

February 2022

# SWIFT CREEK CHRONICLE



## IMPACT 2022

2 We give thanks to God always for you all, making mention of you in our prayers, 3 remembering without ceasing your work of faith, labor of love, and patience of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ in the sight of our God and Father, 4 knowing, beloved brethren, your election by God. 5 For our gospel did not come to you in word only, but also in power, and in the Holy Spirit and in much assurance, as you know what kind of men we were among you for your sake. 1 Thessalonians 2-5

Dear Church Family,  
I have been busy as of lately praying for you all and taking care of my wife who had surgery this past week. I am amazed at the outpouring of support and love that you all have shown to my family, trust me, your ministry of hospitality has made an IMPACT.—Speaking of IMPACT, we have been busy with IMPACT 2022, we are reminded in 2 Thessalonians 3:13 to never grow tired of doing what is good. Our church has started to do the ground work in doing great things for the church and community. We have a small group of people raising food only gift cards for the needy, I can tell you that these food only gift cards are making an impact at Penny Road Elementary School, children are benefiting from our ministry at Swift Creek Baptist Church.

We are also in the process of interviewing a potential Music Director, I know that our Music Committee will make an IMPACT as they proceed with God's wisdom. I want you to be in prayer for our Music Committee. Let God's wisdom bless their knowledge and give them endurance to finish their race as they make their future recommendations. I am proud to say that our Music Committee is an IMPACT...

The Baptistry Committee has been busy too, they have agreed to purchase a Portable Baptistry that will allow us to baptize individuals within the walls of our church.

When a new believer makes a decision to follow Christ and commit to public baptism there is a spark that ignites the churches soul, I want you to imagine the IMPACT we will all feel as a church family when we see baptisms being administered within our sanctuary again.

The Grounds Committee has started the research process of looking to build a new columbarium for our cemetery. Our cemetery takes on a special meaning for us all, it is a place where we grieve, reflect, and remember our loved ones and yet it is a place where we can rejoice. God has already made an IMPACT by overcoming death, we can rejoice because He lives and so do, we. As the committee makes their plans; I want you to pray that their ministry will IMPACT generations to come. Let their faith show their good deeds as they go forth with God love.

IMPACT 2022 is all about Faith that Works... Our ministries are blooming because of your faith in the Lord. We are stronger when we all work together for the glory of God's Kingdom. Remember that the smallest pebble can make a ripple effect on a large lake. It does not take much to make an IMPACT... We are not a big church, but I believe in my heart that we are a mighty church that will make a difference in someone's life.

Do not allow fear to take hold, take on the challenge of doing faithful work, and know that with God, you will make a difference. Remember to see as Jesus saw, feel as Jesus felt, pray as Jesus prayed, and do as Jesus did... God has given you a purpose and a gift. Let's do our small part and make an IMPACT for His Kingdom...

I love you all,

Pastor Jason

## DEACONS UPDATE

Deacons met on January 4, 2022. Bobby Mills led the devotion encouraging us to look back across the previous year and identify the blessings we experienced as we head into the new year. Bobby referenced the lyrics of the song “Blessings” by Laura Story. Remember that blessings can come in many forms!

During the discussion of old business, it was determined that we will continue with the coffee fellowship. The deacons are requesting that the Brotherhood provide items for the first Sunday of each month and the remainder of the month covered by willing volunteers. Other items discussed in old business included the completion of the installation of dusk to dawn lighting on all sides of the main building, updating communion supplies for ease in opening, and providing a devotional to those who are homebound. The deacons also agreed to ask Lynn Cullins, LaRue Holmes and Jae Kim to serve on the Choir/Music Director Search Committee and begin the search as soon as possible. (Update – all three have agreed to serve!)

Discussion continued regarding the expansion of the columbarium (currently 9 niches available) and securing a portable baptistry. Pastor Jason and committees (Cemetery & Grounds and Finance) responsible for these tasks will begin looking into cost, construction, design of such opportunities and determine a means of financing these projects. The deacons recommended to the Finance Committee that a non-budgeted line item be created for each for the future purchase of the portable baptistry and a columbarium.

New business included the discussion of future Covid-19 protocol to avoid a full church shutdown. The church will be sanitized every Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, and a means to stream the sermon through Facebook live will be coordinated should a full shutdown be necessary. The Brotherhood requests that \$750 from the BBQ Fund be sent to Baptist Men on Mission to assist with needs from the most recent tornadoes in Kentucky. The deacons agreed and recommended to the Finance Committee that these funds be sent to Baptist Men on Mission.

