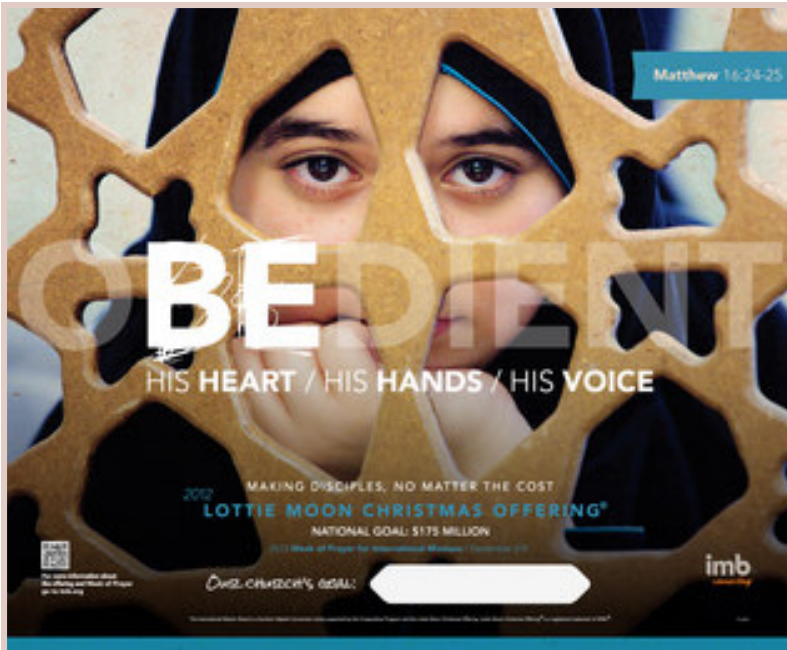


December 2012-  
January 2013

Big Hatchie Baptist Association

# HERALD



**BE His heart, His hands, His voice**

**Week of Prayer, Dec 2-9, 2012**

**National Goal: 175 Million**

Focus Scripture: Matthew 16:24-25, HCSB

**Merry Christmas  
& Happy New Year!**

*From BHBA Staff & Counselors*



**Reminder: BHBA Office will be closed Dec 21-Jan 1**



**Bible Drillers, Changes** in verse cards for those who use the HCSB.  
**Please Note:** NIV version will no longer be used. Only KJV or HCSB

2012-2013 **CYCLE BLUE** cards available at BHBA.

*Bible Skills, Drills & Thrills Leader Guide* is available for churches to check out at the associational library as well as *Bible Drill Competition Guide*.

Associational Bible Drill Training in January. Date and Time to be announced. All BHBA churches doing Bible Drill, please call the office to sign up your church and receive Bible Drill News.

**Association Drill:** Dates & Times to be Announced

**Regional Drill:** Dates & Times to be Announced

**State Drill & Youth Drill** Date: April 27, 2013 @ Leawood East Baptist Church, Cordova on Houston Leve



**Thursday, December 6, 2012 @ 6:30 pm**

**Pastor's Spouse & Widows Christmas Dinner-No Charge**  
**Liberty Baptist Church, 2097 Holly Grove Rd., Covington**

**\*\*\*\*\*The Meal will be catered by Wells Kitchen & Entertainment provided by Charles Pratt\*\*\*\*\***

Simply call Big Hatchie Baptist Association at 901-476-6759 to make reservations and choose either **Grilled Steak** or **Chicken** as your meal choice.

We hope to see you to celebrate the Christmas holiday together!

**FROM OUR DIRECTOR, Stan Smith**

**Christmas** is a wonderful time for celebration; not just for presents, decorations, family meals or time off from work, but for *Jesus Christ* coming to earth to give Himself for our salvation and eternal life. The heart breaking reality is that millions of people will celebrate Christmas without Christ. "Sharing Jesus" is the best gift that we can give to those who are not believers.

One of the great opportunities to Share Jesus is by giving to the **Lottie Moon Christmas Offering** which helps support our missionaries all around the world.

BHBA Youth Camp is June 3-7 with our recent Crusade Evangelist, Ken Freeman, returning to be the camp pastor. I would like to recognize Beaver Baptist Church for graciously committing to give \$1,600 towards Ken's expenses including travel. If twenty churches would consider giving \$100 or more, it would cover the entire cost. God provided the financial needs for the Distribution/Crusade and I know that He will again because Big Hatchie takes great steps of faith.

