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**DECEMBER, 2020 - JANUARY 2021**

MESSAGE FROM CHRIS...

**2020 - The Year in Review**

For many of us, we will be happy to see the year 2020 go and will welcome the new year in with great anticipation of what it may bring. This year will go down as one of the craziest in history. We have seen a global pandemic, large fires, record number of hurricanes, a year without snow in WNC, and topped off by an insane national election. So in our minds we are wondering what 2021 will bring. The truth is none of us knows. What we do know is this: COVID-19 will still be around, the election is still ongoing, and the economy will still be struggling to bounce back, and we also know that none of this caught God off guard. There is no doubt that there was a list of bad things in 2020, but in the midst of all that, God has been gracious to Enka Baptist Church. In 2020, we have baptized several, had the largest number of people join the church since I have been here, our giving is strong, and the budget is balanced.

Yes, we don't know what 2021 will bring, but what we do know is Jesus is Lord, God is Sustainer, and the Holy Spirit is Leading.

“Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.” (Hebrews 13:8)

What we do know is that this same Jesus Who was with us in the 2019 pre-pandemic, was with us in 2020 during the pandemic, and will continue to be with us in 2021 as we continue through the pandemic. The Creator, Sustainer, and Redeemer of the universe is unchangeable, unshakable, and undeniable. Focus on the known rather than the unknown.

In a holiday season when we are being told by government leaders all that we cannot do, be grateful of what we can do. Our Thanksgiving and Christmas may be a lot different than what they have looked like in the past, but maybe we can view them as a more intimate and quiet setting. Know that this, too, shall pass, and whatever 2021 may bring God has given us everything we need to make it a wonderful and fruitful year.

May God bless you and your families during the Holidays!

Pastor Chris  
 #Gods\_Not\_Done



The church in America will never become desperate for God until we seek and fear Him for Who He really is. He is the one we must bow before and look to for wisdom and help during these troubled times.

“Father, help me to fear you alone and humble myself in these troubled times. May my church see a fresh vision of You as the King of Kings, who alone is our hope.”

- Source: J. Chris Schofield, Ph.D., Director of the Office of Prayer, Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, 2020, God’s Great Hope, *Pray for 30 Days Prayer Guide*, Page 34

The bulletin board will be ready on Sunday, November 29, 2020, through the month of December, for you to place a card as your Christmas greeting to the members of our church family.

On December 6, 2020, at the 11:00 A.M. service, we will have a Called Business Meeting for the purpose of approving the 2021 budget.



A little boy was at a produce bin without adult supervision. A clerk nearby watched as he stuffed grapes in his mouth just as fast as he could. The clerk really didn’t want to say anything to the child, so he was very relieved when little boy’s mother appeared. However, he was astonished when he heard the mother say, “Johnny, don’t eat so fast.”

- Source:

Adrian Rogers Ministries, Heard on CSN Radio, November, 2020

Most of us would not go into a store and steal. However, we steal from God when we don’t give Him our tithes or give Him our time to talk with Him.

Let’s make an early New Year’s resolution to start right now giving God each day all that is due Him, and continue faithfully through 2021.

*In Him and through faith in Him we may approach God with freedom and confidence. (PRAY)*  
Ephesians 3:12 (NIV)

*Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse that there may be food in my house. “Test me in this,” says the Lord Almighty, and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough for it.” (TITHE)*  
Malachi 3:10 (NIV)



**Special Reminders :**  
**Members Who Are**  
**Home Bound:**  
Earleen Cody



To each of you who have birthdays in December 2020 and January 2021, we pray you will have a wonderful day and that God will bless you greatly during 2021.

Due to COVID-19, we regret that we will not be able to hold our annual Christmas Party this year. Merry Christmas, Happy New Year, and God’s blessings on all of you for 2021.

On January 3, 2021, at the 11:00 A.M. service, we will celebrate the LORD’S Supper. Also, at that time, we will have our quarterly business meeting.

Two of our ladies purchased the items for the “Red Boxes” and delivered them to the Buncombe Baptist Resource Center. These will be given out at Christmas to incarcerated ladies in the prisons. Thank you for your help!

**Lottie Moon Christmas Offering**

Week of Prayer: November 29, 2020—December 6, 2020

Goal for Enka Baptist: \$1,800.00

This offering will be taken from Sunday, November 29, 2020 through Sunday, January 17, 2021.

We will not have a missions study this year.



*“We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!”*

In the event of inclement weather on a Sunday morning, please tune in to WLOS-TV 13 for our schedule that day. Closings will run across the bottom of the screen. For those of you who are on the internet, you can also check the WLOS TV13 web site.