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# The Beacon

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## **Ring in the New Year**

2023 brings a fresh start and new opportunities. Have you considered joining a ministry team? Check out the latest updates from teams across CBBC as we head into a new year.

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## PASTOR'S REPORT

WRITTEN BY REV. KENNY DANIEL

***“He made the moon to mark the seasons, and the sun knows when to go down.”***

**–Psalm 104: 19**

While Christmas has come and gone, we know that the message of Jesus Christ remains. Likewise, while it feels like winter has come and gone, we know that the bitter cold remains for at least a few more months. Bad comparison? Absolutely. Am headed somewhere? Maybe.

I can't help but reflect about the odd fact that we are entering into the year of 2023. I mean, on one hand, of course, this is to be expected. 2023 naturally comes after 2022, but on the other hand, doesn't time seem to fly?

While I am still a youngster to many in our congregation, it blows my mind every time a childhood song comes on the “Oldies” Rock radio station; something that perhaps a few of you are slightly

more accustomed to by this point. It seems like just the other day we were celebrating the dawning of a new millennium, century, and decade, with the roaring 2000's bursting onto the scene, but here we are, now 23 years removed.

Along the way, certain things remain consistent. In January, it will likely be cold, come May things will start to warm up, by July we will all be wishing it would cool down a little bit, and the cycle goes on. Today I ate a well-balanced breakfast of a blueberry muffin, went on to have lunch, and expect that I will later have dinner. Simply said, some things are consistent.

Rhythms and cycles make up our day, our season, and our life. We can break them down into small regular recurrences, or we can stretch them so wide that 23 years happens in the blink of an



eye. All of this is to say, although *everything* changes, in some ways *nothing* changes. Yet, every now and then something happens out of the blue, unexpectedly. These unplanned, unforeseen things can be both good and bad. From having your airplane delayed, to winning the church fundraiser raffle; from having your first child, to celebrating their fortieth birthday; from meeting the love of your life, to saying your final goodbyes.

As the Wisdom literature suggests, there is a time and season for everything in life. The important thing is that we keep our eyes focused and fixated on God through it all. We praise Him in the continued cold winter, we give God thanks in the warm spring; we say amen when it's hot and humid; we offer song and prayer when the autumn leaves begin to change; and we do it over, and over, and over again. I do not know what 2023 is going to look like for you. I don't know what the tangibles for your family will

look like. I am not even sure what some of the ins and outs of everyday life at the church will be, but I am convinced of one thing.

*As long as we keep our eye on God, stay tuned into Jesus, listen for the direction of the Holy Spirit; as long as we stay on mission as a church, then we are going to have an awesome year together.*

This new year brings new opportunities, new excitements, and an abundance of new chances. This year is a gift from God, and I look forward to walking it with each and every one of you. So yes, we still have some cold months ahead, but Easter is right around the corner, and through the changing of seasons I am reminded, God is good all year long. Here's to a new year, here's to the same good God!

In breath and prayer,  
Pastor Kenny

# Looking Back at 2022

Here's to another prosperous and wonderful year!





# FAMILY MINISTRY UPDATE

TEAM LEADER: MARCY FELTNER

*Our Family Ministry Team continues their dedicated work with our children and youth in Sunday School, Children's Church, Youth Group, Nursery, and RA's and GA's. We are thankful for those who have volunteered to cover the Nursery for Babies & Toddlers (Newborns through Age 2) on Sunday mornings.*

*At the present time, we have teams for the first and second Sundays of the month. We still need volunteers (teams of 2 will work) for the 3rd and 4th Sundays of the month. Ideally, the same team would be in the Nursery for the Sunday School and Worship hour. If this sounds like something you would be interested in doing, please e-mail Della Young at [cbbc.offce@colonialbeachbaptistchurch.org](mailto:cbbc.offce@colonialbeachbaptistchurch.org) or you can e-mail Marcy Feltner at [lfeltner@verizon.net](mailto:lfeltner@verizon.net) if you have any questions.*

