



# THE OUTLOOK

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## OUR MISSION

To demonstrate the love of Christ at the corner of Boulevard and the world.

## OUR VISION

Our vision is to be a caring community of faith that honors Christ, respects the individual, acknowledges diversity, encourages spiritual growth, and provides opportunities of service.



Dear Church,

As we settle into a new calendar year, I invite us to take a moment to recall the Ground and Goal Framework that our BBC Vision Team cast for us years ago and that we as a church affirmed as being a useful rubric for assessing our thoughts, deeds, words, and plans—both on an individual level and on a church level.

**The Ground:** The Fruit of the Spirit.

**The Goal:** The Kingdom of God (as depicted and embodied by Jesus)

As we move forward in this new year, let us recommit to acting, speaking, thinking, and planning *out of* the fruit of the spirit, and let us recommit to aiming such things *toward* the Coming Kingdom.

Or, put differently: let us recognize and refrain from all acts, words, thoughts, and plans that do not originate in the fruit of the spirit, and let us re-direct any of these things that are aimed at anything other than the Kingdom.

In a world marked by so much enmity and strife and resentment and dissension—all of which the apostle Paul lists as being the opposite of the fruit of the spirit (Gal 5: 16-21)—let us strive to live by the spirit.

And in a world in which the highest good is too often represented by self-interest and increased power and material gain (Matt 4: 1-11; Luke 4: 1-12), let us strive to hold out as the highest good the Coming Kingdom of God.

May the light we shine at the corner of Boulevard shine brightly in 2026 for all of Anderson—and for all the world—to see!

All my love,

Austin



During the months of November and December, we donated 2,483 pounds of food to our neighbors through the Good Neighbor Cupboard. Thank you for your support! This month we are focusing on Anderson Pregnancy Care. Anderson Pregnancy Care is a faith-based nonprofit that has served families for over 30 years. They are committed to educating, encouraging, and supporting women facing untimely pregnancies. They do this by providing free and confidential services, including pregnancy tests and limited ultrasounds. They offer educational information on pregnancy, adoption, and parenting options. They also operate an incentive program to supply clothing, diapers, formula, and furnishings for mothers and babies.

What an important resource to our community! ~ Lucy

I don't know about you, but the start of a new year brings such excitement. A new year of growth, of change, of learning, friendships, you name it. It's a fresh start, a blank slate. I feel this way about the new year in all areas of my life. Including our children's ministry and in our congregation. The possibilities that we have for this next year are endless. It's just a matter of setting our hearts and minds to it and working together to achieve it. The new year also allows me the chance to pause and consider what goals I have for my ministry. Goals for what I hope is accomplished, for what I hope is learned, what I hope is experienced. It's my prayer that this year would be that of new ideas, new experiences, and new growth for us all! ~ Anna Kate



# SOUPER BOWL OF CARING

Help Us Tackle Hunger in Anderson!  
Souper Bowl of Caring Collection  
February 8th as You Leave Worship  
To AIM Food Pantry

SHROVE TUESDAY  
PANCAKE SUPPER  
FEBRUARY 17  
4:30 - 7:00 p.m.  
(FH)

### Thanks, Boulevard!

Thank you to each one who supported Boulevard's ministries to DSS November through January. Together we provided Christmas gifts for 85 children and a monetary gift for the purchase of pack 'n plays. Jennifer Neeley, Family Preservation Program Coordinator at DSS, sent the note that follows.

*"Thank you, Boulevard, for your continued support of Anderson County DSS. You again went above and beyond to provide for our families who were in need of Christmas gifts and more. It was a blessing to receive the gift cards for teenagers as well as the monetary gift for pack'n plays which, in many cases, will prevent removal of an infant from their home. Your kindness and generosity brought so much joy to so many children and families! We are so grateful for your continued support. You all truly are doing God's work and we thank you."*

ASH WEDNESDAY  
join us for  
THE BEGINNING  
OF THE LENTEN  
SEASON  
February 18

# Welcome, New Members



Join us in welcoming Bill & Cindy Charland, 104 Ashlawn Court, Anderson, SC 29625-5139, as the newest members of the Boulevard Baptist Church family.



## February Emphases:

**John 13:35**

This is how everyone will recognize that you are my disciples, when they see the love you have for each other. Praying for one another fosters love & unity within our church and our community & even our world.

