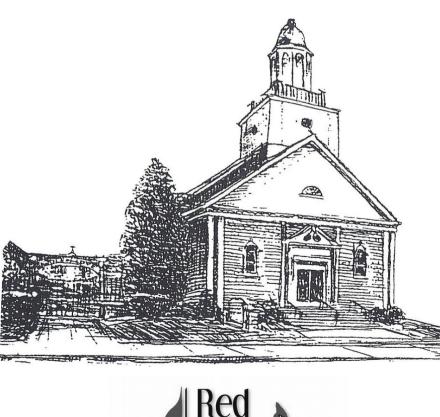
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The February mission is the **Red Bird Mission**. Red Bird Mission, Inc. and Red Bird Clinic, Inc. have been providing ministries in the region of the Appalachian Mountains since 1921. Today the need remains critical in this isolated, rural distressed area. Chronic poverty, lack of jobs, poor housing, and rugged mountainous terrain provide obstacles to a fuller life for the residents of this area. Red Bird Mission and Clinic strives to meet these needs through ministry in five areas: **Education**, **Health and Wellness**, **Community Outreach**, **Economic Opportunity, and Community Housing Improvement**.

## The Work of Love

Hallmark movies follow the formula of bringing two people together, usually in a small town, and with a competing romantic interest. The couples kiss at the end and live happily ever after. Sorry, I should have issued a spoiler alert if you haven't watched any Hallmark movies and it's on your bucket list.

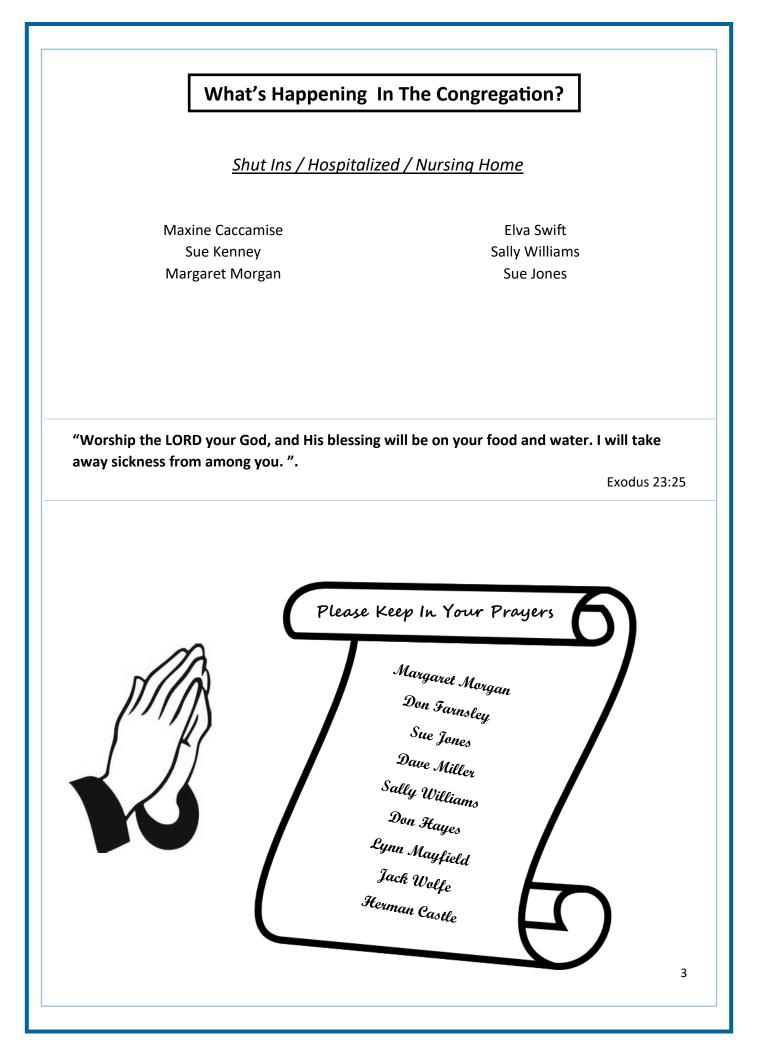
These movies show the glitter of love without the mess. They show the romance but not the work. For in the end, love is work and you have to work at love. What does all this mean and how does God factor into love?

