

A Very Small Lady with a Very Large Heart for Missions

She was born Dec. 12, 1840, as Charlotte Diggs Moon, to an aristocratic plantation family in the same county as Charlottesville, Va. Everyone called her Lottie. She never grew taller than 4 feet, 3 inches, but her intellect and force of personality were enormous. She spoke six languages, and was the most educated woman of the South. Her older sister was the first female physician in the state. Though raised as a Christian, by 17 she was a staunch skeptic. When she was 18 she accepted the invitation of a friend to attend an evangelistic meeting for students held by Dr. John Broadus at Charlottesville Baptist Church. She intended to scoff. Instead, the Holy Spirit swept away all her doubt. After teaching for several years she became the first unmarried missionary to

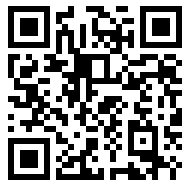
be sent to China by the Southern Baptist Mission Board. There she began a school for girls, but over time felt that her peculiar calling was personal evangelism to the very poor. By 1888 she persuaded the women of SBC churches to give an annual missions offering on Christmas Eve. By 1995 Lottie Moon offerings had totaled 1.5 billion dollars. She shared with the hungry even to the injury of her own health. There was a severe famine in China in 1912. At 72, she was convinced by many to return to the US because of her declining health. She died of complications of starvation on her first night aboard ship. She once said, "If I had a thousand lives, I would give them all for the women of China."

- Charles Fortner

Events

TODAY Christmas Music
Service 5:30 PM
TODAY College & Career
Meet at Byrd's after
Christmas program
2421 Chartwell Ln,
Graham
1/7 Men's Prayer 7:30 AM

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Upcoming Events



GRACE
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Service Times

- Sunday School 9:30 am
- Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 am
- Sunday Evening Worship 5:30 pm
- Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7:15 pm



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**Loving God, one another, and the world
through the gospel of Jesus Christ**

December 18, 2016

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español
durante los
servicios de la
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Andy Dunkerton

Stephen Byrd
Robert Fisher
Bob Prentice

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Morning Worship

Call to Worship	Pastor Stephen Byrd
Opening Hymn	#164 Angels From the Realms of Glory
Scripture Reading	Matthew 10:1-25, page 814
Pastoral Prayer	
Offertory	#153 Behold a Branch is Growing
Preparatory	#168 Hark the Herald Angels Sing
Sermon	Pastor Alpheus Atkins

Evening Worship

Christmas Music Program