



# BROAD STREET

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*From Where I Sit . . .*

### **“The Gift That Takes A Lifetime To Unwrap” (Luke 2:1-20)**

To millions of people this is one of the most wonderful times of the year, and many are waiting with anticipation to see what gifts we get. Many are wrapped in beautiful wrapping paper and then decorated with bows, tinsel, and pretty ribbons. The sad part is there almost seems to be a let-down after we have unwrapped all of our gifts – not because we didn’t get what we wanted, but there is something magical about unwrapping those gifts in anticipation and excitement as to what lies beneath the bow. Probably most of us can’t remember what they got for Christmas last year, what gifts they unwrapped.

I want all of us to know that there is a gift that we can unwrap everyday of our lives! It’s the gift that takes a lifetime to unwrap (**Luke 2:1-20**). First, I want us all to see that some 2000 years ago, when God sent forth His Son, born of woman, born under the law (**Gal. 4:4**) He presented to man a gift He had planned for from the very beginning (**Eph. 3:8-11**). This gift came to us in the fulness of time, and because of the birth of this baby, because of the life that now existed in Him, we all have received the gift of opportunity – an opportunity to live, to never have to die again! It is a gift, given in a moment of time, that God promises to all who are willing to receive it, (**John 1:12**) **“Yet to all who received him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God.”**

To use a phrase that has been coined to describe nearly every meaningful gift in advertising since the 1920's, it was “the gift that keeps on giving.” When Jesus was born that day in Bethlehem, it was just the beginning of the gift unwrapping. Our text (**Luke 2:7**) tells us that when he was born, they wrapped him in swaddling clothes; and, friends, He brought a gift for us all to unwrap, not at all like the cloth strips (swaddling clothes) they wrapped him in. The unwrapping or unfolding of that gift began first by the proclamation of the angels, first to Mary (**Luke 1:26-33**); then to Joseph (**Matt 1:18-21**); then to the shepherds in the field (**Luke 2:9-11**). So throughout the New Testament we read of God’s gift to mankind appearing time and time again before a people who needed His light so very badly.

He died alone as God’s greatest gift to mankind (John 3:16) And He himself declared, “Greater love has no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.” (**John 15:13**). Even though the gift of God appeared in an instant of time, it was not intended to be a present that you open and that’s the end. Not just once, but every day of our lives on this earth we experience the gift of God’s love all over again. Every day I wake up, I get to unwrap another part of the gift of eternal life that God has prepared for me. **“But as it is written, “Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him” (1 Corinthians 2:9).**

Just when I think I have unwrapped all I can, like the last present we’ll be opening in the next few days with our family members, God overwhelms me and allows me to unwrap a little more of His wonderful gift of grace toward the salvation to be revealed in the last time. What gift can compare to our never having to fear death, never having to die the second death in the lake of fire and brimstone, never suffering, crying, feeling pain, but to live eternally in a place called Heaven? **“Thanks be to God for His unspeakable gift.”** (**1 Corinthians 9:15**).