## 22<sup>nd</sup> Alternative Gift Fair



Please accept our deepest thanks and appreciation to all who participated in and supported the 22<sup>nd</sup> Alternative Gift Fair! Many helping hands worked together! The Gifts of Love plus proceeds from the Corner Bakery's baked goods (\$3,336.50) and silent auction (\$905.00) were distributed to our community Ministry Partners. Rahab's Rope sales were \$5,085.00. The total for the Fair was \$20,539.50. *To God be the Glory!*



**February 16, 2026**  
**10:00 a.m. FH**

The program will be presented by Edith Hamilton from Boulevard's ministries to Honduras. For more information call Billie Aman or Becky Lynch.

We're excited to announce a new, simpler way to give! To make supporting our church as easy as your daily transactions, we're adding Apple Pay and Google Pay to our online giving platform.



**Baked with Love**

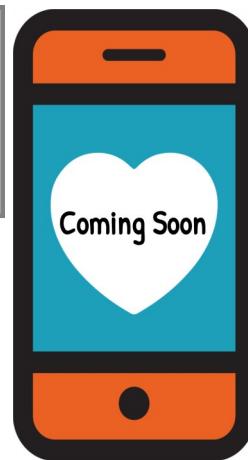
**March 1, 6 p.m. (FH)**



## Cinderella Project

Anderson's Cinderella Project will convene on March 7<sup>th</sup> at Katharine Marie Weddings to offer free formal wear for high school girls whose parents would not otherwise be able to provide clothes for prom, dances, etc. The girls present their school ID to access this shopping opportunity.

Please search your closets and drawers for formal dresses, shoes and jewelry you are no longer planning to use and offer them for the Cinderella Project. Bring your items to the collection room by March 1<sup>st</sup>. All donations will be delivered on Monday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>. For more information contact Becky Lynch. Thanks for your contributions!



## December Stewardship Summary

Budget Offerings:	\$ 138,789.13
Monthly Budget Gol:	\$ 93,528.75
YTD Budget Offerings:	\$ 1,092,868.06
YTD Budget Goal:	\$ 1,122,345.00
December Expenses	\$ 118,798.54
YTD Expenses	\$ 1,160,344.39

### Designated Funds

Beginning Balance	\$ 430,646.14
Debits	\$ 70,321.62
Credits	\$ 133,405.34
Ending Balance	\$ 493,729.86

### Capital Campaign

Pledged	\$ 2,721,213.23
YTD Receipts	\$ 677,539.92
YTD Expenses	\$ 609,992.44
Ending Balance	\$ 889,546.70



This year's trip to Honduras will be July 18-25. If you are interested in going on the trip or if you would like more information about ways that you can give to or help the team, please contact James Cochran (864-436-6972) or Ray Calhoun (864-556-5662). A kickoff meeting will be on January 25, 2:30 p.m. in Room 108.



If you have any questions, please contact Lucy Cauthen.

## PrimeTimers SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY

**February** - Valentine's Day Dinner (catered) on Thursday, February 12th; at 6:00 p.m. (FH). Bill and Linda Forrest will entertain us. Cost: \$15. Sign-up deadline with payment: Friday, January 30th. Please use the Event Registration Envelopes located outside of the church office to register. You may place the envelope in the offering plate or turn into the church office.

**March** - St. Patrick's Day luncheon on Tuesday, March 17th at 11:30 a.m. (FH). This will be a covered dish event, so bring your favorite Irish or American food to share. Jack Roper will entertain with his magic. Sign-up by: Thursday, March 12th.



### Sundays

9:15 a.m. - Sunday School

10:30 a.m. - Worship Service, in-person and via Livestream

3:00 p.m. - Japanese Worship (MPR), 2nd Sunday

### Mondays

8:00 a.m. - Walking Track Open (Gym)

12:00 p.m. - Men's Bible Study (FH), 1st & 3rd Monday

12:00 p.m. - Women's Bible Study (MPR), 1st & 3rd Monday

### Tuesdays

8:00 a.m. - Walking Track Open (Gym)

### Wednesdays

8:00 a.m. - Walking Track Open (Gym)

9:30 a.m. - Prayers & Squares (BFH)

11:00 a.m. - Joyful Ringers Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

6:00 p.m. - Wednesday Prayer Meetings (CAC)

6:30 p.m. - Boulevard Bronze Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

7:15 p.m. - Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

### Thursdays

8:00 a.m. - Walking Track Open (Gym)

11:00 a.m. - Chair Yoga (Blue Room)

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