Pastor Jason discussed that actions are being taken to achieve “IMPACT 2022” moving toward ministry and discipleship to reach out beyond the walls of Swift Creek Baptist Church. He encourages the deacons and church members to bring ideas and challenges before the church as we move into the New Year. Proposal forms will be available to submit ideas and general plans for those who have a mission in mind.

The meeting concluded with discussion of family concerns: Carol Bartholomew (Shirley Livengood’s sister-in-law diagnosed with ALS), Cody – prayers for family, Christie (co-worker of Jennie Jones) with cancer, Randy Doerr, Jack Jones (Lindy’s father), Lindy Dunham, Lorraine Norton. Please continue to pray for those who are sick, injured and aging.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jennie Jones

## WOMEN ON MISSION

W.O.M. did not meet in January due to weather issues and sickness. We are in the planning stage for the church BBQ on Friday, February 25th.

W.O.M is also making plans for Women’s Sunday on March 27th. We will have a guest speaker that Sunday and hopefully several other special surprises. We are looking forward to getting back to regular services.

In His Service,  
Robin Atkins

## SENIOR SAINTS

Mark your calendar for Monday, February 14th at 11:00 am. Senior Saints is planning a brunch. Good food and great fellowship.

Please contact Lorraine Norton or Joyce Powell if you plan to attend.

# ~ FEBRUARY ~



February 7 Larry Martin  
 February 9 Lorraine Norton  
 February 9 Susan Moore  
 February 9 Loren Liu Flaten  
 February 10 Teresa Atkins  
 February 10 Charlene Howell  
 February 11 Eloise Walker  
 February 13 Trudy Byron  
 February 19 Lindy Dunham  
 February 27 Lynn Pierce  
 February 27 David Holmes



February 11  
 Jack & Susan Rollins

## Nursery Schedule

February 6  
 Tiffany Arnett, Sarah Jones  
 February 13  
 Jennie Jones, Eloise Garland  
 February 20  
 Sharon Lawrence, LaRue Holmes  
 February 27  
 Lynn Pierce, Lorraine Norton



## Jam Schedule

February 6 Dianne Davis  
 February 13 Sue Mulvihill  
 February 20 Pat Mills  
 February 27 Robin Atkins

A couple more volunteers are still needed to help with JAM and with other children / youth programs. Please see Lindy if you can help.

## Sunday

Coffee Fellowship 9:00 am  
 Sunday School 9:15 am  
 Worship Service 10:00 am

## Wednesday

Wednesday Evening 6:00 pm  
 Bible Study & Prayer  
 1 Deacons Meeting 6:00 pm  
 6 Brotherhood Breakfast 8:30 am  
 9 Fellowship Meal 5:00 pm  
 9 Quarterly Conference 6:00 pm  
 13 Finance Meeting 6:30 pm  
 date changed for February  
 23 CARE 9:30 am  
 24 BBQ Prep  
 25 BBQ

**Children & Youth  
 Mission Night  
 Wednesday, February 23**

**We will help with  
 preparations for the BBQ**

## Fellowship Meal & Quarterly Conference

**February 9, 2022**

Meal at 5:00 pm - Conference at 6:00 pm  
 Menu: Loaded Baked Potato with Chili.

The meal will be provided on a donation basis. Proceeds will be used to purchase gift cards that will go toward our IMPACT 2022 goal to feed more people as we purchase 2022 gift cards. Please call the church office to sign up for the Fellowship Meal.



Planning ahead, our BBQ Fundraiser is February 25th. This year we will be serving Take-Out Only. We will need plenty of help to make it all come together and run as smoothly as possible. Please see David Holmes or Joyce Powell and let them know how you can help.

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At this time we ask that everyone continue to social distance. Masks are optional for those who are fully vaccinated. We are asking that children and anyone who is working with children please continue to wear a mask.

Also, one added precaution is that the back two rows and the front row on the east side of the church be reserved/designated for those who are handicapped and those with DMR or other medical related matters.



## Operation Christmas Child Collection Items for February:

Sunglasses, Watches, Necklaces, Hair Barrettes, and any other accessories. Drop items in the collection bins marked for Operation Christmas Child. We will have a great time packing the boxes in a few months.