**. . . . Terry Broome**



*Please pray for our sick and remember them with cards, calls and visits.*

## LONG-TERM PRAYER LIST

**Betty Hughes**

**Jim Kendrick**

**Dave Bagley**

**Peg Gough**

**Jill Russell**

**Deborah Wacker**

**Charlotte Vinson**

**Ed Clayson**

**Martha Foster**

**Tammy McQuire**

**Rachel Underwood**

**Irene Gist**

**Ginger Myers**

**Harold Reynolds**

**Hillary Broome**, Terry Broome's brother. 2151 Alexander Blvd., Murfreesboro, TN 37130.

**Paul Wright**, Roxy Wright's son, 129 Pine Hill Rd., Rainsville, AL 35986.

**Nettie Murrah**, Tracy Brumley's mother.

**Robin Gable**, granddaughter in law of Terry Broome's stepmother, 2246 Neal Gap Road, Summerville, GA 30747.

**Tommy Young**, Jill Russell's brother.

**Mary Hodge**, 88 Sumner Dr., 35769.

**Roger Alley**, son-in-law of David and Margaret Crawford.

**Leroy Armstrong**, Holly Cobb's father.

**Judy Solomon**, sister of Martha Pendley.

**Terry Shelton**, cousin of Vicki Shelton & Arlene Allen, 1113 Co. Rd. 68, Scottsboro, AL 35768.

**Viola Manning**, aunt of Vicki Shelton & Arlene Allen, 1930 Co. Rd 107, Scottsboro, AL 35768.

**Bob Milk**, brother-in-law of Robin Shelton.

**Melanie Lanier**, daughter of Ron Graham.

**Lyndal Brumley**, daughter-in-law of Jo Reed & Tracy.

**Shep Knight**, child of Jo Reed Brumley's cousin.

**Trent McCormack**, US Navy

**Jordan Holt**, US Navy-Reserve

**Abigail Holt**, US Navy

**Nathan Bridges**, US Air Force-Reserve

**Paige Chrisman**, US Air Force

**Nathaniel Doan**, US Marine Corps

**Anthony Worst**, US Marine Corps

**Noah Linville**, US Navy Academy

## NURSING HOME RESIDENTS & HOMEBOUND

### Cloverdale Manor

412 Cloverdale Rd.  
Scottsboro, 35768

### Rosewood Manor

1513 Co. Park Rd.  
Scottsboro, 35769

Jaxie Hargrave  
Doris Johnson  
Debra Kime  
Dot Bean

### Southern Estates

212 E. Stewart Rd.  
Scottsboro, 35769

Nellie Spring 1950 Bob Jones Rd. Scottsboro, 35769  
Elsie Goodman 406 S Houston St., 35768  
Martha Nan Baker 701 Monroe St., NW, Russellville, 35653  
Nell Anderson 121 Brookridge Dr., Apt. 148, Madison, 35758  
Ruth Spurgeon 8922 AL 227, Crossville, AL 35962

## Calendar of Upcoming Events—

Dec 11 – Broad Street Hosting Area Wide @ 5 PM, meal after evening services  
Dec 14 – Christmas Charities Deadline to Return  
Dec 17 – Christmas Charities Delivery @ 9 AM  
Jan 8 – Baby Shower for Abigail Edmonds @ 1 PM

### One Measure Of Our Love

Wed. Bible Study..... 132  
Sunday Bible Study..... 149  
Sun. A.M. Worship..... 228  
Sun. Night Worship..... 104  
Contribution..... \$9,706.00  
Budget..... \$8,326.00



Broad Street is switching to a new Church Directory. Setup instructions are located on podium in both foyers. Please see Scott Roberts if you have any questions or need help setting up new directory. Parents are encouraged to set up account for their teens also, so they will be able to get notifications as well. Please add your teen's email address and cell phone number to family account before you create an account for teen. After you create an account, you may save the website to your home screen on phone and the directory will run like an app.

*Church Family,*

*Thank you so much for the prayers you offered on my family's behalf. Also for the food, calls, cards we received. Gary will be missed.*

*Ernestine Pace, Amanda & Doug*





- Dec 9 - Progressive Dinner for Teens @ 5:30 PM, meet at church to ride in van
- Dec 10 - KFC Christmas Party @ 9 to 11 AM, Santa pictures from 9 to 9:30 AM, Woods Cove building
- Dec 11 - Broad Street Hosting Area Wide
- Dec 17 - Christmas Charities Delivery @ 9 AM
- GIFTS Christmas Party @ 12:30 PM
- Dec 18 - Rosewood Singing @ 1:30 PM
- Young Men's Training Night @ 5 PM

### ~Lads to Leaders Calendar~

- Dec 10 - Provider's at Gardner's house @ 12 PM
- Dec 11 - Lads Puppet meeting after morning services in the chapel for those attending convention, see Josh or Wendy Baird if you are unable to attend.
- Dec 17 - GIFTS Christmas Party @ 12:30 PM
- Dec 18 - Young Men's Training @ 5 PM
- Girls Song Leading @ 5 PM
- Dec 21 - Bible Bowl @ 5:30 PM



**Driver Needed** Linda Mobbs, a visitor that has been attending regularly, is in need of a ride to services on Sunday mornings. She lives at Willow Creek Apartments in Scottsboro. If you are able to provide this service for her, please call the church office or you may reach her at 256-468-5044. Sign up sheet on bulletin board between foyers.



Please join us on Sunday, January 8<sup>th</sup> at 1 PM to 3 PM in MPR for a Baby Shower honoring Abigail Edmonds. Abigail is registered at Amazon. Hostess meeting will be on Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup> in the chapel after morning services.

