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Attendance December 12, 2016

Regular Attendance	54
Mission School	26
Shut Ins	23
Total	96
Regular Offering	4714.62
Children's Home	100.00
Shoe Box	1205.00
Lottie Moon	275.00
Total	6294.62

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Bro. Ed's Epistle

"And suddenly there appeared with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among men with whom He is pleased." Luke 2:13-14

Angels are mentioned numerous times concerning the birth of Jesus. The first time was to Zacharias the priest who was told that his wife Elizabeth would have a child in her old age who would be the forerunner of the Messiah. Then the angel Gabriel appeared to Mary and announced that she would conceive by the Holy Spirit and bear a child who would be named Jesus, for He would save His people from their sin. Then the angel appeared to Joseph in several dreams announcing the miraculous nature of Jesus' conception and giving him several warnings which protected Jesus from harm. The passage in Luke's gospel tells that an angel accompanied by a multitude of the heavenly host (other angels) announced Jesus' birth to a group of shepherds near Bethlehem. Angels are mentioned many times in Scripture, but they remain mysterious beings. They are called spirits, but often assumed physical form. Their function is always that they are messengers of God. What is remarkable to me is that it took humble shepherds to recognize that they, too, could be messengers of the coming of Messiah. They left the presence of Jesus and told everyone they saw about Him. May we also be angels, messengers of the wonderful gospel of Jesus to everyone, everywhere. I love you and thank God for you. I look forward to worship and fellowship with you this week.

Senior Spotlight

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2016 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

Church Goal \$3,000.00

Holiday Service Times

Christmas - December 25 at 10:30 AM (No PM Service)

New Years Day - January 1 at 11:00 AM (No PM Service)