



“And this will be the sign to you: You will find a Babe wrapped in swaddling cloths, lying in a manger.”

-Luke 2:12



*Join us for Christmas Caroling*

Wednesday, December 18th, 2024

5:00 p.m. - Supper

6:00 p.m. - Caroling



**YOU'RE INVITED TO  
JOIN US FOR A  
SPECIAL  
CHRISTMAS WORSHIP!**

**DECEMBER 22ND, 2024**

**SERVICES: 8:15 A.M. & 10:45 A.M.**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL: 9:30 A.M.**

**NO EVENING SERVICE**

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH FRANKLINTON  
INVITES YOU TO  
**JOIN US**  
*For A*  
**ONE SERVICE SUNDAY**  
*Celebration*

DECEMBER 29TH, 2024

9:00 A.M. - BREAKFAST IN THE FAMILY LIFE CENTER

9:30 A.M. - SUNDAY SCHOOL

10:45 A.M. - WORSHIP SERVICE



*Christmas  
Eve  
Vesper Service*

Tuesday, December 24th, 2024  
at 5:00 p.m.

You're invited to our  
candlelight service!

Children will be invited to the front for a  
special Children's Moment near the beginning of  
the service.



*"But the angel said to them, 'Don't be afraid, for look, I proclaim to you good news of great joy that will be for all the people'." Luke 2:10*

REV. JOEY MILLER, ASSOCIATE PASTOR OF PASTORAL CARE



*The Miracle of Christmas*

Dr. Joe McKeever told a heartwarming story that illustrates the miracle of Christmas. Aboard a plane to Salt Lake City, Bryan got acquainted with his seatmates, a mother and her ten-year-old daughter. The lady found it intriguing that Bryan was a minister and peppered him with questions. Eventually, Bryan shared his story with her – of how Jesus Christ had changed everything about his life – and ended up praying with them as both invited Jesus to become their Savior. That's when the lady told Bryan why they were headed for Utah.

She had been separated from her husband for two years due to his drinking problem, but he had conquered the bottle and they were going to try marriage again. "He needs the Lord, too," she said. "When we get to Salt Lake City, would you mind talking to him about this?" Bryan was more than willing. In the airport, they met the husband and found out that, minutes earlier, as he was waiting in the airport, a furloughing missionary had sat down beside him and led him to faith in Jesus Christ. God had arranged the schedules of two ministers on opposite sides of the world to get this family in the kingdom and back together.

A long time ago, God rearranged time, space, and eternity to send His son to be born as our Savior. His coming brought the message and miracle of peace on earth and goodwill to men. No matter what we are facing, we can embrace the miracle of our Immanuel, God with us.

**SAM Adult 55+ Christmas Events**

- Our December fellowship luncheon is scheduled for **Friday, December 6th**, at **10:30 a.m.** in the FBC Family Life Center. *The menu will be sliders, baked beans and potato salad provided by our SAM Team.* We will celebrate the wonderful Christmas season with Christmas music. Sign up, invite a friend, and join the celebration.
- Our FBC adult choir and the Hillcrest choir will present a combined Christmas musical, "Mary Did You Know," at **Hillcrest Church on Sunday, December 1st**, and at **First Baptist on Sunday, December 8th.** Both musicals begin at **6:00 p.m.**
- Our children will present the FBC Children's Musical "What a Beautiful Name" on **Sunday, December 15 at 6:00 pm.** Don't miss this exciting event of worship led by our children's choirs.
- Our annual Christmas caroling event takes place on **Wednesday, December 18th**, beginning with supper at **5:00 p.m.** and caroling to follow at **6:00 p.m.** Bring the family as we bless our homebound and bring them joy by taking Christmas to them.

*May your Christmas be filled with the miracle of the presence of our Immanuel,*

*- Joey Miller*

**NURSING HOME WORSHIP SERVICES**

THE WORSHIP EXPERIENCES AT OUR NURSING HOMES ALWAYS BRING HOPE AND CHEER TO THE RESIDENTS OF GOOD SAMARITAN AND HERITAGE MANOR. JOIN US FOR OUR DECEMBER SERVICES AND HELP US SHARE THE LOVE OF JESUS WITH THEM.

