## Women on the Hill

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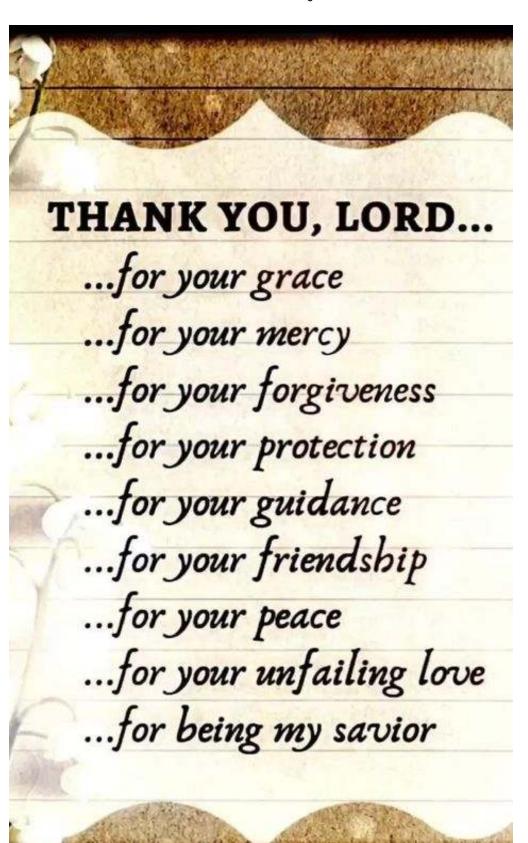
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### Praying the Promises God will change your life



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## Operation Christmas Child



October 8 - shoeboxes available November 12- last day to return filled shoeboxes to church

You may pack a shoebox online by going to <u>Samaritanspurse.org/operationchristmaschild</u>. Click on Pack a shoebox. In the dropdown box choose Build a shoebox online and follow the directions.

## How to pack a shoebox.

Select a medium to large "wow" item such as a soccer ball with pump or stuffed animal, then fill with other fun toys, hygiene items, and school supplies. Don't forget to also include a personal note and photo—sometimes these are the child's favorite things to receive!

Operation Christmas Child now also has an Amazon storefront with additional lists of quality items that are recommended for shoeboxes. As you shop, don't forget to ask God to lead you to what will particularly delight the heart of a child!

A donation of \$10 per box is critical to cover shipping and other project costs.





#### Do Not Include

Candy; toothpaste; gum; used or damaged items; scary or war-related items such as toy guns, knives, or military figures; chocolate or food; seeds; fruit rolls or other fruit snacks; drink mixes (powdered or liquid); liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items such as snow globes or glass containers; aerosol cans.

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# December Scripture Writing Plan

A Christmas Story

- Day 1: Micah 5:2
- Day 2: Isaiah 7:14
- Day 3: Psalm 72:9-11
- Day 4: Jeremiah 31:15
- Day 5: Numbers 24:17
- Day 6: Isaiah 11:1-2
- Day 7: Luke 1:26-28
- Day 8: Luke 1:29-31
- Day 9: Luke 1:32-33
- Day 10: Luke 1:34-35
- Day 11: Luke 1:37-38
- Day 12: Luke 1:46-48
- Day 13: Luke 1:49-50
- Day 14: Luke 1:51-52
- Day 15: Luke 1:53-55
- Day 16: Luke 1:67-69

- Day 17: Luke 2:7
- Day 18: Luke 2:8-9
- Day 19: Luke 2:10-11
- Day 20: Luke 2:13-14
- Day 21: Luke 2:29-32
- Day 22: Luke 2:33-35
- Day 23: Matthew 2:1-2
- Day 24: Matthew 2:10-11
- Day 25: Matthew 2:16-18
- Day 26: John 1:1
- Day 27: John 1:4-5
- Day 28: John 1:14
- Day 29: John 1:15-16
- Day 30: 1 John 5:1
- Day 31: Romans 8:2-3

Commit 10 minutes each day to read each verse, write it out in your journal, meditate on it, and reflect on what it means to you.

