

December 1, 2012

Dear Village Family,

As we move towards the time of year that we will celebrate the incarnate coming into this world of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, we want to give you an opportunity to consider the blessings God has bestowed upon us by our church, Village Baptist Church, and of our wonderful staff.

It has been our tradition each year to recognize our staff by taking up a special love offering which is presented to them at our Christmas Eve service. You may use the enclosed envelope and either place it in the offering plate on Sunday, mail it to the Church Office, or you may just place a check in the offering plate on Sunday(s). *Please be sure that your gift is specifically designated as being for the **Annual Staff Gift***, so we can ensure it is used only for that purpose. Since it is our intent to present these gifts to the staff at our Christmas Eve service, we request that you return your contribution by Sunday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Part of the funds collected through this annual love offering are used for an annual staff dinner for the staff and their spouses, and the remainder is used to give a Christmas bonus to Pastor Glenn, Pastor Wes, Linda Dean (Director of Little Village Childcare), Karen Bruce (Administrative Assistant), and Cathy Gilpin (Secretary).

Thank you so much for your consideration of a Christmas gift to our staff. Sometimes our work for the Lord is lost in day to day details and we miss opportunities to encourage those people who work so hard to serve others, as our staff does, and to receive acknowledgement that they are appreciated and loved. As has always been the case, we appreciate your generosity. We trust you will feel the Lord's presence during this season and feel honored to be His people! Merry Christmas!

Sincerely,

Mark A. Walker, On Behalf of the Board of Deacons  
Village Baptist Church