On behalf of your BHBA staff, Monica and I would like to wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! Thank you for the privilege to serve alongside you in "Sharing Jesus" in our association.

Serving Together For His Glory, *Stan*

**From our WMU Director, Gail Yarbrough**

2013 is the 125th Anniversary for Woman's Missionary Union. Time to celebrate!

Thank you Bobbie Wylie, Mary Sam White, and the ladies of Brighton First Baptist Church for the beautiful Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer on Nov. 5th. So much effort-so many blessings. There were 23 in attendance from 6 churches and \$330 was given to help women and children around the world.

I'm praying for all of you as you study, pray and give during the **Week of Prayer for International Missions and Lottie Moon Christmas Offering on Dec. 2-9**. The more you know-the more you pray and give.

**The Big Hatchie WMU Leadership Team meeting** is at 6pm on Dec. 11 at the association office. Bring a dish for pot luck and a wrapped Christmas ornament to share. The Nominating and Myra Short Scholarship Committees will be appointed and plans for the **Jan 8 Quarterly Meeting** will be made.

**WMU Quarterly Meeting**  
**Location: Covington First Baptist Church**  
**Date & Time: January 8 at 10:00 am**

\*\* (Lunch will be served by Host Church) \*\*

**For Directions** call the Church Office 901-476-2489  
**Mission Action Project:** Confidential Care for Women

As of Nov. 3rd, the Missionary House Fund was \$250,000. The goal is \$300,000. Pray about this House being a part of your giving in 2013. Remember 125th Anniversary for WMU is 2013-Celebrate all the Lord Jesus has done for you!

Have a Jesus-filled Christmas and New Year. *Gail* 901-476-2642

<i>Restricted Gifts</i>	<i>Oct. 2012</i>	<i>Oct. 1, 2012— Oct. 31, 2012</i>
Ashport	175.03	175.03
Beacon Light	0.00	0.00
Beaver	125.00	125.00
Bethlehem	0.00	0.00
Brighton	335.43	335.43
Calvary	432.00	432.00
Calvary Hill	236.25	236.25
Central	0.00	0.00
Charleston	546.23	546.23
Cornerstone	120.00	120.00
Covington First	833.33	833.33
Cross View	0.00	0.00
Crossway	0.00	0.00
Durhamville	353.00	353.00
Faith	516.67	516.67
Fellowship	842.09	842.09
First Indian	0.00	0.00
Forerunner	0.00	0.00
Fulton	20.49	20.49
Garland	696.87	696.87
Gateway	1332.03	1332.03
Grace	0.00	0.00
Hope	65.42	65.42
Immanuel	0.00	0.00
Keeling	0.00	0.00
Liberty	500.00	500.00
Mason First	0.00	0.00
Mt. Lebanon	370.00	370.00
Munford	350.00	350.00
Neighborhood	0.00	0.00
Oak Grove	558.60	558.60
Olive Branch	522.00	522.00
Pleasant Grove	922.00	922.00
Promise	0.00	0.00
Rialto	53.00	53.00
Ripley First	583.33	583.33
Salem	0.00	0.00
Smyrna	508.11	508.11
Spirit Filled	50.00	50.00
Trinity	100.00	100.00
True Life	0.00	0.00
Victory	0.00	0.00
Walnut Grove	280.40	280.40
Western Valley	0.00	0.00
Woodlawn	0.00	0.00
TBC	987.00	987.00
Other	572.00	572.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$12986.28</b>	<b>\$12,986.28</b>