*The Youth Group continues to meet on Sunday evenings at 6, and the Royal Ambassadors (RA's) and Girls in Action (GA's) meet on Wednesday evenings from 5:30-6:45. Our team meets quarterly to discuss and plan activities for the children and youth and provide outreach opportunities for fellowship. We will meet soon to discuss proposed mid-winter and spring activities and start planning for VBS. Volunteers are always needed and welcomed for all scheduled events involving the children.*

# january.

8TH – VICKIE & DINAH

15TH – LARRY/MERRIE & RELDA

22ND – TRACEY & CAROLYN

29TH – MARCY & BECCA

# february.

5TH – VICKIE & DINAH

12TH – LARRY/MERRIE & RELDA

19TH – TRACEY & CAROLYN

26TH – MARCY & BECCA

# march

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# children's church rotations

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# 10 Reasons

TO BRING YOUR CHILD TO SUNDAY SCHOOL

*While sleeping late can be nice, have you considered the benefits of Sunday School attendance for your child? Here are 10 reasons to make it a priority in your family.*

- 1. Age Targeted Teaching:** Where else can your kids get Biblical instruction that's focused on their developmental abilities?
- 2. Friends:** In Sunday School, your child will build positive friendships with their peers by discovering God's Word together.
- 3. It's Fun:** Sunday School is not Disney Land, but our teachers do work hard to teach the Bible in ways that are relevant and fun for kids.
- 4. Spiritual Mentors:** A dedicated teacher can be a Christian role model who supports you and helps inspire the faith of your child.
- 5. Systematic Bible Learning:** Our curriculum is designed to give a broad foundation, so children will understand how all the parts of Scripture point to Christ.
- 6. Praying Teachers:** Our teachers consistently pray for your child's faith to grow. Coming to Sunday School gives another occasion for God to answer those requests.
- 7. Big Reward for a Small Investment:** If you're already coming to church, just come a little earlier. That one change will equal over 800 hours of additional Christian teaching before your child graduates.
- 8. Send the Right Message:** Making Sunday School a priority shows your kids that God's Word really does matter more than pillow-time.
- 9. Adult Bible Fellowship:** While the children enjoy their class, you can fellowship with other adults in your own Bible study group.
- 10. You'll Be on Time:** Families who come to Sunday School always get to worship on time. It's the easiest way to avoid being late.

# **RA'S AND WEDNESDAYS, A SPECIAL BLEND**

## **WRITTEN BY MARCY FELTNER**

*The good “busyness,” hallway chatter, energy, and excitement continue as we enter 2023 with our faithful crew of 10 boys on our RA Journey. The boys will continue to learn that missionaries in all parts of the world have “a Christlike concern for all people” and “carry the message of Christ around the world.” Those two phrases are in their RA Pledge and our goals for their young lives as we discuss them each week and recite the pledge together.*

*Our December lessons taught us about the journey of missionaries Chris and Sara Armstrong and their three children and the work they are doing in Tlapa, Mexico, sharing the love of Christ with the Mixtec people. We also took time to share the Christmas story with the crew, read scripture, and talk about the REAL meaning of Christmas. We, of course, added in the fun and “good messiness” of Christmas crafts!*

*January will bring studies of missionary work in Sanger, California, and the work of missionaries Jacob and Francine Zailan reaching out to the people of Sanger, where many live in poverty and many are homeless there. The boys will learn how the Zailans help the people of Sanger find hope in Jesus. February, the boys will journey through their lessons to the Asian Pacific Rim part of the world and*



*learn about the missionary work of Sara\* and John Fenton\* and how they answered God's call to serve in this part of the world. The asterisk here means their names have been changed because of the dangers that often face missionaries working in parts of the world. We explain this to the boys so they can be aware that the work of missionaries can be dangerous, but the love of Christ calls them to these locations, and they are obedient to the call, knowing He will protect them.*

*The words of our RA Pledge that we recite each week are these: "As a Royal Ambassador, I will do my best to become a well-informed, responsible follower of Christ; to have a Christlike concern for all people; to learn how to carry the message of Christ around the world; to work with others in sharing Christ; and to keep myself clean and healthy in mind and body."*

*Our goal is to stress the importance of these attributes in their lives. The energy of 10 boys together is quite high, so we always, always find time for some outside play as they just enjoy the fellowship and friendship they share, and they love the playground.*

