

## Financial Summary

	January 2, 2008	
Undesignated Gifts		\$ 6,040.00
Designated Gifts		\$ 1,960.66
Total Offering		\$ 8,000.66
	January 13, 2008	
Undesignated Gifts		\$ 2,759.50
Designated Gifts		\$ 762.07
Total Offering		\$ 3,521.57
	January 20, 2008	
Canceled Service due to snow/ice		
	January 27, 2008	
Undesignated Gifts		\$ 5,998.00
Designated Gifts		\$ 241.90
Total Offering		\$ 6,239.90

### General Fund

December General Fund Receipts	\$18,442.85
December General Fund Expenses	-\$18,410.09
December General Fund Net	\$ 32.76
General Fund Year to Date Balance	-\$ 8,622.28



## February Birthdays

2/3	Amanda Phillips
2/5	Matthew Ashworth
2/7	Delbert Lauten, Jr., Marie Scott
2/8	Mary Anne Baker
2/10	Randy Thompson
2/11	Cheryle Bodenhamer
2/14	Jonathan Craven
2/17	Aaron Reavis
2/20	Daniel Lauten
2/21	Brooke Doss
2/22	Jennie Buckner
2/23	Jimmy Sczudlo
2/24	Mike Simmons, Betty Johnson, Emma Craven
2/25	Kristi Lakey, Bessie Young
2/27	Charlene Dunlap, Kathy Henson

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Organist  
Pianist  
Secretary

# Union Cross Baptist News

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*"A European Starry Night"*

*Saturday, February 9<sup>th</sup>*

*5:30 pm*

*in the*

*Fellowship Hall*



Menu  
*Steak, baked potato, salad, bread,  
dessert and drink*

*\$12.00*

*Chicken nuggets, potato chips,  
dessert and drink*

*\$ 5.00*



**MARK'S MUSINGS**

We all know that time flies. But sometimes it flies gently, like a kite in the breeze. Other times (such as now), it flies like it is strapped to a rocket. Didn't we just take the Chrismon tree down a couple of days ago? And now it's only a week and a half until Ash Wednesday, with Easter coming up fast. And beyond that, how did it get to be 2008? Weren't we all stocking up for the big Y2K crash only a year or so ago?

I'm not complaining about all of this, you understand. But it is food for thought. That unlikely theologian John Lennon once wrote, "Life is what happens to you while you're busy making other plans." We're all busy making plans, trying to keep up, getting through another day, another week. But what are we doing with our time? Or to make the question even bigger, what are we making with our lives? Another songwriter I like, Billy Crockett, once wrote, "There is no practice life. This is it." This is it, the one life we're given. What will we make of it?

The season of Lent invites us to take a deep breath and slow down long enough to ask some of these big questions about our lives, especially about our lives as people who claim to follow Jesus. Lent begins February 6 with our Ash Wednesday Service. I hope that you will join in this season of reflection. Ask the questions. Make the time. It's only your life that is at stake.

Grace and peace,  
Mark



will be held on Saturday, February 9<sup>th</sup>, at 9:00 am – 2:00 pm in the Food Lion parking lot of Union Cross Station. Thank you for helping us help those who are in need.



**Senior Moments Highlights**

We will be going to CiCi's Pizza for our monthly luncheon on Thursday, February 28<sup>th</sup>. So join us for a time of fun fellowship. For more information contact Brenda Grose.

**Nursery Schedule**

February 3, 2008 (Sun)	Amy Simmons & Beverly Yokeley AM Beverly Weavil 7:00 – 8:00 PM
February 6, 2008 (Wed)	Kathy Horton
February 10, 2008 (Sun)	Delese & Alan Venable AM Nancy Clodfelter 7:00 – 8:00 PM
February 13, 2008 (Wed)	Jean Foster
February 17, 2008 (Sun)	Teresa Riggs AM Edna Bond 7:00 – 8:00 PM
February 20, 2008 (Wed)	Alice Striplin
February 24, 2008 (Sun)	Mattie & Clint McCann AM Kathryn Ashworth
February 27, 2008 (Wed)	Teresa Riggs

**Children's Church & Wee Church Schedule**

Feb. 3, (Children's)	Jennifer Brantley & Sylvia Phillips
Feb. 3, (Wee)	Jane Sutphin & Beverly Weavil
Feb. 10, (Children's)	Mike & Amy Simmons
Feb. 10, (Wee)	Susie Hilton & Alice Striplin
Feb. 17, (Children's)	Phillip & Jennifer Watson
Feb. 17, (Wee)	Sharon Thompson & Beverly Weavil
Feb. 24, (Children's)	Randy Honeycutt & Christy Litaker
Feb. 24, (Wee)	Cathy Beaver & Sarah Horton

**UCBC Families!**

February is an exciting month for us! We'll begin the Lenten Season with our Ash Wednesday service on the 6<sup>th</sup>. This is a time for our whole church family to come together on a Wednesday night and start our journey through Lent to Easter. I look forward to seeing you there! Next we'll celebrate Valentine's Day with a banquet and Silent Auction to benefit the youth trip to summer camp. Then, I'm excited to welcome you all to a five-week Intergenerational Study that Mark and I will lead on Sunday nights beginning on the 17<sup>th</sup>. The study is just what it sounds like: a time for all our church family, of all ages, to study God's stories together. I hope you'll find this time to be refreshing and renewing as your family's Sunday night routine changes a bit in Lent.



**WOM Mission Project**

In January, the Women on Mission delivered homemade cookies to the family of Melvin Ellis in the Cancer Center in High Point and also to the Hospice Home in High Point.

At our January monthly meeting, we all signed a get well card for Vernell, a dedicated WOM member recovering from heart surgery.

We spent considerable time brainstorming ways to reach out to our community and following are the projects we discussed and hope to embark on in the near future:

1. Continue with the Hospice cookies and periodically collect breakfast items, puddings, Kleenex, etc. for the Hospice facilities; also to provide a meal for families at the Hospice Home
2. Make neck and small soft round pillows for patients in Hospice
3. Make heart shaped pillows for patients in local cardiac units to be used immediately following heart surgery.
4. Sew more "cuddlies" for Newborns in Need
5. Begin a homemade quilt to be presented to someone undergoing long term or terminal illness
6. Prepare Easter baskets for the children at the Women's Shelter along with gift bags for the women – this project will be a joint effort with the Baptist Men

Jean also learned of a need for adult size bibs and "fidget" aprons for Hospice and a couple of the members have already begun making these items.

To enable our members to work at home during the winter months, the sewing projects will become "tag – relay" team efforts. Some members will cut out the fabric, pass it on to others who will sew and then on to others who will be asked to stuff the pillows. If you are interested in helping, please contact Jean, Nancy or Jane.

UNION CROSS REACHES OUT TO SHOW HIS LOVE as we illustrate our willingness to be open to the needs of others.

