



CONNECTIONS

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Pace

And there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; and this man was righteous and devout, looking for the consolation of Israel...

Luke 2:25

Simeon was looking for the best Christmas presents for the people on his list. He was looking for the best Christmas party at work and in his neighborhood and at church. He was looking for the church with the best Christmas musical. Right?

Not really.

Simeon was looking for consolation. He was looking for comfort and help. The kind of help that rescues a mind and a heart and a soul that is in despair. The kind of help that saves a mind and a heart and a soul that is desperate. The kind of help that fills a mind and a heart and a soul with true satisfaction.

Where did he find that kind of help? In the face of a baby named Jesus.

Scotty Smith uniquely weaves the life of Simeon with the life of the holidays in these prayerful words:

Gracious Jesus, it's just a couple of days after Christmas and many of my neighbors are already taking down their lights and trees. It seems like we're always in a hurry for the next thing. Traffic never moves fast enough... waiters don't bring our food soon enough... and the mail isn't delivered quick enough. This year, "after Christmas sales" began two weeks before Christmas day. I'm no exception to this harried and hurried way of doing life.

*I guess this is one of the reasons I'm drawn to Simeon – a man who seemed to live at a different **pace** than I do. We know so little about this "righteous and devout" man, but we do know he was "waiting for the consolation of Israel" – that is, longing for the arrival of the Messiah... anticipating fulfillment of promises God alone can keep... hoping to see you, Jesus.*

For the consolation and comfort and help of our minds and our hearts and our souls, may we find more of Simeon's pace this holiday season.

Hoping with you,
Dow

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FREE 801
12th Street
Cayce.

new & gently used
toys
clothes
furniture
linens
baby items
household items
free gift wrapping

**GARAGE
GIVEAWAY**

DECEMBER 3

SATURDAY | 8-12 NOON
Holland Avenue Baptist Church
a desire to show hospitality

the gospel resounds

2016
Lottie Moon
Christmas
Offering for
International
Missions

HABC GOAL:
\$7500

**Christmas Day
Worship Only
10:30 AM**

Christmas Eve
— SERVICE —
5:30 pm

**Jesus
means Christmas
to me**

MUSICAL
WORSHIP
LED BY HABC
CHILDREN

SUNDAY
DEC. 11

**in Christmas
His Presence**

Sunday
Dec. 18

Musical
Worship
led by the
Celebration
Choir

No Wednesdays **Office Closed**
December 21 December 23
December 28 December 26

**MARK
your
CALENDAR**

What's your next step
at Holland Avenue?
info lunch | Jan. 8 | after church

next steps

STAFF CHRISTMAS LOVE OFFERING | Years ago, the church approved receiving a love offering as a unique way to thank our ministers and staff at HABC for their service to the Lord and His church. The Staff Christmas Love Offering will be received through December 11.

December Birthdays

1 Betty Brown	6 Karen Welsh	15 Barbara Hagins	22 Elizabeth Riley
1 Mary McCaskill	7 Frances Corder	17 J. Calvin Toole	23 Max Morgan
1 Bill Arnold	7 Jim Bass	17 Carson Atkinson	23 Ashleigh Stephenson
1 Susie Harbort	7 Michael Hinson	18 G.A. Weathersby	24 Roberta McCain
1 Allen Hegler	9 Anna Bryant	18 William Zeigler	24 Holly Coleman
2 Carl Payne	11 Kathy Whidden	19 Pamela Melton	25 Chantz Lucas
2 Janet Clayton	11 Joyce Kistler	19 Tiffany Ross	25 Samantha Zeigler
2 Roderic Taylor	11 Renu Day	20 Kandi Grant	28 Cheryl Payne
2 Emily Grant	11 Samuel Whidden	20 Seth Poovey	30 Diane Feaster
3 Mike Neal	12 Joyce Whaley	21 Earl Penn	30 Bailey Byrum
3 Savannah Chestnut	12 Brenda Long	21 David Riley	30 Carter Welsh
4 Timothy Sharpe	12 Kayden Brazell	22 Bonnie Thomas	31 Chris Ellisor
4 Brian Marcum	13 Casey Eubanks	22 Foye Ouzts	
5 Stefanie Keen	14 Alma Lewis		

January Birthdays

1 Martin Langston	5 Alex Poovey	13 Stacey Arnold	21 Patra Garrett
1 JoAn Roland	6 Ethan Adams	14 Ryleigh Pound	25 Duainette Cullum
1 Misty Smith	7 Peggie Hanson	15 Ann Penn	25 Jennifer Smith
2 Brandon Waring	7 Rebekah Powell	15 Missy Riley	26 Anne McAlhany
3 Charles Finley	7 Hayley Rogers	17 Dianne Weathersby	26 Jeanne Shull
3 Terry Ward	11 Wyatt Coleman	18 Jackson Marcum	27 Richard Smith
4 Whitey Covington	12 Angie Sanders	19 Allan Fowler	31 Kay Hutchinson

October Information

Attendance	
Average Sunday School	163
Average Worship	262
Budget	
Budget Offering	\$54,416.21
Bridge of Faith	\$860.00
Other Designated	\$9,218.59
Total Offering	\$64,494.80
Weekly Requirement	\$11,778.82

November Information

Attendance	
Average Sunday School	181
Average Worship	277
Budget	
Budget Offering	\$39,018.47
Bridge of Faith	\$780.00
Other Designated	\$6,800.61
Total Offering	\$46,599.08
Weekly Requirement	\$11,778.82

Welcome!

We are excited to welcome some new folks into our church family and we look forward to our days loving and serving with them as we all seek to make much of Christ together!

Ashley Rose (baptism)
 Victoria Thomas (baptism)
 Rick & Kathy Whidden (letter)
 Rick Whidden, Jr. (letter)
 Cube & Aniko Whidden (letter)
 Samuel Whidden (Cube & Ani's son)
 Mianna Whidden (Cube & Ani's daughter)

CWP | Per state law a CWP does not authorize carrying a firearm into a church or other established religious sanctuary, except with express permission of the appropriate church office or church governing body, therefore, if a person chooses to carry inside the buildings of HABC a copy of their CWP must be presented to the church office. As needed, the church reserves the right to grant or deny permission.

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday

9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

▼ December ▼

SUNDAYS

9:15 AM

Bible Study

10:30 AM

Worship

4TH SUNDAYS

9:15 AM

Prayer Time (room 105)

9:30 AM

Bible Study

10:30 AM

Worship

WEDNESDAYS

4:30 PM

Prayer for Revival

5:00 PM

Church-wide Supper

6:00 PM

Adult Bible Study

The Gathering (STUDENTS)

Children's Choir

Preschool Choir

Childcare (BIRTH - 2)

6:45 pm

Celebration Choir (ADULT)

RA's (BOYS)

GA's (GIRLS)

Mission Friends (PRESCHOOL)

Childcare (BIRTH - 2)



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

NON-PROFIT ORG.
U.S. POSTAGE
P-A-I-D
PERMIT NO. 124
COLUMBIA, SC

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
			Regular Activities			Garage Giveaway
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Regular Schedule			Regular Activities			Cayce Parade
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Regular Schedule Plus Children's Choirs Christmas			Regular Activities			
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Regular Schedule Plus Celebration Choir Christmas		Second Chance	No Activities			
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
10:30 am Service Only			No Activities			No January Newsletter