A spirit of thankfulness will take us far in helping us to appreciate the little things around us, as well as those things we might consider “bigger blessings”. It’s amazing to think that everything that comes into our lives first of all is sifted through the loving hands of our Heavenly Father! In thinking about thankfulness, I’m reminded of a little story entitled; *Remarkable Thankfulness* that goes something like this...

When thieves robbed Matthew Henry, the English author, he still found something to be thankful for. He wrote these words in his diary; “Let me be thankful first, because I was never robbed before; second, because, although they took my purse, they did not take my life; third, because it was I who was robbed, not I who robbed.”

Dr. Whyte of Scotland always found something to thank God for in his pulpit prayers. One stormy morning, a disgruntled member of his congregation thought to himself, ‘The preacher will have nothing to thank God for on a wetted morning like this.’ But Whyte began his prayer; “We thank Thee, O God, that it is not always like this.”

In reading these short stories, we come to realize that we too surely can find something to be thankful for even in the midst of some of the most trying and difficult circumstances of life. Let’s take time not only to *be* thankful, but also do our best to share the importance of thankfulness with those around us.

1 Thess. 5:18 – “In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.”

**Church-Wide Thanksgiving Dinner**

We will recognize the Thanksgiving Season with a Church-Wide Thanksgiving Dinner on Sunday, November 19th in Beach Hall. More information will come your way ASAP.

Happy Thanksgiving, Pastor Chris
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11:45 Lunch: Beach Hall   Cost $5.00, nothing for you to bring, just come & invite your friends to fellowship with us!

Poinsettias may now be ordered to place in the sanctuary during the Christmas season. Please write your name and who you... which are available in the pew racks and in the foyer. The cost is $15.00 and the deadline is Sunday, December 3th.

Working on Blankets for Safe Harbor

RA Fishing Derby at Barlow’s Home

21 girls and 5 moms!!

New!!! Middle & High School Groups split up and have Bible Study @ 5:30p Tuesdays ~ High School Girls Accountability 7am (Access

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feeling with us!

1:00 PM First Senior Choir Rehearsal in Chapel

Church-Wide Thanksgiving Dinner

Sunday, November 19th

6PM in Beach Hall

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There are over 2.8 billion people who have never heard the hope of the gospel. But together through the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, we can harness every dollar possible to reach them. The National Goal this year is $160 Million. This year we have a goal of $30,000. For more information about the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering please go to http://www.imb.org/main/lottie-moon/default.asp.

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A few highlights from this past month:

RA Fishing Derby at Barlow’s Home

22 boys and their dads!!

GA Lock-In

21 girls and 5 moms!!

Student Ministry Schedule:

Sundays - Student Center opens @ 5p

New!!! Middle & High School Groups split up and have

Bible Study @ 5:30p

Tuesdays - High School Girls Accountability 7am (Access

Building)

Wednesdays - New!!! Student Center opens @ 3:30p

High School “Awakening” starts @ 4:30p

Wednesday Night Supper @ 4:45p Bring $2 for a kid’s meal, $3 for ½ adult meal or $5 for adult meal.

Youth Momentum Bible Study starts @ 5:30p

November 4th - Student & Leaders go to the Ropes Course @ Epworth

Meet at the Student Center @ 11:30a for a cookout, 12:30p will travel to Epworth and should return around 4:30p. Cost is $25.