

## BRIEFS

American Legion Auxiliary Unit 155 will honor Girls State Citizens and their families at a dinner Thursday at 6 p.m., American Legion Building.

**EAST GOLD STREET WESLEYAN CHURCH** – will hold the annual Hanging of the Greens service Dec. 1 at 6 p.m. The public is invited to experience this beautiful candlelight service ushering in the Christmas season.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**, King St., will hold several December events. Christmas Sampler and Hanging of the Greens will be held Dec. 1 at 6 p.m.; Keyboards at Christmas will be held Dec. 8 at 3 p.m. Christmas Musical will be presented Dec. 22 at 6 p.m. and 8:30 p.m.

## MEDITATION



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Pastor  
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# We are called to give thanks

*"We also constantly give thanks to God for this, that when you received the word of God that you heard from us, you accepted it not as a human word but as what it really is, God's word, which is also at work in you believers." 1 Thessalonians 2:13*

We continue our meditation focus on ways God calls us to give thanks in scripture as we near the Thanksgiving holiday. This is a time of the year when many pause each and every day to give thanks for something in

their lives. The holiday season gives us great opportunity to be with friends and family and to focus on what is important in our lives; we focus on the blessings God has provided us with. We have so much to be thankful for and at the top of that list, may we be thankful for a relationship with our savior and Lord, Jesus Christ.

In this passage from 1 Thessalonians, the author is giving thanks for the word of God. I wonder how often in our thanksgivings do we give thanks for the word of God. God communicates with us through the Holy Scriptures. We read the inspired word of God and we read a message of hope, of salvation and of

love. We read the narrative that is found in the Bible and we can relate to stories that happened so long ago. We can experience through the scriptures how God continually reaches out, as he desires a relationship with us. We see the power of redemption as sin, the devil and death have been defeated and God's love wins. Today, let us give thanks for the word of God.

But, the author of 1 Thessalonians says more in this passage that is important as we give thanks for God's word. The author gives thanks that the people had received the word of God and that it was accepted as God's word. And, even more than that, the author gives thanks

in this passage that the word of God is at work in God's people who have accepted it as truth. When God's word is at work in us, we are answering his call for us to go out and make disciples of all nations. When God's word is at work in us, we are his hands and feet in this world as we share his love with others. When God's word is at work in us, we praise God that we know the truth and the truth will set us free.

We give thanks this Thanksgiving holiday that we have the gift of God's word. We give thanks that we have received and accepted his word as truth. And we give thanks that the word of God is at work in us. Amen.

## Fellowship & Faith

# Church Service Directory

### KINGS MOUNTAIN

**Advent Lutheran Church,**  
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KM Senior Center  
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704-473-1372

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420 Branch Street  
704-739-7700

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Kings Mountain YMCA  
211 Cleveland Ave.

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Edgemont Drive  
704-739-4917

**Burning Bush House of God**  
310 Long Branch Rd (KM)  
704-739-2877

**Calvary Way Holiness Church**  
1017 Second Street  
Pastor Clifton Morgan

**Carson Memorial Baptist Church**  
262 Sparrow Springs Road  
704-739-2247

**Central United Methodist Church**  
113 S. Piedmont Avenue  
704-739-2471

**Cherokee St. Baptist Church**  
421 S. Cherokee Street  
704-739-7697

**Chestnut Ridge Baptist Church**  
618 Chestnut Ridge Road  
704-739-4015

**Christian Freedom Southern Baptist Church**  
246 Range Road  
704-739-4152

**Christ The King Catholic Church**  
714 Stone Street  
704-487-7697

**Church at Kings Mountain**  
108 E. Mountain St.  
(KM Women's Club Bldg.)  
704-739-1323

**Cornerstone Church Of God**  
202 Margrace Road  
704-739-3773

**Cornerstone Independent Baptist**  
107 Range Road  
704-737-0477

**Crowders Mountain Baptist**  
125 Mayberry Lane  
704-739-0310

**David Baptist Church**  
2300 David Baptist Church Road  
704-739-4555

**Dixon Presbyterian Church**  
602 Dixon School Road  
dixonpresbyterian.com

**East Gold Street Wesleyan Church**  
701 E. Gold Street  
704-739-3215

**East Kings Mountain Church of God**  
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704-739-7367

**Eastside Baptist Church**  
308 York Road  
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122 El-bethel Road  
704-739-9174

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605 W. King Street  
704-739-3651

**First Church of the Nazarene**  
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704-734-1143

**First Presbyterian Church**  
111 E. King Street  
704-739-8072

**First Wesleyan Church**  
505 N. Piedmont Avenue  
704-739-4266

**Galilee United Methodist**  
117 Galilee Church Road  
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**Gospel Assembly Church**  
202 S. Railroad Avenue  
704-739-5351

**Good Hope Presbyterian Church**  
105 N. Cansler Street  
704-739-1062

**Grace Fellowship**  
144 West Mountain Street  
704-481-8888

**Grace United Methodist Church**  
830 Church Street  
704-739-6000

**Harvest Baptist Church**  
144 Ware Road  
704-734-0714

**Kings Mountain Baptist Church**  
101 W. Mountain Street  
704-739-2516

**Life of Worship Ministries**  
405 S. Cherokee St.  
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## Featured Church of the Week: David Baptist Church

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