

**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY!**



Dec. 14 Brandon Stewart
16 Michael Crenshaw Sr.
17 Brylie Davis
18 Evelyn Bolton
Lara Riley
23 James Mitchell
24 Mary Ferguson
25 Susan Starr
27 David Propes
31 Jerri Norton

WEEKLY OFFERING RECORD

	10/30/16	11/06/16
Total Offering	13507.00	5759.40
Budget	13392.00	5653.40
Designated	115.00	106.00
SS Attendance	108	113

CHURCH STAFF

Brian Scott, Pastor
Elijah Tafao, Minister of Music
Jack Abbott, Minister of Students
Judy White, Secretary/Bookkeeper
Jean Helbig, Pianist
Rudolph Nemeth, Organist



**THE
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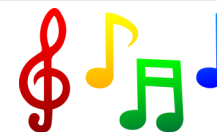
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DECEMBER SPECIAL EVENTS



December 4 and 7

RBCKids present *Really, Really, Really Good News*, 6pm

December 4-11

Week of Prayer for Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

December 11

Worship Choir presents *Adore*, 6pm

Deacon and Spouse Christmas Party, Scott's home, 7pm

December 14

TN Baptist Children's Home Angel Tree Party, 6pm

December 18

Church-Wide Caroling, 6pm

December 24

Christmas Eve Service, 6pm

December 25

No Sunday School Classes.

Christmas Morning Service, 10:50am, Lord's Supper observed.

No Evening Service.



CHILDCARE SCHEDULE

November 20, 2016

AM Birth-Two

Stephanie and Lauren Smith

PRESCHOOL PRAISE

Carol Knicely and Stacey Tafao

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Jack and Darlene Abbott

November 27, 2016

AM Birth-Two

Jenny Mitchell

PRESCHOOL PRAISE

Jack and Darlene Abbott

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Norma Carter and Marilyn Kerley

BUILDING CLOSING

November 20 Gary Garrison

November 27 Danny Stewart

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Our's is an open-minded church. We work to be unbiased, unprejudiced, and nonpartisan. With elections, there are winners and losers, yet in America, after elections, we are still "one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all." So, though individually we may feel, as Jim McKay of ABC's The Wide World of Sports used to say, "the thrill of victory and the agony of defeat," in Christ there is a better description of the ground on which we stand together as Jesus' people. It is the solid rock of unity in Christ. Hear again Paul's poignant words from Ephesians 4:1-6: "I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all." Could there be better words to guide us today? You should know there are some among us who rejoice and some who mourn the results of the presidential election. My approach to each group, and I encourage your's to be the same, is to take up the instruction of Romans 12:15 when it says, "Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep." May God lead us through these days of great potential to be people shining Christ's light.

Looking forward to being together with you Sunday,
Brian

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for sharing your love with me as we celebrated my 15th anniversary! So many cards with words of encouragement, love and gifts of appreciation. You really know how to make someone feel special, appreciated and loved.

May God bless you all,
Judy White



SYMPATHY

Pastor Scott and the church family wish to express its Christian sympathy to Ruth Smith and family in the death of her husband, Earl; to the family of Harold Hutchins in his death; to Rudolph and Eva Nemeth and family in the death of her mother.

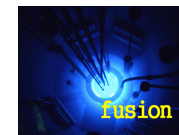
OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD



I wanted to give a quick reminder to bring shoeboxes with you to church this Sunday, November 20, where we'll pray over them and send them around the world. A huge THANK YOU to our Raising Up Rubies group who packed 21 shoeboxes last week! We're amazed at what God is doing in our midst and can't wait to see how children's lives will be changed through the gifts they receive. Continue praying for the child who will receive YOUR gift because every shoebox gift delivered by Operation Christmas Child is a tangible expression of God's amazing love. Thank you for loving the nations, RBC!

Stacey Tafao

FUSION YOUTH MINISTRY



The youth will be going to the TBCH in Oakdale this Saturday to prepare a Thanksgiving meal. I look forward to this event every year. It is always great to see how God is at work in their lives. Please consider taking a name from the Angel Tree as the girls will be here December 14 to celebrate Christmas.

I have received plenty of donations towards a teacher luncheon for RMS and it is scheduled for December 8 at the school. Thank you very much to all those that made this ministry event possible.

Love in Christ,
Jack Abbott

CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK

Children's Book Week International is observed the second week in November. RBC Library will celebrate with our children on Sunday, November 20. Sunday School teachers are invited to bring their class to the library for a short story and fellowship and allow the children time to check out a book if they choose. This is a special time to acquaint our children with their church library. Library Team