

Prayer?

Please list your prayer requests with detailed information of people in need. Thank you!

Year-End Giving.

To be sure you receive contribution credit for 2023, please have your giving to the Finance Office by the following times:

Offering: Dropped in the giving boxes on or before Sunday, December 31, 2023.

Postal Mail: Post-marked by USPS by December 31, 2023 (any mail postmarked in 2024 will be credited to 2024).

Online: By 11:59pm on December 31, 2023.

Hand-delivered: By 12:00pm, Thursday, December 21, 2023*

*The church offices will be closed between December 22nd and January 2nd so please make prior arrangements for your year-end giving. If you have any questions or special considerations, please email the Finance Team at finance@eastcooperbaptist.com

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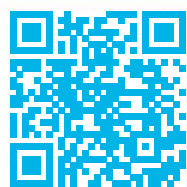
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First Time Guest?

We'd love to get to know you!

SCAN DIGITAL CONNECT CARD



Sermon Notes.

Speaker: Buster Brown, Senior Pastor

Message: Bearing the Reproach of Christ Outside the Camp (The Life of Lottie Moon)

Text: Hebrews 13:13-14

"¹³Therefore let us go to him outside the camp and bear the reproach he endured. ¹⁴For here we have no lasting city, but we seek the city that is to come." Hebrews 13:13-14

A higher calling drives out lesser fear.

Charlotte (Lottie) Diggs Moon
December 12, 1840 - December 24th, 1912

Lottie Moon Timeline

- 1840: Born into a family of privilege and wealth in Virginia. (The fourth child born into a family of 5 girls and 2 boys).
- 1853: Her father died when she was 13 years old.
- 1854-1861: Educated at Virginia Female Seminary and Albemarle Female Institute. John Broads referred to her as the most educated woman in the South.
- 1858: Became a believer at the age of 18 on December 12, after anonymously going to a prayer meeting and being kept awake by a barking dog after hearing the gospel.
- 1861-1865: Civil War.
- 1865-1873: Teacher in Danville, Kentucky and Cartersville, Georgia (Mother dies in 1870).
- 1872: Sister Edmonia goes to China as a missionary.
- 1873: Lottie Moon goes to China as a missionary.
- 1861 & 1880: Rejects marriage proposal from C.H. Toy.
- 1912: Dies en route to the U.S. in Kobe, Japan on December 24th.

Lessons from the Life of Lottie Moon:

1. Do not grow weary or disparage contending with feisty/spirited children! (Such as Lottie Moon).
"Please say to the new missionaries that they are coming to a life of hardship, responsibility, and constant self-denial. They must live, the greater part of the time, in Chinese houses, in close contact with the people. They will be alone in the interior and will need to be strong and courageous. If 'the joy of the Lord' be 'their strength', the blessedness of the work will more than compensate for its hardships. Let them come 'rejoicing to suffer' for the sake of that Lord and Master who freely gave his life for them." Lottie Moon
2. She saw "sacrifice" as the biblical norm for all Christians.
"With respect to this they are surprised when you do not join them in the same flood of debauchery, and they malign you." 1 Peter 4:4
"Then they left the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer dishonor for the name." Acts 5:41

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3. Doctrine defined and informed her life.

"So, in the last resort, we must turn down or disqualify our nearest and dearest when they come between us and our obedience to God. Heaven knows, it will seem to them sufficiently like hatred. We must not act on the pity we feel; we must be blind to tears and deaf to pleadings... it is too late, when the crisis comes to begin telling a wife or husband or mother or friend that your love all along had a secret reservation - 'under God'. They ought to have been warned; not, to be sure, explicitly, but by the implication of a thousand talks, by the principle revealed in a hundred decisions upon small matters." C.S. Lewis, The Four Loves, p. 124-125

Example of breaking off her engagement with C.H. Toy in 1980 over his lack of biblical theology. She would go on and serve as a single missionary for 32 more years.

4. She embraced the precious biblical balance of the Word of God as energized by and taught by the Holy Spirit.
"Words fail to express my love for this Holy Book, my gratitude for its author, for his love and goodness. How shall I thank him for it?" Lottie Moon
"I feel my weakness and inability to accomplish anything without aid of the Holy Spirit... Please make special prayer for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit in Pingtu, that I may be clothed with power from on high by the indwelling of the Spirit in my heart." Lottie Moon
5. She exhibited great energy and endurance in her calling. A high calling drives out all fears.
6. She grew in her love for the Chinese people and her commitment to them.
7. She ended her life by conspicuous humility in the things of the Lord.