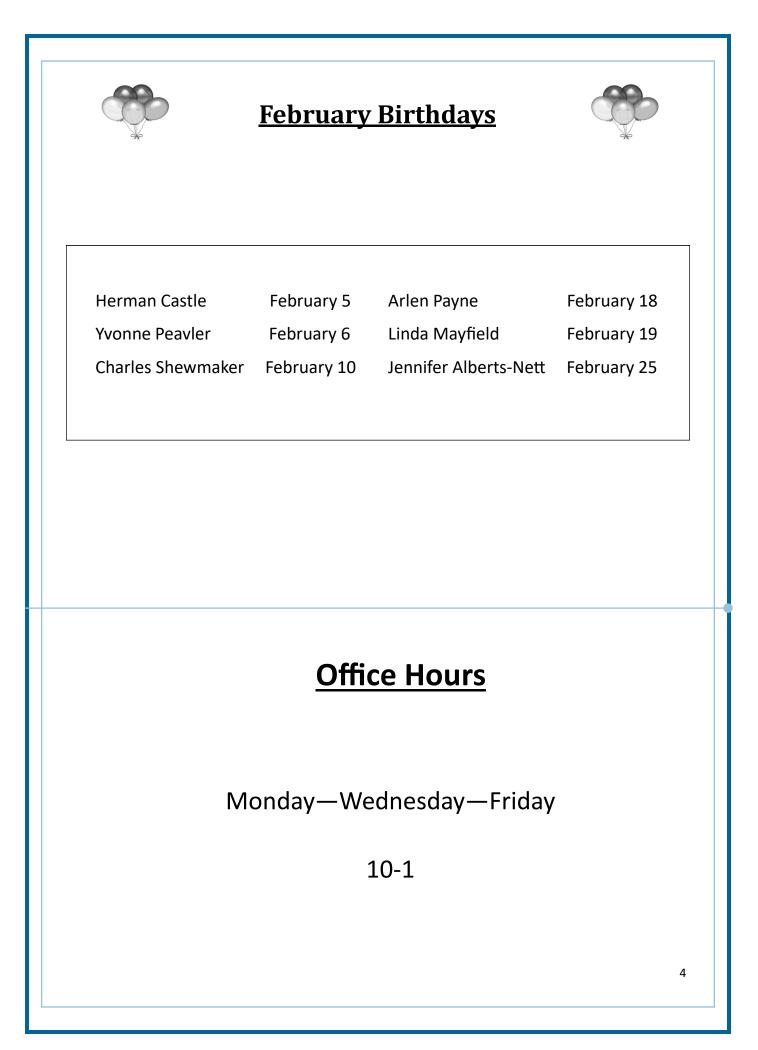
God sent his son to live in the world. He chose twelve disciples to carry on his ministry after he parted from the earth and rose from the grave. These disciples often misunderstood Jesus. They didn't understand he would have to die for the sins of the world. Some became proud and all his disciples doubted his power and identity at one time or another. Yet, Jesus kept loving them. He didn't kick them to the curb and start over.

You see, love is work, and don't let anyone tell you otherwise. The apostle Paul said, "Love is patient, love is kind, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, and keeps no record of wrongs. Love never fails (I Corinthians 13:4-5, 8a)."

There is nothing wrong with Hallmark movies. The language is clean, the small-town settings are peaceful, and the characters are decent. Just don't let them fool you into thinking love isn't work. It is. There was no better example of one who perfected that work than Jesus. The Bible shows us time and time again love is work. Help us Jesus to perfect the work of love!

> God Bless, Pastor Kent





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	Tue	2 9:00 am SS Quilters	9 9:00 am SS Quilters	16 9:00 am SS Quilters	23 9:00 am SS Quilters		
	Mon	1 5:00 pm Yoga	8 5:00 pm Yoga	15 5:00 pm Yoga	22 5:00 pm Yoga		
	Sun		7 9:00 am Bible Study 10:00 am Worship	14 9:00 am Bible Study 10:00 am Worship	21 9:00 am Bible Study 10:00 am Worship	28 9:00 am Bible Study 10:00 am Worship	

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