*Alice Wilkerson and I are very blessed to share Wednesdays with this group. Always a BIG THANK YOU to the parents and our church family for your continued support.*

# *New Year, New Growth*

*Written by Della Young*

October was my favorite month last quarter. We had a mission focus, but we were busy every week discussing finding the victories in difficulties and the power of prayer. That month held some of my favorite moments of Girls in Action, especially our review night. We played a game I learned in school, "Us or Them," and while the girls enjoyed the competitive aspect of it, they were stellar regarding the review material. I was so impressed, and it warmed my heart to see them understand and explain the concepts we learned.

The girls enjoyed their first covered dish dinner in November, and we studied missionary efforts in Denver, Colorado, throughout the month. December was only two weeks, which brought us a mission focus in Mexico and a Bible study on Christ's birth. We painted wooden crosses and made cookie Christmas ornaments, too, closing out 2022 on a perfect note!

Returning to the GA's Room in 2023, we will dive into missions in Sanger, California, in January and the Asian Pacific Rim in February. Additionally, we will concentrate on individual journeys as GA's, which include spiritual growth and development, learning the Bible, and badge challenge opportunities.

As always, GA's welcomes all girls from first to sixth grade and we meet every Wednesday from 5:30 PM - 6:45 PM. I want to thank my GA girls: Rosy, Kari, Allyson, Jennifer, Gracie, Harper, Sadie, and Kennedy-Ann, for an excellent fall quarter! I also want to thank the parents and guardians who bring the girls each week and our church family for their continued support! As our GA motto states, let's Go Forward!

# WMU MINISTRY UPDATE

***A BIG THANK YOU to everyone for their generous contributions to the Thanksgiving Meal Boxes, Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes, the Angel Tree, and the Lottie Moon Offering.***

***Twenty-eight Thanksgiving meal boxes were distributed, 126 shoeboxes were packed, and fifteen children received Angel Tree gifts. These activities impact the community and the world with the love of Christ. When you gave to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for Foreign Missions, you were helping missionaries spread the Gospel around the world.***

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**May we  
continue our  
mission activities  
in 2023!**

# FELLOWSHIP MINISTRY UPDATE

TEAM LEADER: CAROLYN WILKINS

*There will not be a covered-dish dinner in January. The next will be Wednesday, February 1st. As the date approaches, more information about what to bring will be in the bulletin.*

*In March, the Lenten luncheons will resume. The covered-dish dinner in March will be announced after the finalized Lenten luncheon schedule.*

*These dinners are always a good time of food and fellowship!*

# MUSIC MINISTRY UPDATE

TEAM LEADER: MAHALA BECKER

*Joy to the world, the Lord has come! What a wonderful Christmas season for the CBBC music program. Special thanks once again to everyone who contributed to the Christmas cantata. Our choir, children, and sound crew worked so hard to bring about a special evening full of food and music. Following the cantata was a lovely candlelight service on Christmas Eve to celebrate the birth of our Savior.*

*Have you ever wondered where the tradition of singing "Silent Night" and lighting candles came from? One possibility is Germany, where fires would be lit to welcome travelers to warm themselves and hear about Jesus. In the gospel of John, Jesus refers to Himself as the light. He said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life." - John 8:12*

*Nobody is outside the reach of the light of Jesus. We are called to be a beacon of that light to those around us. How can we spread that light if it doesn't first dwell inside us? A new year of new beginnings is a perfect time to be intentional about time with Jesus. Psalm 119:105 says, "Your word is a lamp for my feet and a light to my path."*

*The story of Christmas wouldn't be complete without the story of Easter! A new cantata is in the works. Stay tuned for details!*

# OUTREACH & TECHNOLOGY MINISTRY UPDATE

TEAM LEADER: BART YOUNG

*"Praise God, from whom all blessings flow." That line from the Doxology beginning is appropriate for how blessed we were in 2022 and continue to be in 2023.*

*Last spring, we finished enhancing our live-streaming capabilities and technology for in-person worship. From generous tithes and fundraising efforts to our very supportive CBBC membership, our Outreach/Technology Ministry has been blessed to help spread His word and Good News to those near and far.*

