

The Alpine Gossip

Tidbits of News

The Pastor Search Committee has been working diligently for a number of months. We have read countless resumes, checked many references and listened to numerous sermons. We are currently in the process of interviewing certain applicants.

The Search Committee continues to use a prayerful approach as we move forward in this process. We continue to ask for God's grace and guidance in choosing Alpine's next Pastor. And we are grateful for your prayers, as well.

Covid-19 has certainly put a different spin on Christmas this year as far as shopping, spending time together and planning a big family meal, but it can't ruin the main reason we celebrate Christmas...the birth of our savior, Jesus Christ. I hope we all try to focus on that as we can celebrate Jesus alone just as well as in a large group. Merry Christmas to all!

Several of the ladies traveled to First Baptist Church in Sylacauga on Friday, December 4 to enjoy "Christmas on the Keyboards." It was absolutely amazing to listen to four grand pianos played in unison as beautiful Christmas music filled the room. It was a wonderful way to begin the season.

Thank you to those that helped decorate the church for Christmas. There is nothing quite like sitting in our sanctuary surrounded by beautiful decorations and listening to the music from the piano and organ and then hear a wonderful message from Tharel. With all the turmoil around us, this is a sure way to feel at peace.

Because of Covid-19, we had to cancel our usual events and activities, including the Christmas Pageant, class Sunday School party and caroling. However, we will have a special treat Sunday night, December 20, with lovely music on the piano by our own Pam Shirah and Tharel telling the Christmas story. You don't want to miss this—5:00 pm.

Congratulations to Jim and Janet Fazekas on their 67th wedding anniversary! What an accomplishment!

So exciting to have new babies in our church family...Mike and Angela Lott are the proud new parents of baby Jason Matthew and Jackie Potts has a new granddaughter, Mila Kathryn. (Luke & Liz) Congratulations!

Fun was had by all at our Trunk or Treat in the church parking lot on October 25. Thank you to all that decorated a trunk or truck and also to Preston Carmack for the hayride and thank you to all that came!





How could I possibly handle this without my church family? You are all a blessing to me and I want to thank each of you for your prayers and love shown to me. I miss Andy very much. Please know that he loved everyone at Alpine Baptist, and I am so thankful that he had this special time with you these last couple of years while living with me. Thank you for the wonderful meal after the service, the cards, phone calls, food brought to the house and memorials to the church in his memory. I can only imagine what he and Gary are doing in heaven now...but I bet there is plenty of laughter. Love, Kathy Ryan

Dear Alpine Baptist Church,

Thank you for the \$300 donation you made for the students at Graham. We appreciate your generosity and kindness. You are greatly appreciated! Graham Faculty and Staff

Thank you so much for your donation to our children. Thank you so much for the prayers. We feel the community's support. C. L. Salter Staff

Dear Alpine Baptist Church,

On behalf of Talladega City Schools, thank you for your generosity. There are so many needs and there will be even more due to the separation with Covid-19. Your kindness is very appreciated.

Pattie Thomas, Curriculum/Fed Programs, Talladega City Schools

Dear Pastor,

It is truly rewarding to know that although we are amid unprecedented times that someone is thinking of the needs of others. Your kind deeds of making a monetary donation towards the needs of our students will never be forgotten. It is with sincere gratitude that we accept the donation. In every effort, we vow to use it towards the purpose in which it was given. Again, thank you and may God's blessings rest upon you and your congregation.

Sincerely, Darius Williams, Ed.D, Principal, Talladega High School

Thank you so much for the scholarship. It will help me in pursuing my nursing career at Jeff State. Thank you also for the very nice Bible. Love, Kaylee Rice

Dear Alpine Family,

We received your note about the decrease in support for the next fiscal year and wanted to let you know that we saw it and we completely understand. Thank you so much for your generosity and your willingness to continue to give how God is leading. We will pray for you all as you continue to navigate our current uncertain situation!

God Bless, Andrew and Jen

Tharel sends his thanks for the Pastor Appreciation love gift. He and Pam are both greatly appreciated!

November & December Birthdays, Anniversaries and Events

Nov 4 Jennifer Parton

Nov 12 Sharon Killough

Nov 22 Rebecca Pruitt

Nov 26 Lindsey Stephens

Nov 27 Chandler Rhodes

Nov 28 Stan Trimm

Nov 29 Ashlee Thompson

Dec 25 Phil Smith

Dec 26 Karlie Rae Smock

Dec 28 Mike Brown

Dec 29 Mallory Morris

Dec 30 Grant Lightfoot

John Wesley Pruitt

Trevor Dyer

Dec 1 Lauren Mitchell

Dec 6 Joe Lessley

P.J. Powers

Dec 7 Penny McKinney

Dec 11 Thad Smith

Dec 14 Mary Beth Hubbard

Dec 18 Jackie Harkins

Jackie Potts

Keith McGilberry

Kiana Thomas

Dec 19 Joylyn Boggs

Dec 21 Luke Potts

Pattie Thomas

Dec 22 Kyle Killough

Dec 23 Opal Parks

Nov 1 Kevin & Maria

Nov 10 Keith & Jackie

Nov 20 John & Eloise

Dec 5 James & Janet

Dec 8 Tom & Cindy

Dec 19 Pat & Joan

Dec 29 Daniel & Lauren

Ricky & Brenda

Dec 20 Pam on Keyboard

Christmas Story

5:00 pm

Prayer List

Bereavement: The families of Carolyn Ipoc, Andy Tyler, Brittany Yoder, Mac Palmer, June Austin, Bob Limbaugh, Donald Shirah, Donald Brannon

Military: Jacob Hill, Ory Dyer, Sam McCall, Timothy Smith, Thad Smith

Missionaries: Missy Ward-Angalla, those serving in anonymity in dangerous fields, AL Childhood Food Solutions, Jen, Andrew & family

Sickness or Need: Luther Brannon, Terry Frey and family, Opal Parks, Donald Wesson, Joy Bittle, Debbie Corden, Janet Fazekas, Charles Ipoc, Brenda McBrayer, Pat Rhodes' sister, Bonnie, and a cousin in Texas, Kissic family, Grace Little, Joan Rhodes, Wallis Schuessler, Cherie Eiland, Judy Fielder, Cinda Smith, Liz Smith, Jay Smith, Larry Vincent

Praise: Don Wycoff is doing well, Bobby Cummings' bloodwork is back to normal, John Lucas Scott is back at home and doing well, Andy Bell is doing much better, Meta Stephens is doing better after her heart stent, Bob Luker is better

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