



**“Mercy, peace, and love be yours in abundance.” Jude 1:2**

I chose mercy because I ask for mercy instead of judgment. We all need mercy if we are honest with ourselves. Mercy when we are out of sorts. Mercy when we are ill. Mercy when we find it hard to forgive but keep trying to forgive.

One of the beatitudes is Matthew 5:7: “Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.” I’m asking the Lord to show me how to show mercy in abundance. Along with mercy in the Scripture I have chosen for this newsletter is peace and love. Peace that passes all understanding and the love of Christ that is unconditional.

When we live this one verse of Scripture, God will strengthen us in our trials. Let’s do this together as a church family as we journey through 2026.

Blessings,  
Pastor Stephanie

### Praises and Prayer Request

#### Praises

*Elaine Boyle-Cancer Free  
Jonathan Miskell-Diagnosis  
& new medicine*

*Ed Stuart-No Watchman  
procedure*

*Tim Ward has a potential  
living donor for kidney  
transplant*

*Darrel’s family made it  
home safely*

#### Prayer Request

*Jackie Turner-Fell, surgery  
and in rehab at Encompass  
Carmen Broxson’s sister  
passed away*

*Richard & Pam Colarusso -  
Richard has surgery at  
UAB on January 6th*

*Ella Ferguson has the flu-  
Reidar & Gayle Opgaard’s  
granddaughter*

*Family of Sarah Fletcher  
Danny Crouch-Liver cancer*

*Ellis Ivy*

*Bobbie Reeves*

*Debbie’s mom has Basal*

*Cell Carcinoma*

*Zanatta Hagan-recovering  
from Pneumonia*

#### Darrel Couch

*Leigh Manning  
Smith Family*

#### Our Church Family

*Marsha Graham\**

*Zanatta Hagan\**

*Anne Kelley\**

*Deborah Lawrence\**

*Cecelia Maddox\**

*Gloria Mims*

*Nadine Newsome\**

*Linda Pulliam\**

*Jan Spencer\**

*Jackie Turner\**

#### Shut-ins

*James & Carmon Broxson\**

*Annette Farmer\**

#### Nursing Home/Assisted Living

*Mark Ann Stanford\**

*Mary Jean Jackson*

#### Extended Church Family

*Joey Alford\**

*Martin Andre\**

*John & Shirley Andress\**

*Hannah Andrews\**

*Jerrel Baxter*

*Wade Boyle\**

*Sue Brandt*

*Nathan Bryan*

*Mary Emma Calhoun\**

*Mike Carroll\**

*Kenny Carter\**

*Charles Cox\**

*Bubba Crawford*

*Danny Crouch*

*Donna Crozier\**

*Doris Daughtry*

*David Deal\**

*Eddie Deshazo*

*Robert Dowling\**

*Mary Downing\**

*Robert Dudnick\**

*Greg Enfinger\**

*Alice Jewel England\**

*Jessie Farnsworth*

*Brian Faulk\**

*Emory & Frances Foster\**

*Sharon Fuller\**

*Sandy Gassaway\**

*Chris Givens\**

*Finley Grace\**

*Megan Harrell\**

*Craig Hildebrand*

*Pat Hildebrand\**

*James Lee\**

*Les & Mary Mack\**

*Kristie Marshall\**

*Joy McAllister\**

*Vicky Meadows*

*Danielle Melvin\**

*Pam Miller\**

*Brenda Mills\**

*Duane Mims*

*Laura Minick\**

*Kathy Moore\**

*Mike Pearson\**

*Billie Register\**

*Jonathan Rice\**

*Lisa Sanders\**

*Karen Sims\**

*Frank Slaughter\**

*Madden Smith*

*Jeremy Spencer\**

*Jennifer Thompson\**

*Ilene Tracy*

*Stacy Grace Ward\**

*Stacy Watson*

*David Watson\**

*Paxton Wheeler*

*Mark Welch\**

*Beverly Zorich\**

*John Zorich\**

**\*Ongoing prayer requests**

Thank you for partnering with Operation Christmas Child and for donating online to discover the destination of your shoebox gift. The gift-filled shoeboxes you packed will share God's love in a tangible way and can impact not only the child who receives it, but also their family, friends and community. Our shoeboxes were shipped to Guatemala and Chile. Most importantly, please remember to pray for the children who received your gift.

Thank you all so much for the wonderful meal for us after mother's funeral. It was delicious! Mother loved you all dearly and missed going to church. We are forever grateful for your love and support.  
Love, Betty Watson Family

# January 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 9:00-Men's b/fast at Golden Corral
4	5	6	7 11:30 Bible Study/Lunch	8 James & Carmen Broxson	9 Pam Colarusso	10
11	12	13	14 11:30 Bible Study/Lunch	15	16 Lucy Austin	17
18	19 Leigh Manning	20	21	22 Steve Malone	23 Soup Kitchen	24
25 Anne Kelley Randy & Valerie Bynum	26 Willie & Gwen Wiggins	27 Annette Farmer Wade Miller	28	29	30	31 Sharon Smith