## The GoldSheet December 3, 2023

**Lottie Moon Christmas Offering...** Each December, we receive this offering for international missions. Our church goal is \$8,500. You may give on Realm or in a regular offering envelope. Prayer guides are inserted into your bulletin.

**Lottie Moon Post Office...** One way to give to Lottie Moon is to utilize our Lottie Moon Post Office. Cards can be sent to Northlake friends for a suggested donation of 20¢ per card. Post office boxes are located near the stairs in the Gathering Hall.

**Carols, Cookies & Cocoa...** Get in the holiday spirit by joining us tonight at 6 pm in the Worship Center as we enjoy a Christmas concert by the Brookside Quartet, followed by cookies and cocoa in the Gathering Place.

**Neighborhood Outreach...** Our next neighborhood outreach event is Sun, Dec 10 at 1:30 pm. We will canvas the streets near the church to invite our neighbors to join us for our gingerbread house building contest & Christmas Eve service. Come "adopt" a street as we get to know our neighbors. We will go out in teams of at least 2 and distribute prepared handouts. Meet in the Gathering Place at 1:30 pm to get maps & handouts.

Christmas Shop Gift Purchases... This year, we will be helping families that we have met through our ESL Ministry by providing new children's gifts made available to them for purchase at 75%-80% off retail prices. You can help by purchasing items from the Walmart registry list using the QR code to the right or by giving Walmart gift cards or monetary donations. Thank you in advance for your generosity that will bless families in our community.



**Christmas Shop Volunteers...** Volunteers are needed to run our Christmas Shop event on Wed, Dec 13. Volunteers will be provided with a pizza dinner at 5:30 pm in the Multi-Purpose Center. Job assignments and instructions will be given at that time. Please don't miss this opportunity to minister to our community. Sign up on your Connection Card or on Realm if you plan to volunteer.

**Adult Choir Presentation...** You are invited to join us next Sunday at 10:45 am as the Adult Choir presents *This Is Christmas*.

Gingerbread House Building Contest... Families or friends groups are invited to join us for a fun Northlake tradition on Sat, Dec 16 at 6 pm. All basic supplies are provided, but you are encouraged to bring your own edible "secret ingredients" to make your creation special. We are inviting our neighbors to attend, so consider joining us for opportunities to make connections with them.

**December Bible Reading Plan...** December reading plans are available at the Welcome Desk. Each reading will help us focus on Jesus by reading prophecies about Jesus or about his birth.

**Connection Cards...** We ask that everyone in attendance fill out a Connection Card (inserted into your bulletin). After the service, ushers will collect cards at the exit doors.

**Welcome, Guests!...** We are glad you are here! If you are a first-time visitor at Northlake, we invite you to drop by the Welcome Desk on your way out to turn in your Connection Card and pick up a free gift.

Wi-Fi Password... Our Wi-Fi network is Northlake. Join using password TellHisStory.

Weekly GoldSheets... are available at nbcgarland.org or on Realm.

## TURNING ADVENT INTO AN OUTLET: CLAIM THE PROMISE OF HOPE FULFILLED (Isaiah 9:1-7)

We know that hope has come because		
1.	God shines His	_ into sin's
	(vs.1-2)	
2.	God brings us	_ from life's
	(vs.3-5)	
3.	God gives	to save lost
	(vs.6-7)	

"Give me the love that leads the way, the faith that nothing can dismay, the hope no disappointments tire, the passion that will burn like fire.

Let me not sink to be a clod: Make me Thy fuel, Flame of God."

(Amy Carmichael)

## Report for 11/26/23 Bible Study Attendance—130 **Budget Giving 11/26/23** \$16,377.47 **Weekly Budget Need** \$14,151.00 **Year-to-Date Budget Giving** \$494.109.31 **YTD Budget Need** \$495,285.00 \$50.00 Finish the Work Giving 11/26/23 Balance Due on Loan \$522,424.27 **Project Nehemiah Phase 2 Balance to Date** \$94,519.19 Thank you for your continued faithful giving!