*Pastor Kenny's messages and the musical performances of our Praise Team and Chancel Choir have been viewed locally and worldwide, with viewers tuning in to our Facebook Live and YouTube live streams.*

*According to the viewership data, we have spread the Good News to every continent except Antarctica - and I'm sure sometime soon, one of the scientists at the McMurdo scientific research station in McMurdo, Antarctica, will find us on Facebook or YouTube! Bringing things back closer to home, the CBBC Outreach/Technology Ministry team*

# OUTREACH & TECHNOLOGY

*supported various community and multi-denominational events hosted by our church. We look forward to supporting many of those same events again this year.*

*Spreading the Good News through the use of technology for in-person and online worship does require people power and we need your help!*

*We are prayerfully looking for volunteers to help with technology on Sundays and the various community events we support throughout the year. We have come a very long way in a short period of time and need volunteers!*

*Did you know that it takes a minimum of 4 people to operate the technology on Sundays? There is an audio board operator for the sanctuary audio system, an audio board operator for the live stream, a PowerPoint operator, and a video switcher operator. When one or more of those current volunteers is either sick or out of town, it's a struggle to support the Sunday service.*

*We are more than happy to train you. If you can operate your smartphone or computer at home, you can be a technology volunteer on Sunday. Come visit us up in the balcony before the service and we can give you a tour of the system. We begin our Sunday service setup and testing at 9:00 AM.*

*Everyone have a blessed 2023!*

# COMMUNITY CONNECTION TEAM UPDATE

TEAM LEADER: RELDA SCHICK

*Happy New Year to all the new residents in the Colonial Beach area! Yes, we're THAT church. Colonial Beach Baptist Church is known as the church that brings fresh bread. We also extend a friendly invitation to come in person to a worship service, Bible study or check us out on Facebook, YouTube, or our website.*

*The Hospitality Team visited over 200 new resident homes in 2022. Our area includes Ebb Tide Beach, Berkley Beach, Placid Bay Estates, Westmoreland/Potomac Shores, Shellfield Shores, The Point, Classic Shores, and Riverside Meadows. In other words, our list encompasses homes in town plus the surrounding 22443 zip code area.*

*Looking for a way to get involved? Please reach out to Relda at 804-761-1230 or [reldaschick@hotmail.com](mailto:reldaschick@hotmail.com) for more information.*





# CBBC FOOD PANTRY

*The Food Pantry is an important outreach ministry in our community. We could not operate the Pantry without our dedicated volunteers: Jane Trail, Arbutus Sanford, Margie Staples, Janet Fields, June Cleek, Judy Hall, John Anderson, and Lee and Marcy Feltner. We are very thankful for them and those who generously donate food to the pantry.*

*Donations are always welcome. Some suggested items always needed are peanut butter, jelly, spaghetti sauce, spaghetti, cereal, and snacks such as Pop-Tarts, breakfast bars, etc. Donations can be brought to the church between 10 AM-2 PM on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, or Sunday morning.*

*The Food Pantry is open every Thursday from 10 AM-12:00 PM and we serve residents in the Colonial Beach area within the 22443 zip code. We are a USDA-certified food pantry affiliated with the Healthy Harvest Food Bank in Warsaw, VA. On average, we serve between 35 and 40 families monthly.*

*In December, we served 49 households, 111 individuals, with 34 of those being seniors. What a blessing it is to serve those in need in our community. Thank you for supporting this important ministry.*

# SPIRITUAL CARE MINISTRY UPDATE

*While the church's ministry teams are essential and work in harmony rather than in competition, the Spiritual Care ministry team is one of our most vital groups. This team serves as an important umbrella for the church covering many different needs—you guessed it—all related to spiritual care. While there are a lot of smaller items that this team facilitates, the responsibilities can be broken down into three main areas: spiritual- growth, relief, and prayer. Let's expand on that a little bit!*

