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# The Messenger

First Baptist Church

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Invite Everyone, Invest In People,  
Impact Eternity

## Sunday Worship

Classic Service 9:00 a.m.  
Celebration Service 10:30 a.m.

## Hispanic Worship

10:30 a.m.

## Connect Groups

9:00 & 10:30 a.m.

## Wednesday Prayer/Bible Study

6:00 p.m.

## TV Schedule Cable Channel 10

### Worship Service:

Thu: 9:00 pm, Fri: Noon  
Sun: 8:00 am, Mon: Noon

### Sunrise Sunday School

Sun: 7:30 am & 10:00 am

### Spanish Sunday School

Sun: 5:30 pm & 10:30 pm

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## DECEMBER 1 Evening of Grace

6-8pm, FBC Family Life Center

## DECEMBER 4 Come As You Are

9 & 10:30am, FBC Worship Center

## DECEMBER 11-12 The Christmas Quilt

12/11 at 9 & 10:30am, 12/12 at 7:00pm  
FBC Worship Center

## DECEMBER 18 Family Pictures

Before & After Services  
Family Life Center

## Christmas Service Times

Christmas Eve 5:30PM  
Christmas Day 10:30AM

## Pastor's Message

### Connect for Christmas

is our December More Than a Face outreach effort. The idea is to invite your friends who don't know Jesus or who don't attend church to join you for Connect Group and for one of our special Christmas presentations. Getting them to visit a Connect Group should increase our opportunity to get them connected with people. It will also give them a chance to see how Christians live in a small group—how prayer and Scripture and ministry is vital to growing in our faith. Who are you going to invite?

The first opportunity is this Sunday, December 4. **Our children will be presenting Come As You Are.** This is a great gospel message presented through the eyes of children and their leaders. Perhaps you could invite neighbors who have children to come see the program and visit your connect group. I will also be preaching a brief gospel message around the "come as you are" theme.

**For this Sunday and for the next we will conclude the service by turning in response cards.** We want everyone—even our most faithful members—to complete a card that you can put in the offering plate at the end of the service. When you do the card, you are modeling for our guests the importance of taking a moment and providing information. These cards will enable us to follow up with those who are making spiritual decisions.

**We will discuss the 2017 Proposed Budget on Wednesday night, December 7, at 4:00 and 6:00 in the Fellowship Hall.** You should receive the budget in the mail this week. We will vote on the budget without discussion in our Sunday morning services on December 18.

Advent is here! God is going to move among us. It's going to be good. See you Sunday.

Your Pastor,

## ATTENDANCE

Attendance	.....	November 27, 2016
Homebound TV Class	.....	*80
9:00 Connect Group	.....	421
10:30 Connect Group	.....	384
<b>Total Connect Groups</b>	.....	<b>805</b>
Worship Attendance 9:00	.....	487
Worship Attendance 10:30	.....	582
Hispanic Worship Attend 10:45	.....	*39
<b>Total Worship</b>	.....	<b>1108</b>
Children's Worship	.....	*52

## Welcome Center Guides December

8:30 a.m.

PS Ctr: Kim Miller, Susan Blount, Brad Wreyford, Josh & Katy Wesson

FH Ctr: David & Gigi Bird

Foyer Welc Ctr: Robert & Cindy Davis

10:00 a.m.

PS Ctr: Jake & Sarah Bird, Travis & Lauren Warren

FH Ctr: Betty James, Bettye Oliver

2nd Floor Welc Ctr: Vaughn & Stephanie Treadway

## Deacon Hospital Visitation

Week of 5-9

Monday.....Bob Goodman  
Tuesday.....James Bennett  
Wednesday.....Al Blount  
Thursday.....Alex Strawn  
Friday.....Lance Porter

<b>Happy Birthday!</b>	
Thur Dec 1	
<b>Daniel 5-6:</b>	
2 Peter 2	
Bettye Gray	
Bob Hill	
Rachel Mills	
Brian Bell	
Blair Jordan	
Grant Mason	
Hailey Hawkins	
Jacob Happy	
Fri Dec 2	
<b>Daniel 7-8:</b>	
1 John 1	
Helen Lynch	
Bobbie Morrison	
Charles Roberts	
Phillip Johnson	
Jason Lynch	
Sierra Collier	
Esmeralda Martinez	
Chance Spriggs	
Sat Dec 3	
<b>Daniel 9:</b>	
1 John 2	
Billy Parchman	
Rosemary Liles	
Michael Allred	
Jake Keeling	
Wed Dec 7	
<b>Hosea 7-8:</b>	
2 John	
Jim Wilkins	
Dennis Mauk	
Paula Massanelli	
Kayla C Smith	
Kat Allen	

