

MONTHLY

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LITTLE ANGELS RECAP 2025

We wrapped up our holiday initiatives with Little Angels, a ministry where volunteers helped families shop for gifts, wrapped presents, and prayed with them. This year, Christ's Church was able to serve 66 families and shop for 212 children.

When we asked Little Angels lead Alicia Peak if any moments stood out, she shared a powerful story. One mother had been praying specifically for a new microwave—and that very day, one was available on the “free” table. The free table is made up of donated items ranging from socks and family games to coffee mugs and household essentials, allowing families to choose something for themselves or to gift to someone else. What a blessing it was to meet such a practical need in such a timely way.

Alicia also shared that one first-time Little Angels volunteer felt “blessed beyond measure” after shopping day—not because of what they gave, but because of the opportunity to sit with families, listen to their stories, and truly love them well.

We are incredibly grateful for the way our church family comes together during this season to help make someone's holiday a little brighter.

CRAFTERS FOR CHRIST AND MEALS ON WHEELS

Under that same spirit of serving, we've seen love shared across generations in beautiful ways.

Our Crafters for Christ Group gathered for their December meeting and celebrated the season with holiday treats—while also getting a lot of meaningful work done. In just one month, the group completed and turned in 19 shawls and 27 baby hats. It's always inspiring to see what this faithful group can create between meetings and the care stitched into every piece.

At the same time, our CC Kids have been serving with joyful hearts as well. On Sundays, they've been making cards for seniors in the Meals on Wheels program. Recently, Holly delivered 137 cards, and cat and dog treat kits. During their Happy Birthday Jesus celebration, CC Kids completed an additional 80 birthday cards and decorated 80 birthday bags that will be delivered to Meals on Wheels recipients throughout the coming year.

From the youngest to the most seasoned among us, it's a joy to see our church family loving others well and living out what it means to serve—together.



NEW LIFE

We're celebrating Abigail and Layla, who ended the year by taking the meaningful step of baptism! What a beautiful way to close out the year and publicly declare their faith.

12/24 – Abigail Pettyjohn

12/28 – Layla Cowan (age 6)



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD: THE WORK CONTINUES

Operation Christmas Child doesn't end when shoeboxes are turned in each November. The first week of December, a group of Christ's Church Difference Makers traveled to Boone, North Carolina, to serve at Samaritan's Purse's processing center—where shoeboxes are carefully inspected, filled with additional items when space allows, and repacked for overseas shipment.

Marsha Collins shared that this outreach continues to grow in impact each year. Packing parties now take place across our church community, including ladies bible studies, moms' groups, CCKids Serve Sundays, and even at Mason Christian Village's Memory Care unit—each one helping bring joy and hope to children around the world.

The first Christ's Church team traveled to Boone in 2014, and since then, around 8–10 women have faithfully served at the Samaritan's Purse processing

center for three to four days each season. As of 2025, this team has participated in eleven seasons of service. Some team members have also become year-round volunteers, serving on the Prayer Team—praying for volunteers and each child who receives a shoebox—and the Media Support Team, helping share stories and updates from the ministry.

When asked why she continues to serve year after year, Marsha shared a powerful moment from two years ago. While working on the processing line, the team learned the shoeboxes they were handling were headed to Ukraine—just as the war began. Knowing that children in a war-torn country would receive a gift packed with love and the message of Jesus was deeply moving.

"It's moments like that," Marsha shared, "that keep us going back."



JANUARY SERMON SERIES: UNLIKELY TRANSFORMATION

Unlikely Transformation is a bold January series about the kind of change only God can bring. We'll look at real stories of people who seemed impossible to reach and watch how God completely rewrote their stories. This series is raw, honest, and full of hope, reminding us that God doesn't just work on the willing or the people who look the part. He meets people right where they are, breaks through pride and pain, and turns messes into redemption. As we start a new year, this is an invitation to trust that God is still changing lives, including ours.

January 4 – From Arrogance to Awe

January 11 – From Rebellion to Repentance

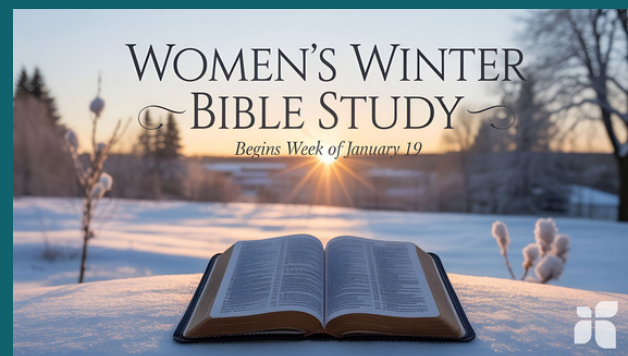
January 18 – From Pride to Purity

January 25 – From Grief to Grace



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