

**Hillsville Christian Church**  
**120 Edgewood Drive**  
**Hillsville, VA 24343**



**DISCIPLE**

“By this all men will know that you are by disciples,  
 If you have love for one another.” John 13:35

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**Serving December 16, 2012**

<b>Elders</b>	Erroll Rhea Jett Joyce Spence
<b>Serving</b>	Jeanette Cochran Lois Goad Charlotte Shepard Mike Smith
<b>Greeter</b>	Patrick Ross Kaitlyn Smith
<b>Welcome Leader</b>	Jim Kilbourne
<b>Teller</b>	Dale & Vickie Ross
<b>Flowers</b>	CWF
<b>Refreshments</b>	Lois Jean McGrady

**Remember Our Shut-Ins**

Home	Coolidge Beasley Edd Cole Katie Cooley Dale Crowder Anita Lineberry
Countryside Manor	Jack & Mildred Cooley
Waddell	Hannah Alderman  Ethel Vass
Wheatland	Helen McGrady

**By the Numbers**  
**December 9, 2012**

<b>Sunday School Attend.</b>	28
<b>Sunday School Offering</b>	<b>\$29.00</b>
<b>Worship Service Attend.</b>	57
<b>Worship Service Offering</b>	<b>\$1,685.65</b>
<b>Poinsettias</b>	<b>\$59.56</b>
<b>Food Pantry</b>	<b>\$20.00</b>
<b>Christmas Offering</b>	<b>\$26.00</b>
<b>Office Supply Offering</b>	<b>\$10.00</b>

**Need Gift Ideas?**

Do you have people on your gift list that you still need to find something small but appreciated? People such as a mail carrier, a school bus driver, a hair stylist or nail manicurist, a neighbor or someone who has done a special favor during the past year? We still have eleven pints of apple butter at \$4.00 a pint we would like to get sold. We also have one plain cheese ball in the fridge. There are still a few more frozen pecan cheese balls from last year we will sell for half price (\$3.00). If you can use these in your gift giving please turn your money in to Joyce Spence. Happy Holidays!

## Meetings & Events

Prayer Group: Wed., Dec. 19<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 in the prayer room

Caroling: Wed., Dec. 19<sup>th</sup>

Disciple Men: Thurs., Dec. 20<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 at Rio Grande

Christmas Party: Sun., Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30

Christmas Eve: Mon., Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00

## This Week's Prayer Concerns

Church Members: Raleigh Cooley; Diane Dalton; Colene Larrowe; Sharon Larrowe; Tristan Mackey; Eugene Shockley; William Shockley

Family of Members: Ray Dalton; Shirley Harrison; Kevin Harrod; Jake Jacobs; Mary Jett; Joe Jonas; Janet Smith; Mason Thomas; Linda Wilson

Friends: Linda Banks; Jack Edmonds; Olen Gardner Ralph Gibson; Carolyn Horton; Sara Liddle & Family; Clinton Marshall; Ilene Whitt

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Belinda Nichols (Dec. 11)

## This Week's Sermon

Good News!

Based on Luke 3:7-18

## CMF

The Disciple Men are still working to restart our church food drive program. Please bring non-perishable items to the church and leave them under the table in the narthex.

## Looking for Some Advent Quiet?

We have a lovely library now that is available for our use. It is such a warmly decorated room in which to read, meditate, and be blessed with the love of God. There are many books to read there or borrow for home reading. There are also several church photo albums to enjoy. Please make use of this beautiful gift that Phyllis has given us in memory of her beloved mother Arlie.

Jesus, many people rejoice because they have sought you and found you; but I rejoice because you have sought and found me.

The shepherds of Bethlehem, to whom the angels appeared, were full of joy; they heard the message and saw the glory. But I am more joyful than the shepherds, because I have heard the Gospel from your own lips and not from angels. You said to me, "Come to me, and I will make your burden light." That is why I am more joyful than the shepherds of Bethlehem.

The wise men from the East saw the star and were happy, they searched you out and brought you presents. But I am happier than those wise men, because it is you who searched me out; you have brought me the richest present in the world, my salvation. That is why I am happier than the wise men from the East.

Simeon the prophet rejoiced as he sang, "My eyes have seen your salvation." I have not seen you, but I have believed in you. And since you called those happy who believe without seeing, I have reached the peaks of contentment.

--Johnson Gnanabaranam, India  
*Prayers Encircling the World*