## Door Greeters - Dec 4

**9:00 a.m.** Marie Colmenero, James O'Neal, Lee & Kathryn Carson, Susan Sanders, Jerry Franks, Amy Jessen  
**10:30 a.m.** Charles & Carol Hill, Julie Jarrell, Steve & Donna Harbour, Amy Jessen, Mary Meixner

## Van Outreach Drivers

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday ..... North: Carlos Lemos, 538-1624  
..... South: Glen Catlett, 844-7565  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday.....North: Roman Terlecki, 622-7735  
..... South: Mitchell McDill, 318-8333  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday. North: Jerry Sunderland, 762-3749  
..... South: Duke Haight, 815-4416  
4<sup>th</sup> Sunday ..... North: Bob Roling, 545-5818  
..... South: Tony Payne, 617-6459  
5<sup>th</sup> Sunday ..... North: Bob Roling, 545-5818  
..... South: Mitchell McDill, 318-8333

## Parking Greeters

Sat Dec 10  
Hosea 13-14;  
Revelation 1  
Sonny Liles  
Sun Dec 11  
Joel 1-3;  
Revelation 2  
Jeff Taylor  
Jonathan Logan  
James Williams  
Jesus Anaya  
Taylor Wernecke  
Lenzie Patricola

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# BUDGET REPORT

**Ministry Fund (11-27-16)**  
 Weekly Receipts \$47,179  
 Online Giving \$ 2,467  
 Total Given \$49,646

## All In Fund

Weekly Receipts: (11-27-16) \$11,539  
 Balance of loan: (11-1-16) \$2,824,741

If you prefer to give your tithes and offerings on-line, go to our website, [firsthotsprings.com](http://firsthotsprings.com), and follow the giving prompts. Please make sure the office has your current email address.

## Fitness & Recreation Ministry

(All sign ups and resources are available at the Fitness/Recreation Ministry HQ.)



### UPWARD BASKETBALL VOLUNTEERS

We need to fill a few more coaching vacancies before we can complete the player drafts. We also need another 10 volunteers to serve as referees. Practices and games begin in January. Please see Blake or Ashley Buttrum, Julie Smith, or Wallace to-



day for more information or to get on board.

**We are in the process of proofing the draft. We expect to have team information ready on Monday, December 5.**



### We have a few more vacancies in each division!

We are sitting at 116 players on 18 different teams! Sign up today to claim one of the few remaining vacancies!

- **Kindergarten Coed:** 6 teams (**9 vacancies**)
- **1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup> grade girls:** 6 teams (**8 vacancies**)
- **1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup> grade boys:** 6 teams (**5 vacancies**)

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS

**It's time to get on board for this coming Upward season!** We need you to serve in some capacity. Look below for the opportunities to serve, then let Wallace know asap! Thank you for helping invest in the

children and families of our community as we seek to impact eternity!

### REQUIRED VOLUNTEERS

Prayer Team: 100  
 Kindergarten Coed: **2 more** head coaches/assistants  
 1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Girls: **2 more** head coaches/assistants  
 1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Boys: **1 more** head coach/assistant  
 Referees: 12  
 Scoreboard & Concessions: to be determined  
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Until we all fall down, Wallace



## Prayer Breakfast

Saturday, December 3, 2016  
 8:00 AM in Fellowship Hall

God continues to bless our efforts in Africa. Our final prayer breakfast of 2016 will feature the medical team that recently returned. You will not want to miss hearing about this trip and our plans for the future with some potential new opportunities.



## ANGEL TREE CHRISTMAS DINNER

IT ALL STARTS WITH A GIFT  
 AND LIVES ARE CHANGED THROUGH  
 JESUS CHRIST

Please join the Angel Tree children and their families for dinner, Wednesday night, December 14, at 5:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center. Following dinner there will be a short Christmas program in the Worship Center where you will be able to meet the children and their families. Let's welcome them to our church and give them **THE GREATEST GIFT OF ALL!**



Warmest Christian sympathy is extended to Les & Pam Warren and family in the death of his mother, Jeanne Warren; Rick & Lowella Cherry and family in

the death of her sister, Sara Beth; David & Gigi Bird and family in the death of his father; and the family of Inez Cortez Reynolds. God bless and comfort you;



A thank you note has been received from the Krause Family. You may view Thank you notes on the bulletin board across from the 2nd floor elevator.

