



December 15, 2019

The Pentecostals

2950 South Memorial Drive, Greenville, NC

757-3033

CHURCH SCHEDULE:

Sunday School

10:00 AM

Evening Worship

6:00 PM

Bible Study

Wednesday 7:00

P.M.

Prayer Meeting

Saturday 7:00 PM

“Enlarge the place of thy tent, and let them stretch forth the curtains of thine habitations: spare not, lengthen thy cords, and strengthen thy stakes; For thou shalt break forth on the right hand and on the left; and thy seed shall inherit the Gentiles, and make the desolate cities to be inhabited”
(Isaiah 54:2-3).

December

Building Fund– \$3686

Missions– \$1029

**We're Glad
you are here at
The Pentecostals
of Greenville.**

Jesus Christ: More Than Enough

“But godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. And having food and raiment, let us be therewith content....But thou, O man of God, flee these things; and follow after righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness. Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, whereunto thou art also called, and hast professed a good profession before many witnesses....Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not highminded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy; That they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate;” (I Timothy 6:6-17).

It is so easy to become distracted at this time of year and in all of my busyness, I have a tendency to get overwhelmed with the season in general.

As much as I try to keep it simple, it is a challenge to do so. I don't remember it always being this hurried. When I was a child, I was content to have something to unwrap. I even remember regifting some of my prized possessions, because I never had any money, but I always wanted to show how much I loved and cared for my family. One time I rewrapped a silk drawstring bag that had been given to me. It had fringe around the top and I absolutely loved it. In my thinking, it was exquisite (it came from the Thrift Shop, but when I was five, it didn't occur to me that the bag was used).

Do you know that my sister received the gift with such love and delight, not because it cost so much in dollars, but because her little sister made an unselfish sacrifice? She used it for a while and let me “borrow” it any time I wanted. I can't help but think about how times have changed over the years.

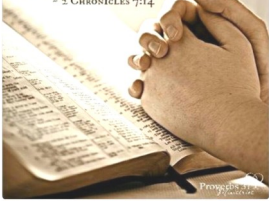
We are so busy trying to get the “perfect” gift, that we forget that in about a month or so, the receivers will probably not remember who gave what, or they may exchange the gift that you agonized over purchasing for cash or something else that they want.

I'm not being Scrooge, but for me it's time to rethink the reasons behind giving in the first place; to express love and to give someone pleasure. I have come to realize that no matter what gifts are given or received, there could always be more, bigger, better, ... Isn't it time to relax and enjoy being with your family, and not get too caught up in going into Christmas debt?

When all the gifts are unwrapped and it's time to put them all away in their places, you can avoid the holiday letdown by remembering the greatest gifts of all: Jesus Christ and the family he's provided for you to share your life.

We can celebrate life and family, today, because Jesus Christ came. May the Lord richly bless you. *gm*

"...if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land."
- 2 CHRONICLES 7:14



Rule of 5

1. Pray
2. Read the Bible
3. Be a Witness
4. Give
5. Come to Church & Worship.

"So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God" (Romans 10:17). Are you listening?

Pre-Service Prayer: Thirty minutes before services.
Pastor's Prayer Partners: Sundays at 10:00 AM
The Hour of Power: Saturdays from 7:00-8:00 PM
Pray for our Nation: Daily 7AM & 7PM.

Mission Statement:

The Pentecostals of Greenville is an Apostolic church. We are committed to exalt Jesus Christ; to worship Him in Spirit and in Truth; to proclaim the gospel; to evangelize our community; to minister to people's needs & to provide a spiritual atmosphere of fellowship and growth.



POG- 175

POGC- 37

Enfield- 17

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Contacts: 145

Visitors: 4

Home Bible Studies: 1

Holy Ghost:

Baptized:

Welcome to The Pentecostals of Greenville.

We invite you to worship freely in this place. If this is your first time visiting us at the POG, you're invited to join us immediately after service for light refreshments in the fellowship hall.

Willie's Korner



Christmas Trivia Challenge

1. What relation was the Christ Child to John the Baptist? No closer than second cousin. Luke tells us John's mother Elizabeth was Mary's cousin.

2. Who was the Roman emperor when Christ was born? - Caesar Augustus

3. Mary and Joseph journeyed from Nazareth to Bethlehem to be enrolled in the imperial census. How many miles is that? They journeyed 92.5 miles.

4. What was True Love's gift on the second day of Christmas? "Two turtle doves and a partridge in a pear tree."

5. What historic event heightened holiday spirits in Berlin a decade ago? The fall of the Berlin wall.

6. What is holly's symbolic meaning to Christians? -- To Christians, the berries are symbolic of Christ's blood, and the thorny leaves suggest the thorns in His crown.

7. True or false: The New England Puritans forbade Christmas celebrations? -- True. The Puritans considered Christmas trees and decorations to be pagan, and outlawed them in Massachusetts until 1859.

8. Why is "O Come All Ye Faithful" a Christmas carol but "Deck the Halls" not? - A true Christmas carol has to have a religious theme.

Until next time, Willie



December Birthdays

- 1 Andrew Roberts
- 2 Charlene Lappin
- 5 Kimberly White
- 5 Mark Rowe
- 8 Danielle Edmundson
- 8 Rebecca Dupree
- 8 (BJ) Alexander
- 10 Jasmine Roberts
- 12 Gini Williams
- 14 Timothy Griffin
- 16 Christina Moseley
- 16 Amber Tucker
- 17 Jacob Paige
- 23 Carson Brown
- 23 Ava Savage
- 26 Tayla Gomez
- 27 Billy Rouse
- 30 Denaijiah Trimble

If you have a birthday to add, let us know; Call 341-3437 and leave a message to include the name and the birthdate.

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