**BHBA churches Thank You for your generous gifts!**

## December 2012 - January 2013 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<b>NOTICE</b>		<b>No Minister's Conference on DEC. 24. or DEC. 31</b>
Dec. 2-9		Week of Prayer for International Missions, Lottie Moon Christmas Offering
Dec 3	10:30 A.M.	Minister's Conference, BHBA Office, Speaker: Tommy Warner, lunch at a local restaurant
Dec 4	10:00 A.M.	West TN Minister's Conference, Union, Speaker: Scott Shepherd, Minister of Music, FBC Paris, with West TN Ministers of Music
Dec 6	6:30 pm	<b>Pastors, Staff &amp; Spouse &amp; Pastors Widows Christmas Dinner</b> <b>Family Life Center</b> , Liberty Baptist Church, 2097 Holly Grove Road, Covington, TN. 38019 Meal: Catered by Well's Kitchen (Grilled Steak or Chicken) Entertainment: Dr. Charles Pratt, DOM of Haywood & Fayette Counties THERE IS <b>NO CHARGE</b> THIS YEAR FOR THE MEAL <b>but reservations are necessary.</b> Please Call BHBA Office 901-476-6759 by Thursday, November 29 if possible to reserve your place and choice of meal.
Dec 10	10:30 am	Ministers Conference, BHBA Office, Speaker: Carl Funderburk, lunch at a local restaurant
Dec 17	10:30 am	Ministers Conference, BHBA Office, Speaker: Mike Melton An <b>Appreciation Christmas Breakfast</b> from BHBA Staff will be provided.
Dec 21-	through Jan 1	<b>***BHBA Office will be closed December 21, 2012 through January 1, 2013***</b>
Jan 7	10:30 am	Ministers Conference, BHBA Office, lunch at a local restaurant
Jan 7	6:30 pm	<b>BHBA Youth Camp Meeting at BHBA Office. Everyone is invited to attend.</b>
Jan 8	10:00 am	West TN Minister's Conference, Union, Speaker: Michael Kelley, Director of Discipleship, LifeWay Christian Resources
Jan 8	10:00 am	WMU Quarterly Meeting, FBC Covington      Mission Project: Confidential Care for Women
Jan 14	10:30 am	Ministers Conference, BHBA Office, lunch at a local restaurant
Jan 20		Sanctity of Human Life Sunday
Jan 21	10:30 am	Ministers Conference, BHBA Office, lunch at a local restaurant
Jan 28	10:30 am	Ministers Conference, BHBA Office, lunch at a local restaurant

### NEW TESTAMENT DELIVERY SCHEDULE

<b>Nov. 25-Dec 1</b> Smyrna	<b>Dec. 2-Dec. 8</b> Covington First	<b>Dec. 9—Dec. 15</b> Oak Grove	<b>Dec. 16—Dec. 22</b> Central	<b>Dec. 23—Dec. 29</b> Brighton First
<b>Dec. 30-Jan. 5</b> Pleasant Grove	<b>Jan. 6—Jan. 12</b> Forerunner	<b>Jan. 13—Jan. 19</b> Gateway	<b>Jan. 20—Jan. 26</b> Spirit Filled	<b>Jan. 27-Feb. 2</b> Ripley First



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**Big Hatchie Churches** Visit our website at [bighatchiebaptist.org](http://bighatchiebaptist.org) for more details about upcoming events including BHBA revivals, VBS schedules, mission projects, etc.

**Church news** you would like included in the monthly **Herald** must be in our office by the **15th** of the prior month by e-mail or in writing. Send to P.O. Box 646, Covington TN 38019, or e-mail bobbye@bighatchiebaptist.org, or cindy@bighatchiebaptist.org.

## Love Packages

**CHURCHES:** Be a part of an important ministry. BHBA office is receiving **used Christian Literature** again and we need volunteers to transport the literature to **Love Packages** in Butler IL. Call the BHBA office to volunteer—476-6759. You may also send Bibles (new or used) tracts, Christian magazines, Devotionals, & references. (No Guideposts) All used literature is donated to the above ministry. You can read about this ministry at [www.lovepackages.org](http://www.lovepackages.org)

**Call the office if you are able to deliver the used packages to Butler IL. In December or by mid January.** They have dorms available at no charge and will give groups a tour of the facility upon request.

Thank you **Trinity Baptist** for delivering the last quarters literature. \*\*\*A great ministry and mission activity.\*\*\*

**Remember our Associational Missionary Kid this Christmas Season:**

**James Clary-Sophomore at Union University**

E-mail: jclary08@hotmail.com

Address: Attn: James Clary, 1050 Union University, UU 1315, Jackson, TN 38305

## Operation Christmas Child Shoebboxes

**Over 300 Boxes** were delivered to the Big Hatchie office for Samaritans Purse-Operation Christmas Child Shoebox ministry. Thank you Fellowship Baptist for being an official drop-off point in our area.