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The food pantry will be open Tuesday, December 22nd. Stella needs help Monday filling bags of groceries.

### *People on Missions*

*Please pray every day as they prepare to serve on the mission field:*

*The Wade Killingsworth Family: Slovenia*



**"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven." Matthew 5:16**

Pastor: Rick Erwin, D. Min.; D.D.

December 20, 2015



From Your Staff

Bro. Rick      Bro. Terry

Mack      Bro. Mark

Helen      Tonja      Stella

Conrad      Sam      Gary



***“I heard the bells on Christmas Day their old familiar carols play. And wild and sweet the words repeat of peace on earth, good will to men!”***

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

***OUR WORSHIP SERVICE THIS MORNING FINDS ITS*** significance in that age old Christmas Carol ***“I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day,”*** written by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow. Though it is one of the most moving of all the songs relating to the birth of Christ, it has the spirit and heart of a man who loved God yet along the way he struggled to keep that faith alive.

***HAVE YOU EVER FELT ABANDONED BY GOD OR FELT*** that in your time of sorrow He was far away? You would not be alone in that struggle. Truth be known, most of us at one time or other have walked that journey and from the poem of Longfellow, we find new and lasting hope. Listen closely and be blessed today from the songs and from the Word of the Lord.

***NOW, WE NEED TO MAKE YOU AWARE OF THE EVENTS*** in the next two weeks at the church. First, please make your plans now to attend the Christmas Candlelight service on Thursday evening the 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm. It is a blessed time as we think of the “REAL” meaning of Christmas. In the service we will have singers, children singing, the Christmas Story read and of course, the lighting of the candles. Please invite a guest, bring family and friends. Most important, we will honor Christ on that special night.

***OUR SCHEDULE FOR THE NEXT TWO WEEKS WILL*** change. Next Sunday we will have the morning worship only. Meet at 10:00 for worship. We will not have our scheduled services on the next two Wednesday evenings as well. On Sunday, January 3, 2016 we will kick off the New Year with a full schedule as we move to make 2016 one of the most blessed, exciting and busy years we have ever had. My prayer is that your New Year’s resolution will be filled with spiritual growth and great blessings from the Lord Jesus.

Joy to you and the World,

*Bro. Rick*



The Lottie Moon Post Office is open for you to “mail” your Christmas Cards to Procter members. The cost is 10 cents per card and all the proceeds go to Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

**New Office Hours**

Monday & Tuesday 8:30 am - 4:30 pm  
Wednesday & Thursday 8:00 am - 4:30 pm  
Friday 8:30 am - noon



- January 4 - Xephyn Sneed  
Josh Tallant
- January 11 - Mike Blankenship  
Walter Wilson
- January 13 - Elaine Earl
- January 15 - Marie Errington
- January 17 - Jim Young
- January 19 - Matthew Hurt
- January 20 - Winona Peveto  
Sandra Blankenship
- January 22 - Mary Lou Hallford
- January 28 - Amber Jetton
- January 30 - Christine Marsh



**Sunday, December 20<sup>th</sup>**

No evening worship service

**Wednesday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>**

No Wednesday evening service

**Wednesday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>, through Friday, December 25<sup>th</sup>**

Office Closed

**Thursday, December 24<sup>th</sup>**

Candlelight Service 6:00 p.m.

**Sunday, December 27<sup>th</sup>**

Morning worship only, no Sunday School and no evening worship service

**Monday, December 28<sup>th</sup>, through Wednesday, December 30<sup>th</sup>**

Limited office hours

**Thursday, December 31<sup>st</sup>, through Friday, January 1<sup>st</sup>**

Office Closed

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**Lottie Moon Christmas Offering**  
**National Goal \$175 Million Dollars**  
**Our Goal \$7,000.00**