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SECURITY PATROL

AM - Charles Marlow
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Attendance November 10, 2013

Sunday School	73
Mission School	25
Shut Ins	23
TOTAL	138

Regular Offering	\$ 4312.00
Sanaritans Purse	320.00
Pastor Appreciation	50.00
Bread From Heaven	50.00
Turkey Drive	145.00
Kathleen Mallory	20.00
Total	\$ 4897.00

A donation of \$60.00 was given to the Shoebox ministry by Margaret Hardy's SS Class

**Turkey Drive Update...
 19 Turkeys (One week left)**

**SAMARITANS PURSE
 SHOEBOX MINISTRY**

Each box cost \$15.00 – Make check out to the Church and designate for SHOEBOX. The WMU is once again sponsoring this ministry and appreciates your support. Deadline for Shoebox donations is November 18th. Thanks for all your help.

Church Phone Number 205-780-6621

Bro. Ed's Epistle

"Oh give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good." Psalm 107:1

The psalmist counted the good works of the Lord which abide forever. He mentioned God's mercy, redemption, deliverance, satisfaction of our longings, freedom and forgiveness of sins. No wonder he says over and over, "Oh that men would give thanks to the Lord for His goodness."

As we enter the season of Thanksgiving, may we count the ways that God is so good to us. One of the ways that God is so good to Evelyn and me is allowing us to serve such a wonderful church. We are so grateful for the many ways you showed us your appreciation last month during Pastor Appreciation month. We look forward to worship and fellowship with you this week.

LLOYD'S LINES *"To Him be glory in the church and our lives by Jesus Christ to all generations forever and ever."* Ephesians 3:21. God deserves all the glory in our lives and in the church. Why does He deserve all the Glory? Paul reminds us that He is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think. Whatever you face today, God can handle it. No matter what challenge comes to you or the church, God can handle it. Allow Jesus to have all the glory in your life and church. Exalt His name. I am reminded of a little chorus that we sing that says, "Let there be glory and honor and praises, glory and honor to Jesus, glory and honor, glory and honor to Him." Taken in part from my devotional prayer book.

Don't forget our Shoe Box Ministry and Lottie Moon Christmas Missions Offering. Watch for our goal in the newsletter and bulletin. And as always remember... God loves you and so do I. SING-cerely, Bro. Lloyd (Proverbs 3:5&6)

HARRY'S HEARTBEAT – During the summer when the trees are full of leaves, the last thing I see out my bedroom window when I turn out the lights is one little lone light off in the distance. No other light. When the wind blows the leaves, it reminds me of a lighthouse, now you see it now you don't. I don't know whether it's a street light or yard light, but I'm, sure it dispels the darkness for a reason.

Every night as I begin my prayer, the little light reminds me of a Junior Camp chorus, "This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine." I hear people, including myself, after going thru some traumatic experience, say that just about the time they were about to give up the Lord allowed them to see just a little light at the end of the tunnel that gave them a little hope to go on. There are many people all around us groping in all kinds of darkness, searching for just a glimmer of light. In Mat. 5:16 Jesus gives every Christian a direct commandment for those in spiritual darkness. He didn't say if it's convenient, do it or when you get around to it, do it, or let somebody else do it. In John 14:15 Jesus says "If you love me do it." Sims translation. If the little light I see every night goes out, I will miss it. So I guess I need to ask myself as a Christian, if my light fails to shine, will it even be missed? Or cause somebody to miss heaven?

See you Sunday. I love you, Harry

Upcoming Events...

Everyone is invited to the **Community Wide Thanksgiving Worship Service, Tuesday Night, Nov. 26th 7:00 PM** At Fairfield Highlands Baptist Church We will have a Community Choir sharing special music. Mark Spencer, Pastor of New Beginnings Family Baptist Church will bring the Thanksgiving message. Come join us, as our Community comes together to give thanks to the Lord.

Handel's Messiah – The Alabama Civic Chorale will present their 66th annual performance of Handel's Messiah with soloists and orchestra on **Sunday, Nov. 24th at 3:00 PM** at Riverchase United Methodist Church. The performance is free and some of our member will participate along with other churches from our area. What a wonderful way to begin the holiday season.