Kingdom Bloggers



#### Easy Breakfast Casserole

1 lb. sausage 6 eggs 2 c. cheddar cheese, shredded <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> package frozen hashbrown potatoes (15 oz.) 1<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> c. milk 1 tsp. salt <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> tsp. pepper

Preheat oven to 350°. Crumble sausage into a skillet and brown completely. Remove from heat.

In a large bowl, mix eggs & milk; whisk well. Add salt & pepper and stir.

In a 9"X13" dish, add frozen hashbrowns, sausage, and cheese. Stir together in the dish. Pour egg/milk mixture over.

Cover with foil and bake 45 min. Remove foil and bake 10-15 min. more until the dish is bubbly and cheese is melted.

#### Roasted Sweet Potatoes

3 med. sweet potatoes peeled & chopped into 1" pieces

4 Tbsp. butter, melted

2 Tbsp. brown sugar, packed

1 tsp. cinnamon

Salt to taste

Preheat oven to 450°. Line a baking sheet with aluminum foil.

Wash & peel sweet potatoes, then chop into 1" pieces and transfer to a large bowl.

Melt butter in microwave for 30 seconds; whisk in cinnamon, brown sugar, & salt.

Pour mixture over potatoes and toss until evenly coated. Spread evenly on baking sheet and place in oven for 20-25 min, stirring halfway through.

#### Apple Dapple Cake

Ingredients:

Cake:

3 c. all-purpose flour

2 tsp. ground cinnamon

 $1^{1}/_{2}$  tsp. kosher salt

1 tsp. baking powder

 $^{1}/_{2}$  tsp. baking soda

 $1/\sqrt{2}$  tsp. nutmeg

2 c. granulated sugar

 $1^{1}/_{2}$  c. canola oil

1 Tbsp. vanilla

3 large eggs

3 large Gala apples, peeled & finely chopped (about 3  $^{1}$ /<sub>2</sub> c.)

1 c. toasted pecans, chopped

Caramel Glaze:

1 c. packed light brown sugar

<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> c. unsalted butter

1/4 c. heavy whipping cream

 $\frac{1}{2}$  tsp. kosher salt

Preheat oven to 350°. Grease 12-c. Bundt pan with baking spray.

Whisk together flour, cinnamon, salt, baking powder, baking soda, & nutmeg in med. bowl until combined.

Stir together sugar, oil, vanilla & eggs in a large bowl of electric mixer and mix on medium speed until lightened in color, 2-3 min.

Gradually add flour mixture to egg mixture, beating on low speed until just combined & no flour streaks remain, 2-3 min.

Fold apples and pecans into batter until evenly distributed. Pour batter into prepared Bundt pan, & spread evenly using a small spatula.

Bake in preheated oven until a wooden pick inserted into center comes out clean, 1 hr., 10 min. to 1 hr., 15 min.

Remove from oven; let cake cool in Bundt pan on wire rack for 10 min.

Prepare caramel glaze by stirring together brown sugar, butter, cream & salt in a med. saucepan. Bring to a boil over med. heat, whisking constantly. Boil 2 additional min., and remove from heat.

Using a wooden skewer, poke holes all over top of warm cake in pan. Pour about  $\frac{3}{4}$  c. caramel glaze over cake. Let cake stand 15 min. Cover remaining caramel glaze in saucepan with a lid & set aside.

Invert cake onto wire rack; remove Bundt pan and let cake cool completely (about 2 hrs.)

Place cake on cake plate. Spoon remaining caramel sauce over cooled cake. Cover & store cake at room temperature for up to 3 days.

# ottie Moon Christmas Offering

Lottie Moon was sent as a Southern Baptist missionary to China from 1873 to 1912. She saw firsthand the world's greatest problem — LOSTNESS. Meeting so many people who had never heard the gospel compelled her to write letters to American churches describing the need for a greater missionary presence.

She pleaded for increased prayer and financial support to send and sustain more missionaries. This challenge became known as the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering®.