**Join us for Sunday morning fellowship in the gym between Worship Services/Connect Groups.** Here's the rotation schedule:



**Dec 4: C, D, E**  
 Dec 11: F, G, H  
 Dec 18: I, J, K, L  
 Dec 25: M, N

Jan 1: O, P, Q, R  
 Jan 8: S, T, U  
 Jan 15: V, W, X, Y, Z  
 Jan 22: A, B

## Education & Outreach Ministry

### SURVIVING THE HOLIDAYS

A MINISTRY OF GRIEFSHARE  
 VIDEO / DISCUSSION / SUPPORT GROUP  
 WEDNESDAY, DEC. 7 AT 6PM IN ROOM 126  
 FACILITATORS: NEAL AND RHONDA HARRINGTON. JOIN US OR INVITE SOMEONE WHO NEEDS TO COME!



We bring our year-long Evangelistic Initiative to a crescendo in December as we invite people to Connect for Christmas!

### Connect for Christmas

**A Christmas Strategy to Propel Prospects toward Connect Groups!**  
Don't just count on your email news, personally Invite "More than a Face" Friends and other prospects! Invite prospects, members and in-service members to your Christmas Parties! Invitation Cards are available in the foyer.

**Dec. 4 – Invite to Children's Christmas Music & Connect Group**  
**Dec. 11 & 12 – Invite to Adult Christmas Music & Connect Group**  
**Dec. 18 – Invite to A Family Christmas & Final Connect Group of 2016**  
**Dec. 24 – Invite to Christmas Eve Service & Jan. 8 Connect Group**  
**Dec. 25 and Jan. 1 – No Connect Groups, 10:30 Service only.**

*Engage New Year's resolution-makers with a Connect Group Jan 8.*

### Parking Lot Progress

New light poles and LED lights have been installed in our new lots. The existing lots were relit with LED lights to match; to save money in the long run. We are hoping and praying for the curbing contractor to start real soon. When that is done we can pave and stripe. Then we will finish the landscaping and fitness trail around the property.

### Thank YOU!!!

### Fellowship Supper Kitchen Helpers

We appreciate your service every week! You help make this a ministry to help people participate in Wednesday activities. You create an atmosphere for Fellowship, Outreach and Ministry to others. Thank you for your super service to the Lord, our church and our community! Thanks to Jack Irwin our Super Supper Cook! Well Done everyone! Their Christmas Party will be Sunday Dec. 4 at Noon in the FLC.

*Love, Danny*

### Special Called Business Meeting

**Wednesday, Dec. 7 at 4:00 & 6:00pm in Fellowship Hall**

The Purpose is to discuss the 2017 Proposed Budget and elect Committees and Ministry Teams. The Budget will then be voted on without discussion on Sunday, Dec. 18 in the 9:00 & 10:30am Worship Services.

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**LOTTIE MOON**  
 Christmas card  
 mailbox

Located in the church foyer behind  
 the Welcome Center

Lottie Moon donations  
 can be dropped in the mail slot on the front of the box.



### First Baptist Quilters

Meet on the 1st & 2nd Thursday of each month, 9 AM til Noon in Room #3023 (3rd floor). We are quilting Quilts of Honor, to be presented to wounded soldiers. Anyone is invited to join! If interested, contact Marilyn Morgan at 520-4105, Henrietta Norman at 627-4618 or Cheryl Nichols at 622-9002.

### Women's Ministry Prayer Group

We meet once a month in the Prayer Room (220). All women are welcome to join us as we meet this month. 9:45-11:00 a.m., **WILL NOT MEET IN DECEMBER**

### Seminary Extension Class

For ministers who want to earn an accredited Bachelor Degree in Bible, Theology or Pastoral Ministries and for laypersons who would like to sharpen their Biblical skills. Mondays 6 p.m. @ FBC, starting January 9th lasting 10 weeks. Cost : \$50.00 includes your books bring your \$50 payment to the first class.

Instructor: Dr. Harold Elder Course: Introduction to Christian Ethics Deadline to register: December 16, 2016

Registration: call the CBA office, 501-778-5463 or 1-800-798-5463; email your name, address, phone number, and course title to [brenda@cabenton.com](mailto:brenda@cabenton.com) or go online at [www.cabenton.com](http://www.cabenton.com) and look for the reservations tab.

### Wednesday Night Supper Menu November

(soup, salad, and fries always served)  
 30th: Pork Loin, Dressing, Yams, Green Peas, Hamburger, Cake