7278**

**TLC Ephesus**: Tuesday mornings at 10am (male/female)

Lead by Pamela Hoard and hosted in her home at 640 Snow Owl Drive, Summerville  
**(843) 367-6574**

**TLC Nazareth**: Tuesday afternoon at 3pm (male/female)

Lead by Rick Stoltz and hosted at the Crestview 55+ Clubhouse  
**(304) 676-1333**

**TLC Smyrna**: Saturday afternoon at 4pm (male/female)

Lead by David and Trish Beal at Knightsville Methodist Church  
**(843) 209-5242**

**TLC Jerusalem**: AM time TBA (male/female)

Lead by Jan Brown at Knightsville Methodist Church  
**(843) 489-0203**

**PLEASE CONTACT A LEADER TO ARRANGE A SPOT IN THE GROUP OF YOUR CHOICE. GROUP SIZE IS LIMITED TO 6 GROUP MEMBERS. IF RESPONSE DICTATES, I WILL BE MANAGING A WAITING LIST AND WILL BE ARRANGING FOR ADDITIONAL LEADERS AND GROUPS TO BE FORMED.**



- 01 JAN** – **HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!!!!**
- 02 JAN** – Bible Study 930a, Fellowship Hall
- 03 JAN** – Plastic Mat Ministry 1p-3p, Fellowship Hall  
HOPE Mission Ministry-Parents Night Out 6pm-10p, Family Life Center
- 05 JAN** – Choir Rehearsal 815a, Fellowship Hall  
Traditional Worship Service 845a, Sanctuary  
Overflow Coffee 930 – 11a, Family Life Center  
Adult Sunday School 10a, Educational Building  
Children’s Church 10a, Fellowship Hall  
Contemporary Worship Service 1105a, Family Life Center  
Pickle Ball Open Play 1p-3p, Family Life Center  
EPH6 Youth Group 6p, Fellowship Hall
- 07 JAN** – Boy Basketball Open Gym 7-9p, Family Life Center
- 08 JAN** – Pickle Ball Open Play 6p-8p, Family Life Center  
Choir Rehearsal 600p, Sanctuary
- 09 JAN** – Bible Study 930a, Fellowship Hall
- 10 JAN** – Food Pantry 9a-11a, Fellowship Hall
- 11 JAN** – Men’s Breakfast Club 7a-830a, Family Life Center  
Youth Basketball League 9a-4p, Family Life Center
- 12 JAN** – Choir Rehearsal 815a, Fellowship Hall  
Traditional Worship Service 845a, Sanctuary  
Overflow Coffee 930 – 11a, Family Life Center  
Adult Sunday School 10a, Educational Building  
Children’s Church 10a, Fellowship Hall  
Contemporary Worship Service 1105a, Family Life Center  
Pickle Ball Open Play 1p-3p, Family Life Center  
EPH6 Youth Group 6p, Fellowship Hall
- 13 JAN** – Finance Committee Meeting 630p, Fellowship Hall  
Conference Room
- 14 JAN** – Women In Christ Clara Myers Circle 2p, Fellowship Hall  
Women In Christ Pearl Murray Circle 630p, Fellowship Hall
- 15 JAN** – Pickle Ball Open Play 6p-8p, Family Life Center  
Choir Rehearsal 600p, Sanctuary
- 16 JAN** – Bible Study 930a, Fellowship Hall  
While We’re Waiting For Bereaved Parents 630p-8p, Fellowship Hall

- 17 JAN** – HOPE Mission Ministry-Parents Night Out 6pm-10p, Family Life Center  
Silver Sheep Ministry 11am-130pm, Family Life Center
- 18 JAN** – Men’s Breakfast Club 7a-830a, Family Life Center  
Youth Basketball League 9a-4p, Family Life Center
- 19 JAN** – Choir Rehearsal 815a, Fellowship Hall  
Traditional Worship Service 845a, Sanctuary  
Overflow Coffee 930 – 11a, Family Life Center  
Adult Sunday School 10a, Educational Building  
Children’s Church 10a, Fellowship Hall  
Contemporary Worship Service 1105a, Family Life Center  
Pickle Ball Open Play 1p-3p, Family Life Center  
EPH6 Youth Group 6p, Fellowship Hall
- 20 JAN** – **DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY**  
Administrative Council Meeting, 7p Fellowship Hall
- 22 JAN** – Pickle Ball Open Play 6p-8p, Family Life Center  
Choir Rehearsal 600p, Sanctuary
- 23 JAN** – Bible Study 930a, Fellowship Hall
- 24 JAN** – Food Pantry 9a-11a, Fellowship Hall  
SAMA Community Worship/Prayer Service-Fellowship Meal 12-2p, Sanctuary & Family Life Center
- 25 JAN** – Men’s Breakfast Club 7a-830a, Family Life Center  
Youth Basketball League 9a-4p, Family Life Center  
Women In Christ Brunch 9a-1p, Fellowship Hall
- 26 JAN** – Choir Rehearsal 815a, Fellowship Hall  
Traditional Worship Service 845a, Sanctuary  
Overflow Coffee 930 – 11a, Family Life Center  
Adult Sunday School 10a, Educational Building  
Children’s Church 10a, Fellowship Hall  
Contemporary Worship Service 1105a, Family Life Center  
Pickle Ball Open Play 1p-3p, Family Life Center  
EPH6 Youth Group 6p, Fellowship Hall
- 27 JAN** – KMC KIDS Board Meeting 7pm
- 29 JAN** – Pickle Ball Open Play 6p-8p, Family Life Center  
Choir Rehearsal 600p, Sanctuary
- 30 JAN** – Bible Study 930a, Fellowship Hall



**SAMA Community Worship/Prayer Service  
and Fellowship Meal  
Friday, January 24th 12pm-2pm  
Sanctuary/Family Life Center**

# RETURNING AGAIN THIS YEAR!



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## Holiday Dream Project



Over the past months, the Asheville, North Carolina community has faced immense challenges after the catastrophic storm Helene. Many families continue to navigate economic hardships and significant disruptions. But once again, Knightsville Methodist saw this as an opportunity to “see a need and meet a need”.



Your generosity brought Christmas joy, hope, and comfort to the families in this impacted area. Through your willingness to be the “hands & feet” we delivered over \$7,000 of designated gifts, hygiene products, baby supplies and homemade quilts.