Lottie Moon Post Office opens November 26 in the hallway outside the church office. Leave cards for church members in mail box and give a donation of the amount of the postage to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.



When? Sunday, December 10 at 5:00 p.m.

Where? Fellowship Hall

Who? Special guest speakers from South Asia.

What? Week of Prayer for IMB A light meal will be provided!!



#### WMU Calendar of Events October-December 2023

Mae Ott - WoM leader Karen Butler - WoM Program leader Margaret Dixon - Prayer Chairman Gerry Bledsoe - Women's Ministry Leader

**Penny Jones** - Mission Friends Leader

Linda Whiteley - WMU Director

October 8— Shoeboxes for Samaritan's Purse available

October 18 — Last day to pay for WorldSong (\$20)

October 22— Backpack collection ends.

October 24 — Adults Fall Missions Festival at WorldSong.

**November:** Begin collecting for Windsor House Nursing Home.

**November 12**—Return Shoe Boxes

**November 15**—Luncheon for CDC parents, teachers, and children.

**November 26**—Lottie Moon Post Office open

December 3-10 — Week of Prayer for International Missions & Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

**December 10**—Special missionary speakers from South Asia. Light meal provided. Fellowship Hall.

**December 13**—Windsor House collection ends.

"Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer." Romans 12:12

WMU-Missions for Life



October 31, 2023
6:00-8:00 p.m.
Back parking lot
Volunteers needed to decorate
trunks and hand out candy.

Sign-up sheet on bulletin board outside sanctuary.

also needed are candy donations.

Leave donations in designated area outside church office.

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## Strong Women of the Bible

## Elizabeth: A woman blessed by God

lizabeth was from the priestly line of Aaron and married to Zacharias, a priest. She had passed the age of childbearing...and never had a child. She endured decades of marriage under the dark cloud of barrenness in a culture that considered childlessness both a calamity and God's judgment for sin.

How did Elizabeth keep going. Only regular time with the LORD could have given her a cheerful heart, strength for her work, and the determination to glorify God in all she did.

Consider God's portrait of Elizabeth an Zacharias. These people of God were blessed recipients of a godly, priestly heritage, but they were nevertheless destined to walk down a difficult road. They had no children; no one with whom to share their heritage of faith, or offspring to carry forth the family name.

Despite this painful fact, Luke tells us in no uncertain terms that Elizabeth an Zacharias "were both righteous before God, walking in all the commandments and ordinances of the Lord blameless." Luke 1:6

Elizabeth was righteous—she followed God's law in strict legal observance.

Elizabeth was obedient—she walked alongside her husband in all the Lord's commandments and ordinances.

Elizabeth was blameless—she lived a life that was pleasing to God.

"Now after those days his wife Elizabeth conceived; and she hid herself five months...."
Luke 1:24

It was a miracle! How did Elizabeth respond?

She was joyful! She was grateful! She was realistic!

The expected child was to play a mighty part in the history of God's people, and the responsibility of training him in godliness demanded serius and prayerful preparation on Elizabeth's part.



### What can I do?

- we are no longer collecting plastic lids for schools.
- Save aluminum pull tabs for the Ronald McDonald House Charities. Container outside church office. Contact: Mary Smith
- Donate non-perishable items to HAP (bin outside the church office).
- Pray for a successful merger with The Well as we continue to be The Church on the Hill showing God's love.
- Worship at 9:00 a.m. and Sunday School at 10:15 a.m.
- Donate to the designated fund to repair the roof over the choir and office areas.

- Donate wrapped candy the for Fall Festival. (bin outside church office)
- Send cards of encouragement to shut-ins.
- ✓ Join WoM which meets the first three Wednesdays of each month at 1:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.
- If you love to quilt (or want to learn), join the Sew Faithful Quilters meeting in the Fellowship Hall each Tuesday at 9:00 a.m.

"The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go!"



Fill me up, God.

Pour your peace inro
my day, give me your
strength in my steps,
pour your joy into my
heart, and your faith
In my soul.



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Daylight Savings
Time Ends
Sunday, November 5

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