

The staff, their families, and several other volunteers handed out over **4,300** meals from March – December in our curbside pickup line.



Our Thanksgiving Meal was a huge success with over 150 meals prepared. You donated over \$2,000 to the NC Baptist Children's Home.



Colby even grew his hair from April to Dec. to raise money for missions!



We have enjoyed working with Chase Corner Ministries to host the food truck from the Second Harvest Food Bank. Twice this year, our church packed and distributed boxes of food to those in need. We can't wait for our next delivery!



Several teams of volunteers helped prepare Sunday meals for curbside pickup. They are #spencerstrong!



Curbside Meals became the Spencer norm in 2020!



To keep our young friends involved, we sent them cardboard cutouts of Bruce and Kelly to keep them company.



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Join us on [Facebook](#). We are broadcasting our worship service live each Sunday at 11 AM and each Wednesday at 7 PM.  
Subscribe to our [YouTube](#) channel. Go to Youtube.com and search for Spencer Baptist Church. After you click on our church name, please click "subscribe." You can also click here to access the channel, but you still must subscribe.



**Sunday Schedule \***  
8:45 – Bells of Praise  
9:30 – Donuts & Coffee  
10:00 – Life Groups for all ages  
10:55 – Morning Worship  
5:30 – Children & Youth Activities  
\* We will let you know when our regular Sunday Schedule will resume.

**Our Church Staff**  
(828) 286-2355  
Pastor Bruce Caldwell  
Minister of Music & Education Kelly T. Settlemyre  
Youth Director Colby Fagan  
Administrative Assistant Linda Tribou  
Custodians Steve and Cheryl Koon  
Pianist Jay Seagrave

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## College Students of the Week for January

### January 10

Kallie Brooks  
1671 Tiney Road  
Ellenboro, NC 28040  
(ICC)

### January 24

Jennifer Casterjon  
1060 Old Ballpark Road #10  
Spindale, NC 28160  
(ICC)

### January 17

Sidney Campbell  
140 Fleming Dr  
Rutherfordton, NC 28139  
(University of SC)

### January 31

Ray Fronfrias  
VIL 108A-1  
St Thomas University  
16401 NW 37<sup>th</sup> Ave  
Miami Gardens, FL 33054



## Congratulations to Garrett Blanton!

Garrett graduated from Gardner Webb University in December.



We are continuing to offer 3 LifeGroups each Sunday at 10AM. Adults meet in the FLC; Children meet in the education building; and youth meet in the youth building. Each of our spaces are set up following all social distancing protocol. Please be respectful of those around you by observing all recommended practices.

## Sunday School Teachers

January 3.....Lucille Moore  
January 10.....Rick Ledbetter  
January 17.....Jennifer Spearman  
January 24.....Kelly Settlemire  
January 31.....Pat Tomblin

If you would like your 2020 Giving Statements emailed to you, please let the office know. Giving statements will be mailed to members by January 30<sup>th</sup>, unless we hear that you would like your statements emailed to you.



## Stewardship Meeting –

Tuesday, January 12<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm in the Family Life Center.

## Deacon's Meeting –

Tuesday, January 12<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the Family Life Center.



## Olivia's Health Tips!

If you have the flu or are sick, it's important to keep eating and drinking, even if you don't feel like it. Use your cupboard and freezer to keep a store of meals that are easy to cook and prepare. Just make sure you check the nutritional information of any pre-prepared foods. Go for low-saturated fat and low-salt versions whenever possible.

Choose foods containing Vitamin D. Sometimes called the sunshine vitamin, it has been shown to help support the immune system. In winter when the weather is often bad and the angle of the sun is low it is possible that you are not getting enough vitamin D from exposure to the sun. In this case food becomes the most important source of vitamin D. Oily fish like salmon, mackerel and sardines are good sources of vitamin D and there are also vitamin D fortified milks and yogurt available.



As You Did It unto The Least Of These...

These words of Jesus in Matthew 25 remind me of Spencer's mission in 2020. When "Covid" hit in March and continued into April, we began to try to figure out ways to meet the needs of our church family as well as people in our community. One of the ways we found to minister was through giving food to people.

The *Baptist On Mission* sent an email about a program they were sponsoring that gave produce boxes to families. I applied to get the boxes and was approved to get 100 boxes for the first round. We were approved and for about 4 weeks, I went to Shelby twice a week to get produce, meat, cheese and milk. These were distributed to people who were facing tough times. We kept getting approved and were able to get 75 boxes each week and we were able to continue to get food boxes to people most weeks up until Christmas.

In May and August, we sponsored the Second Harvest Food Program through Chase Corner Ministries. We packaged food boxes and gave them to hundreds of Rutherford County residents. Any leftover food was taken to Chase Corner Ministries to be given to people who were having difficulties getting food.

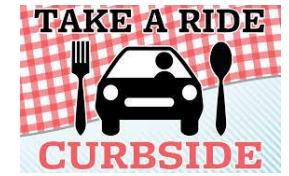
We provided meals through the New Beginnings Soup Kitchen four times during 2020. We collected food on Souper Bowl Sunday and gave some to Yokefellow and used a lot right here at Spencer to meet the needs of people who came by with a need. We had "drive-thru" meals on Sundays for several months and have continued to have these on Wednesdays. We have given gift cards for food, given "Arch Cards" for fast-food meals, and provided other types of food for people in our church family.

People often joke about Baptists liking to eat, but the simple fact is, people have to eat and we have tried to make sure people have food. I want to thank all of you who have helped in our providing food and meals to people in our church family and community. Several have really stepped up to help and I appreciate it!

Hopefully there will be another round of food boxes, but if not, we will try to find a way to help feed people. Remember what Jesus said, "As you have done it unto the least of these, you have done it unto me!"

Thanks!

Bruce



## Curb-Side Pick-up starts at 5:30PM each Wednesday night

Menus will be announced on FB and on our website.

Reservations for Wednesday Night Curbside Meals can be made by signing up on our website, [www.spencerbaptist.com](http://www.spencerbaptist.com), or on our Face Book page, or you can call the church office. 286-2355.



Then join Bruce, Kelly & Colby for Wednesday Night Live at 7pm.



## Yokefellow Donations

January- March

Yokefellow has requested Pancake Mix, Syrup or Cornbread Mix.



## Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions

Our Church Goal for 2020 was \$6,500.00

As of Tuesday, Dec. 29, you generously gave **\$7,775.56** to support the work of our International Missionaries! We cannot wait to hear how God will use our offerings to spread the gospel all over the world.



Our Spencer Church Family wishes to express our sincere Christian sympathy to the Family of

**Richard Mohler**, and to the Family of **Max Ledbetter**, father of Rick Ledbetter.