*To help encourage spiritual growth within the church, this team puts together fun Bible studies such as Stephanie's "Read the Bible in a Year" and the Advent scripture study. Likewise, each Wednesday night, there is a Vespers prayer service where we study scripture and reflect on our lives and how we might grow closer to Christ. Finally, the group is looking at bringing back an intentional prayer gathering after one service each quarter. That ties into the group's next focus, prayer!*

*Previously known as the Prayer Warriors, this group blankets the church in prayer regularly. Everything from selecting the weekly pinpoint prayer to overseeing our prayer request box, this group is charged with praying for both the church and the world. While we urge all people to be in continuous prayer, this team section helps ensure that we are organized and focused as a church during our time talking with the Lord. Finally, this group also works closely with our wonderful secretary, Della, to ensure the prayer sheet is up to date.*

# SPIRITUAL CARE MINISTRY UPDATE

*The last area that the spiritual care team covers is relief. As we go through life, we recognize that things are not always easy, and this portion of the team is committed to sojourning with those who are going through challenging seasons of life. Under the sentiment of spiritual relief, this team partakes and leads the way in things like sending cards, visiting and connecting with homebound church members, providing bereavement care, and visiting folks in the hospital.*

*As one might imagine, while these three categories seem totally different, there is much overlap both within the three focal points and with the five other ministry teams!*

*Do you have a heart for helping people who are going through hardship? Are you someone who loves to pray or maybe enjoys praying in a group setting? Perhaps you are passionate about deepening your relationship with God or helping others in their spiritual journey? If you answered “yes” to any of these prompts, you would be a great fit to join this ministry team.*

*While we do not have a recurring meeting time or date, if you are interested in joining the spiritual care team, please message Alice Wilkerson at [alicerwilkerson@hotmail.com](mailto:alicerwilkerson@hotmail.com) or Pastor Kenny at [kenny@colonialbeachbaptistchurch.org](mailto:kenny@colonialbeachbaptistchurch.org).*

*We are praying for each and every one of you!*

# BEREAVEMENT UPDATE

**Sympathy is extended to the family of Carol Shannon on the passing of her daughter Carol Sue "Susie" Shannon, on December 9th.**

**Sympathy is also extended to Debbie Balderson and family on the passing of her son, JB, on December 27th.**

**CBBC expresses condolences to the family and friends of our former bookkeeper, Patti Catlett, who went to be with the Lord on January 5th.**

**Many feel a sense of loss during this season of the year. The following is a thought by an unknown author:**

*"Those we love don't go away,  
they walk beside us every day,  
unseen, unheard, but always near,  
still loved, still missed, and very dear."*



# January 2023 Readings

1st - Genesis 1-3  
2nd - Genesis 4-6  
3rd - Genesis 7-9  
4th - Genesis 10-12  
5th - Genesis 13-15  
6th - Genesis 16-18  
7th - Genesis 19-21  
8th - Genesis 22-24  
9th - Genesis 25-27  
10th - Genesis 28-30  
11th - Genesis 31-33  
12th - Genesis 34-36  
13th - Genesis 37-39  
14th - Genesis 40-42  
15th - Genesis 43-45  
16th - Genesis 46-48

17th - Genesis 49-Exodus 1  
18th - Exodus 2-4  
19th - Exodus 5-7  
20th - Exodus 8-10  
21st - Exodus 11-13  
22nd - Exodus 14-16  
23rd - Exodus 17-19  
24th - Exodus 20-22  
25th - Exodus 23-25  
26th - Exodus 26-28  
27th - Exodus 29-31  
28th - Exodus 32-34  
29th - Exodus 35-37  
30th - Exodus 38-40  
31st - Leviticus 1-3




