

December 2021
College Park Baptist Church



The stars are brightly shining.

College Park Baptist Church
3435 Crill Avenue
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Our email address is: collegeparkbc@bellsouth.net

The Pastor's Thoughts

Luke 2:11

For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.

As we enter December we begin to focus on Christmas, the day on which we set aside to celebrate the birth of Jesus. He is our Savior and our Lord. Between now and December 25 a lot will happen. As we head toward that day I want to call us all to be in prayer. Let's be in prayer for God to work in our lives this season. Let's be in prayer for opportunities to be a witness to others. Let's be in prayer for God to use all that we do as a church this Christmas season. Specifically, that we would see people falling more in love with Jesus and that we would see people coming to truly know Him for the first time! Let us each celebrate Jesus with joy this season!

Merry Christmas, Pastor Pete



"Just as the founders of this church had such passion and hope for College Park Baptist by working sacrificially to produce a place where we have worshiped these 50+ years, volunteers have been working the past few weeks to refresh this home for the next 50 or so years. They have tirelessly painted the sanctuary, rebuilt the front platform, refreshed with new carpet and upcoming seating, rebuilt the sound booth and will continue with enlarging the lobby. As we know, times change, looks change and people change. The traditions of the past are priceless, and are held dear, but we can't live there. These walls and their sacred value are not diminished. Today's young families are pulled in many directions including outside interests, the internet, social media and 'church' on TV or Facebook, and away from fellowship with other believers to complete their faith. The building is a home for the fellowship, and just like our personal homes, sometimes it needs refreshing. We are continually on a quest to acknowledge the works of the past and build on that to prepare a future, while holding hands with our God who brought us together." From an current active church member.

December Birthdays

Thompson	Linda	12	2
Smith	Brenda	12	4
Reynolds	Buddy	12	5
Simon	Paul	12	5
Williams	Helen	12	9
Annis	Wayne	12	10
Ogle	Trace	12	10
Burnett	Fred	12	16
Callahan	Bennie	12	13
Kendrick	Rose	12	13
Mew	Fred	12	17
Bobbitt	Samantha	12	18
Bellamy	Jessica	12	21
Broadway	Melissa	12	22
Fricker	Anthony	12	22
Wheat	Donna	12	23
Brantley	Anita	12	26
Rosier	Faye	12	29
Keyton	Kerry	12	31



The Christmas Festival is December 4th, 5:30 to 8 pm. All volunteers are needed.

Youth workday December 11th 9 am to 12 noon.

December 12th, Sunday, 6 pm is the children's Christmas story and the birthday party for Jesus.

Family Fun Day Saturday, December 18th begins at 3 pm.

Christmas Caroling will be December 22nd after Wednesday Dinner.



The Church office is open Tuesday -- Thursday 8:30 AM to 3:30 PM. Call if you need anything. We have contacts for all types of assistance.

For any **prayer** requests or updates, please call, text, or email the information to start the prayer chain, or to reach a deacon or staff member.

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Bring your offering to the church during the week, send to our locked mailbox by US postal service, give online through the link on our website (cpbcpalatka.org), or text 386-222-6325.

Church Budget 10/31/2021: Annual expenses to date:\$106,586.39
Annual giving to date: \$116,228.02

Grow Groups (Bible Study/Sunday School/small groups) are Sundays at 9:30 am. *Please Join Us!*

"Coffee and Fellowship" in the fellowship hall at 10:30 am. Come meet, greet and visit before the Worship Service.

We prepared 55 Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child shoe-boxes this year. We will continue to collect items for next year, so watch for anything that will fit in the box for children ages 2-14.

We are also accepting money for the project "Restoring Dignity Backpacks" for children displaced from their homes. We have the backpacks but will need to fill them. You may donate in the regular offering envelopes and write VBS backpacks.

The Church Sanctuary has new carpet! The Building and Grounds Committee removed the old carpet and pews, painted walls and baseboards, and did some remodeling of the room itself. Thank you, it looks amazing. There is always more work to do to repair and maintain our church so let's keep up the good work. Thank you again.

The church is not giving up the hymnals or Bibles from the sanctuary. They are simply in storage until renovations have been completed.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 5:30pm Church Dinner 6pm Bible Studies, Youth & Children's Ministry 7pm Music	2 5:00-8:00pm PCMM	3	4 Christmas Festival 5:30 to 8:00 pm
5 9:30am Grow Groups 10:30am Coffee & Fellowship 11am Worship Service Facebook.live 6pm Christmas Story Practice	6	7	8 8am Men's Bible Study 5:30pm Church Dinner 6pm Bible Studies, Youth & Children's Ministry 7pm Music	9	10	11 Youth Workday 9am-12
12 9:30am Grow Groups 10:30am Coffee & Fellowship 11am Worship Service Facebook.live 4:30pm Church Council 6pm Children's Christmas Program and Birthday Party For Jesus	13	14	15 5:30pm Church Dinner 6pm Bible Studies, Youth & Children's Ministry 7pm Music	16 5:00-8:00pm PCMM	17	18 Family Fun Day 3pm kickball 5pm pizza 6 pm fire, smores and music
19 9:30am Grow Groups 10:30am Coffee & Fellowship 11am Worship Service Facebook.live	20	21	22 8am Men's Bible Study 5:30pm Church Dinner 6pm Christmas Caroling	23	24 6pm Christmas Eve Service	25 Merry Christmas
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Church Pastor - Pete Wilkinson
Worship Leader – Chris Stewart
Accompanist – Jeannie Brown
Chairman of Deacons – Ryan Rickett
Prayer Chain Coordinator - Mrs. JoAnn Morgan
Church Secretary – Christi Bellamy
Financial Secretary – Ilene Fulghum