**GOOD SAMARITAN - MONDAY, DECEMBER 2ND @ 3:00 P.M.**  
**FAIR CITY - MONDAY, DECEMBER 16TH @ 3:00 P.M.**



*"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, goodwill toward men."  
- Luke 2:14*



**CHRISTMAS MUSICAL AT FBC COVINGTON**

We will be going to First Baptist Church Covington to experience the matinee musical "Christmas Together" on Saturday, **December 14th.** Experience the majesty of Jesus' birth through spectacular light and sound as the children, youth, adult choirs and orchestra of FBC Covington lead in musical worship. The musical begins at **2:00 p.m.**, but we plan to eat lunch in Covington before we go. Sign up for this special event so that we can plan transportation.

BRO. DRAKE WESTMORELAND- NEXT GEN PASTOR



## DISCIPLING A GENERATION THAT KNOWS CHRIST AND MAKES HIM KNOWN.

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TO RECEIVE TEXT MESSAGE UPDATES!

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*For to us a child is  
born, to us a son is  
given, and the  
government will be  
on his shoulders.  
And he will be called  
Wonderful Counselor,  
Mighty God,  
Everlasting Father,  
Prince of Peace.  
-Isaiah 9:6*



**Join us for Fellowship &  
Diving into God's word!  
Mid-Week FBC Student Ministry at  
6:00 p.m. every Wednesday!**

**&**

**Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. every Sunday!**

DECEMBER  
2024

# FBC Student Ministry



08:00

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Text "FBC" to  
985-315-4495

A central graphic featuring a smartphone with the time 08:00 on its screen, a QR code to the right, and the text "FBC Student Ministry" and "Text 'FBC' to 985-315-4495". The background is dark with colorful circular patterns. The entire graphic is framed by a blue border and decorated with starburst and candy cane graphics.

**CHRISTMAS PARTY**

**DECEMBER 14TH  
SATURDAY | 6:00 PM**

**FBC STUDENT MINISTRY**

A poster for a Christmas Party. It features a cartoon Christmas tree character with arms and legs, standing on a red tree stump. The text "CHRISTMAS PARTY" is written in a large, stylized font. Below, it says "DECEMBER 14TH SATURDAY | 6:00 PM" and "FBC STUDENT MINISTRY". The background is red with a gold starburst.

**FANS OF FAITH**

HOSTED BY FRANKLINTON HIGH P7/FCA

**FBC FRANKLINTON | DEC. 12 @5:30 PM**

950 Self St, Franklinton, LA

A poster for "Fans of Faith". It features a hand holding a megaphone, with a football field diagram and a hand holding a pencil. The text "FANS OF FAITH" is written in large, bold letters. Below, it says "HOSTED BY FRANKLINTON HIGH P7/FCA", "FBC FRANKLINTON | DEC. 12 @5:30 PM", and "950 Self St, Franklinton, LA". The background is dark with white and yellow starbursts.



## Raising a generation that knows Christ AND MAKES HIM KNOWN.

And just like that, we're saying goodbye to 2024! What a year of blessing it has been – from babies to baptisms! I can't wait to see what God has in store for us in 2025!

### Things to take note of as we close out 2024: **CentriKid 2025, July 1st-3rd at Timber Creek Camp in Pulaski, MS**

CentriKid is for current 3rd – 6th graders. We have about 20 more spots available! If your child is interested in going, please let Mrs. Kelly know so she can add them to the list. The \$100 deposit is not due until February 1st, 2025 but can be paid anytime.

*Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength. The second is, Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these. -Mark 12:30-31*

### December Happenings:

#### **1st: No evening services at FBC**

We will be meeting at Hillcrest Baptist Church for the combined adult choirs Christmas cantata.

#### **11th: 5:30 p.m. until 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary: Joyful Noise Christmas Musical Dress Rehearsal**

All children in grades 1st-6th will be rehearsing for our upcoming Christmas musical. Children in attendance who are not planning to be a part of the choir performance are invited to be a part of the *\*very quiet\** rehearsal audience. The rehearsal is closed to everyone else. We will dismiss as usual in the breezeway. Preschoolers (PK3-K) will have their regular Wednesday night schedule.

#### **15th, 6 pm: Tell the Good News Jesus is Born and What a Beautiful Name Christmas Musicals**

Half Notes (PK3-K) will meet downstairs in Rm. F at 5:30 pm, dressed in Christmas attire. Joyful Noise (1st-6th) will meet upstairs in Rm. 310, dressed in Christmas attire. The Half Notes choir will present their musical beginning at 6 pm, then sit with their parents. Please meet Mrs. Toni in the foyer following their presentation. The Joyful Noise choir will follow. A reception will follow in the Family Life Center.