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# February 2023 Readings

- 1st - Leviticus 4-6
  - 2nd - Leviticus 7-9
  - 3rd - Leviticus 10-12
  - 4th - Leviticus 13-15
  - 5th - Leviticus 16-18
  - 6th - Leviticus 19-21
  - 7th - Leviticus 22-24
  - 8th - Leviticus 25-27
  - 9th - Numbers 1-12
  - 10th - Numbers 13-24
  - 11th - Numbers 25-36
  - 12th - Deuteronomy 1-3
  - 13th - Deuteronomy 4-6
  - 14th - Deuteronomy 7-9
  - 15th - Deuteronomy 10-12
  - 16th - Deuteronomy 13-15
  - 17th - Deuteronomy 16-18
  - 18th - Deuteronomy 19-21
  - 19th - Deuteronomy 22-24
  - 20th - Deuteronomy 25-27
  - 21st - Deuteronomy 28-30
  - 22nd - Deuteronomy 31-33
  - 23rd - Deut. 34-Joshua 2
  - 24th - Joshua 3-5
  - 25th - Joshua 6-8
  - 26th - Joshua 9-11
  - 27th - Joshua 12-13
  - 28th - Joshua 14-15
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# March 2023 Readings



1st - Joshua 16-17  
2nd - Joshua 18-19  
3rd - Joshua 20  
4th - Joshua 21  
5th - Joshua 22-23  
6th - Josh. 24-Judges 1  
7th - Judges 2-3  
8th - Judges 4-5  
9th - Judges 6-7  
10th - Judges 8-9  
11th - Judges 10-11  
12th - Judges 12-13  
13th - Judges 14-15  
14th - Judges 16-17  
15th - Judges 18-19  
16th - Judges 20-21

17th - Ruth 1-2  
18th - Ruth 3-4  
19th - 1 Sam. 1-2  
20th - 1 Sam. 3-4  
21st - 1 Sam. 5-6  
22nd - 1 Sam. 7-8  
23rd - 1 Sam. 9-10  
24th - 1 Sam. 11-12  
25th - 1 Sam. 13-14  
26th - 1 Sam. 15-16  
27th - 1 Sam. 17-18  
28th - 1 Sam. 19-20  
29th - 1 Sam. 21-22  
30th - 1 Sam. 23-24  
31st - 1 Sam. 25-26

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# Jan.

David Allison — 2  
Heidi Dutcher — 2  
James "JB" Balderson — 4  
Kitty Norris — 7  
Leah Mortimer — 11  
Patricia Gray — 15  
Marcy Feltner — 17  
Amanda Cardiel — 20  
Lorraine Blancke — 28

# Feb.

Dinah Jenkins — 6  
Stephanie Young — 8  
Kyle Schick — 11  
Jean Staples — 17  
Vickie Sessoms — 22  
Vicki Gilliland — 24

# Mar.

Debbie Balderson — 1  
Derek Lawson — 3  
George Scutt — 6  
Missey Lee — 7  
Larry Olsen — 8  
Mahala Becker — 15  
Kadin Feltner — 17  
Johnna Young — 17  
Joyce Anderson — 19  
Mitchell Staples — 26  
Alice Wilkerson — 30  
Jeff Jenkins — 31



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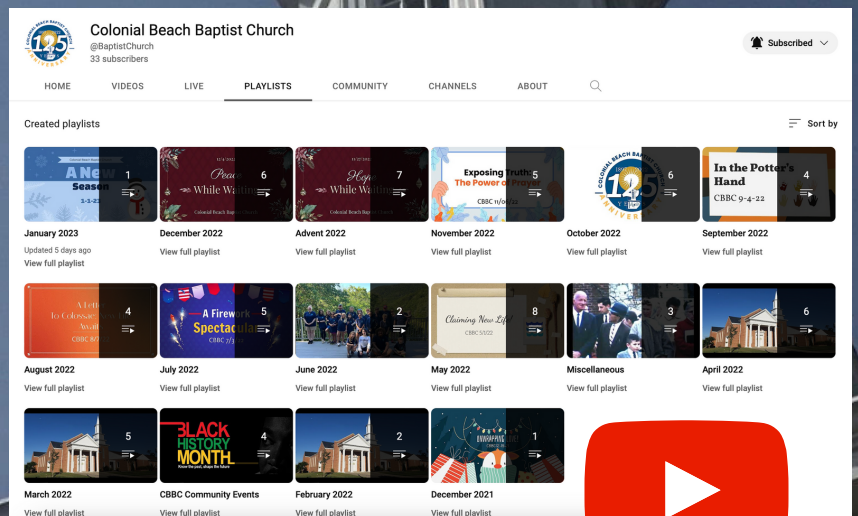
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