### NO PUPPETS – AREA WIDE DEVO



Broad Street will be hosting the Area Wide Devo on Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup> at 5 PM. Youth groups will meet at 5 PM for games and devo and we will have our traditional services at 6 PM. We will have finger foods after evening services in the MPR. Some suggested food items to bring are chicken fingers, meatballs, sliders, brownies and cookies.

John Powell met with the elders and expressed his wishes to place membership at Broad Street. We welcome John Powell to Broad Street. His address is 536 Ridgedale Road, Scottsboro, AL 35768.



Christmas Charities gifts should be wrapped with card securely attached to the outside of the package and returned to the building by December 14<sup>th</sup>. Delivery of the gifts will be on Saturday, December 17<sup>th</sup>. If you want to help deliver, please meet at the building by 9 a.m.



### Ladies Bible Class Christmas Sock Party

All ladies welcomed

Date: December 13<sup>th</sup>

Time: 11:30am Place:

Betty Clayson's home; 1416 Clemons Rd., Scottsboro

Bring an appetizer to share, and a pair of Christmas socks to exchange.

This year it's all about those Christmas socks! Ugly Christmas sock contest and Christmas sock exchange. Wear a pair of ugly Christmas socks for all to have a laugh. And Bring a pair of socks to exchange with others: Budget between \$5 and \$10; Stuff the pair of Christmas socks with fun little items like Chapstick, fingernail polish, chocolate candy, candy, any little thing that will fit in a sock. Tie a bow around the socks. Don't wrap the socks!



**Sending Our SYMPATHY**

Funeral Home.

Broad Street expresses our sympathy to Brenda Devers, Rhonda Harrison, and Greg Ott in the death of their mother, Sister Helen Ott. The funeral was held on Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup> and Scottsboro

## ELDERS

DAVID PRECISE 574-3790 PAT RUSSELL 259-0800  
BRAD WILHELM 244-0561

## DEACONS

Josh Baird	Rick Baird	Jo Reed Brumley
David Dover	Joel Gardner	Nick Ledbetter
Joe Manning	Roger Myers	Nelson Page
John A. Porch	Dave Precise	Mark Price
Scott Roberts	William Underwood	Russell Wilhelm

TERRY BROOME, Minister. .... 575-2454

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Our Web Site:: ..... [www.broadstreetchurchofchrist.com](http://www.broadstreetchurchofchrist.com)

## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

WORSHIP. .... Sunday 9:55 A.M. and 6:00 P.M.

BIBLE STUDY..... Sunday 9:00 A.M.  
and Wednesday 6:30 P.M.

LADIES BIBLE CLASS. .... Tuesday 10:00 A.M.

## Those to Serve...

SUNDAY, December 11, 2022

Announcements: Nick Ledbetter

Song Leader: Mark Price

Prayer: Bill Price

Serve at the Lord's Table:

Presiding: Brad Laney

1W- Ernie Brockway 1E- Grady Gattis

2W- Chuck Davis 2E- Nelson Page

3W- Clay Kenamer 3E- Robin Shelton

4W- Will Shelton 4E- Roger Myers

5W- David Precise 5E- Ragan Myers

6W- Terry Collins 6E- John Hollis Myers

7W- Russell Wilhelm 7E- Doug Tucker

Speaker: Chad Brown

Closing Prayer: C.B. Laney

Ushers: Russell Wilhelm & Ernie Brockway

## P.M. SERVICE:

Song Leader: Mark Price

Scripture: Tim Allen

Prayer: Pat Russell

Speaker: Chad Brown

Lord's Supper: Russell Wilhelm & Doug Tucker

Closing Prayer: Brad Wilhelm

## WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY: December 14, 2022

Scripture: Major Ledbetter

Song Leader: Preston Dover

Prayer: Nick Ledbetter

CONTACT ELDER: Brad Wilhelm

OPEN & CLOSE BUILDING FOR THE MONTH:

Joel Gardner

If you are unable to serve, please call:

Dave Precise 256-599-6668

Requires  
First Class  
Stamp Here

*The Word of God (the Bible) never changes.  
If you go to worship to hear something other  
than His Word,  
You have gone for the wrong reason.  
If you hear something other,  
You are at the wrong place.*

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*Teach Me to Obey*

*I do not ask to understand  
The way Thou leadest me,  
But this I ask: Teach me to do  
The thing that pleases Thee.  
I want to know Thy guiding voice,  
To walk with Thee each day.  
Dear Master make me swift to hear  
And ready to obey.*

— via Bulletin Digest