*Parents, please encourage your child to use the restroom before arriving. Children are also asked not to bring anything else with them (coats, purses, etc.) and not have any food, drink, candy, or gum with them.*

#### **18th at 6 p.m.: Churchwide Christmas Caroling**

A tradition on the last Wednesday evening preceding Christmas, children will go caroling in groups with their families. Children will not be allowed to carol without a parent or guardian present. We will meet in the Family Life Center following our regular Wednesday Night Supper and travel from there.

#### **22nd: No Wee Worship, No Evening Service**

#### **24th at 5 p.m. in the Sanctuary: Candlelight Vesper Service**

Children will be invited to the front for a special Children's Moment near the beginning of the service.

#### **25th: No Wednesday Evening Activities**



*-Kelly McElveen*



**December**

**Wee Worship  
Volunteers**

**1st: Kelly McElveen**

**8th: No Wee  
Worship**

**15th: No Wee  
Worship**

**22nd: No Wee  
Worship**





**29th: No 8:15 Service,  
No Wee Worship, No  
Evening Services**

*But plan to join us at 9 a.m. in the Family Life Center for a fellowship breakfast before Sunday School!*





## FBC Kids December 2024

# BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS:



John James Alexander  
November 7th, 2024

"JJ" is the first child of Elijah and Mary Anne (Singleton) Alexander.

*Every good and perfect gift is from above. -James 1:17*



Lucy Scott McElveen  
November 18th, 2024

Lucy Scott is the daughter of Bryan and Alexandra McElveen. She was also greeted by her two older sisters, Mary Alice and Anne Marie.

*Every good and perfect gift is from above. -James 1:17*

Carson Nathaniel  
Norred

November 19th, 2024

Baby Carson was welcomed by his parents, Corwin and Racheal Norred, and welcomed home by a very excited big brother Titus Mattison-Trevino.

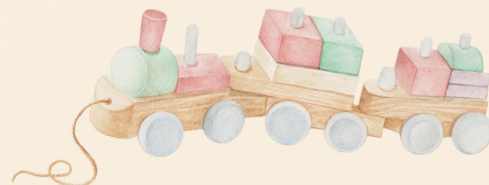
*Every good and perfect gift is from above. -James 1:17*



*Train up a child in the way he should go,*

*And when he is old, he will not depart from it.*

*-Proverbs 22:6*





# FBC & Hillcrest Presents: Mary Did you know? Christmas Musical

**12/1/2024 @ Hillcrest Baptist Church @ 6 P.M.**

**12/8/2024 @ FBC Franklinton @ 6 P.M.**



**WHAT A BEAUTIFUL NAME**  
A YOUTH CELEBRATION FOR CHRISTMAS

**PRESENTED BY:  
THE JOYFUL NOISE CHILDREN'S CHOIR**

ARRANGED BY CLIFF DUREN  
CREATED BY JOHNATHAN CRUMPTON,  
LUKE GAMBILL AND CLIFF DUREN

Children's  
Christmas  
Musicals:  
December  
15th  
at 6 p.m.

A Super Simple Series for Kids

**TELL THE GOOD NEWS  
JESUS IS BORN**

**PRESENTED BY:  
THE HALF NOTES PRESCHOOL CHOIR**

Created by Ed Kee and Rhonda Franke

DECEMBER  
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*FBC EVENTS*

**WEDNESDAY**  
*Night Supper*

December 4th: Hamburgers-Group A

December 11th: Fried Chicken-Group B

December 18th: Spaghetti & Meatballs-  
Group C

December 25th: No Supper



**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**

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**SERVICE TIMES**

**Sundays**  
**Worship Services**  
8:15 a.m., 10:45 a.m. &  
6:00 p.m.

**Bible Study**  
9:30 a.m.

**Choir Practice**  
4:30 p.m.

**Wednesdays**  
**Wednesday Night Supper**  
5:00 p.m.

**Preschool, Children,  
Youth Activities**  
6:00 p.m.

**Adult & Ladies Bible  
Studies**  
6:00 p.m.

**Prayer Meeting**  
6:00 p.m.

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