

**Hillsville Christian Church
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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 7, 2014	
Elders	Rita Smith Joyce Spence
Diaconate	Margaret Jett Kaitlyn Smith Paul Smith Donna Webb
Greeter	Lois Goad Patrick Ross
Welcome Leader	Erroll Rhea Jett
Teller	Lois Jean McGrady
Flowers	CWF
Refreshments	TBA

By The Numbers 11-30-14	
SS Attendance	20
SS Offering	\$8.71
Worship Attendance	66
Worship Offering	\$1,594.00
Food Pantry Offering	\$20.00
Use of Building	\$100.00
Poinsettias	\$5.50
Russell Stilwell Mem	\$25.00

Remember Our Shut-Ins	
Home	Edd Cole Dale Crowder Anita Lineberry
Countryside Manor	Mildred Cooley
Wheatland	Helen McGrady

A Thought for Advent

The prophet Isaiah announces good news: God comforts and strengthens a wearied and exiled people in preparation for their homeward journey. Mark's Gospel announces the good news of God in Jesus Christ: God comes to turn the world right side up and baptize us with the Holy Spirit. As we prepare to celebrate the birth of the Messiah, what is the beginning of God's good news in your life, and how will it change the way you approach this season of expectation and hope?

Meetings & Events

District Advent: Sun., Dec. 7th at 5:00,
Petunia CC

CMF: Thurs., Dec. 11th at 5:30,
Shoneys

Angel Tree Party: Fri., Dec. 12th at 7:00

Board Meeting: Sun., Dec. 14th after
worship

Blue Christmas Service: Thurs., Dec.
18th at 7:00

Christmas Party: Sun., Dec. 21st at
6:00

This Week's Prayer Concerns

Church Members: Carl & Sandy Davis;
Cassandra Donaldson; Guy Hanks;
Tristan Mackey; Eugene Shockley

Family of Members: Bill Allman; Emily
Bowman; Jason Brashears; Kevin
Harrod; Harlie Hubbard; Paul Nester;
Ernie Shockley; Sarah Siebert; Family
of Curtis Spencer

Friends: Linda Banks; Family of Amos
Bowman; Mary Coble; Indira Rose
Edwards; Kari Edwards; Herbert
Graham; Carolyn Horton; Colene
Larowe; Linda Lovell; Ava
Quesenberry; Joey Roark; Robert
Riffe; Ronny Robinson; Tony
Robinson; Melissa Sawyers; Cody
Stone

Food Pantry

The Food Pantry items for December
are tomato soup, pork & beans, instant
potatoes, Treet, and Spam. Thank you
for your support!

Happy Birthday

Bill Lineberry – November 25
Joyce Spence – December 3
Anita Lineberry – December 7
Ralph Thorne – December 8

This Week's Sermon

Found at Peace
Based on 2 Peter 3:8-15

Angel Tree

If you are purchasing gifts for this year's Angel Tree please have your wrapped and labeled gifts under the tree in McGrady Hall by this Sunday, December 7th. The Disciple Men will be hosting a party for the children on Friday, December 12th at 7:00; if you would like to help with the party please talk to Dale Ross. Thanks to all who are making Christmas a little brighter for children with a parent in prison.

Blue Christmas

Once again HCC will be hosting a Blue Christmas Service on Thursday, December 18th at 7:00. This is a special service designed for those who find it difficult to enter into the joyful celebrations of Christmas: those who are grieving, sick, worried, or in any other kind of trouble. The service is a time for us to be honest about our lives, to realize we are not alone, and to be reminded of the hope and comfort at the heart of the Christmas story.

Prayer for the Week

Lord, how I love this season of new beginnings, the opportunity to turn toward you and start again. Empower me to be a messenger of good news, and a leveling influence along the way, as I seek to be one with you in smoothing out the rough places I encounter. Amen.