"The needs of these people press upon my soul, and I cannot be silent. It is grievous to think of these human souls going down to death without even one opportunity of hearing the name of Jesus. Once more I urge upon the consciences of my Christian brethren and sisters the claims of these people among whom I dwell. Here I am working alone in a city of many thousand inhabitants, with numberless villages clustered around stretching away in the illuminate distance: how many can I reach? Why are the laborers so few? Where we have four, we should have not less than one hundred. Are these wild words? They would not seem so were the church of God awake to her high privilege and her weighty responsibilities." Lottie Moon

QUESTIONS:

1. What impacted Lottie Moon as she came to faith in Christ at the age of 18?
2. She was referred to on numerous occasions as someone with a "feisty personality." How did her feistiness serve her during almost 38 years in China?
3. How did Lottie Moon handle the inevitable sorrows and heartbreaks of life?

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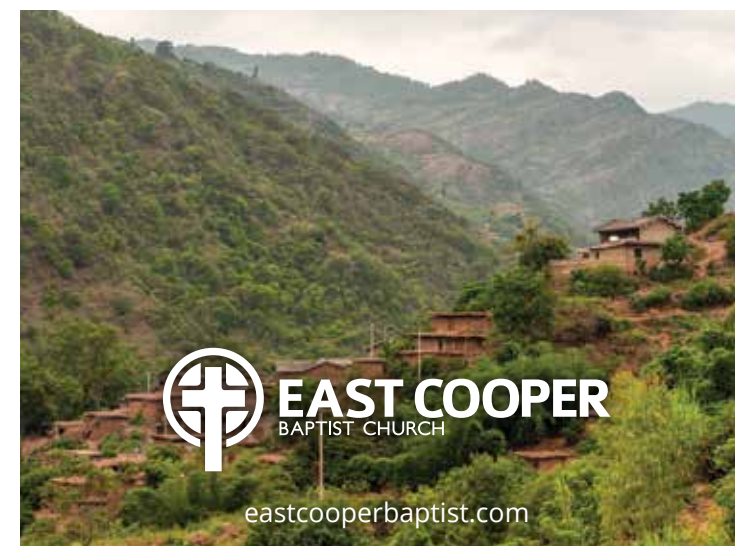
DECEMBER 3, 2023



LOTTIE MOON
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DECEMBER - JANUARY



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Sanctuary 9:30am & 11:00am
Contemporary Worship and Classes
Worship Center 9:30am & 11:00am

Ways to Give.

Giving is part of our worship to God. Through your faithful giving, God continues to change lives here in our area and around the world.



Give in-person by dropping your gift in any giving box located throughout the church.

Give online by visiting our website at: eastcooperbaptist.com/give.



Give via text by texting the word "GIVE" to 843-202-4848.

Get to Know.

Scott Kelly

ELDER ON THE CLASSES TEAM

While in the US Army Ranger School, Scott repented and surrendered his life to Jesus. The Lord appeared to Scott in a vision and revealed his depravity and need for a savior. He has attended East Cooper since 2018 and serves with the Young Adult ministry.

LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING®
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Starting in 1888, the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering was established to empower the international missions efforts for Southern Baptists. Your giving enables missionaries to be sent to make disciples and multiply churches among unreached peoples and places for the glory of God. 100% of your gifts to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering support International Mission Board (IMB) missionaries.



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The International Mission Board uses 100% of the gifts given to Lottie Moon to send missionaries all over the world. Our church goal is \$625,000. You may give:

- **ONLINE** at eastcooperbaptist.com/lottiemoon
- **BY GIVING BOX**
- **TEXT 843-202-4848:** GIVE #lottiemoon 50 (to give \$50.00)

You may check the progress of our offering online, too! Questions, please email: finance@eastcooperbaptist.com

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Upcoming.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT
You are invited to our 2023 Christmas concert, "The Arrival" featuring the East Cooper Baptist Choir, Orchestra, and Worship Band. **December 8** at 7:00pm & **December 9** at 4:00 & 7:00pm.
GET TICKETS ONLINE.
eastcooperbaptist.com/events

REFRESH 2024 CLASS
We are asking all members to take this class beginning in January. You will have the opportunity to hear an update on our vision and goals, and specific teaching on Living Generously. This class will be offered at both hours on Sundays and on Wednesday evenings.
REGISTER ONLINE.
eastcooperbaptist.com/refresh

FAMILY MISSION TRIP
This team will work with partners, Steve and April, to host an outreach camp for local children, in partnership with a local church. We need 4-5 families to be a part of this team.
APPLY ONLINE.
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Financial Update.

Giving Year-to-date \$ 1,760,231
Budget Required \$ 1,959,870

(fiscal year: August 1, 2023-July 31, 2024)

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12.3.23

Hello.

Please complete the perforated section and take to the Welcome Desk or place in any giving box located around the church.

I/We attended worship at:
☐ 9:30am ☐ 11:00am
☐ I am a first time guest

Name

Spouse

Birthdate Spouse Birthdate

Address

City

State Zip

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Preferred method of contact:
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