# VITAL SIGNS

Last week's offering \$107,270 Weekly budget \$59,997 Sunday worship 1894 Sunday school 1243

# PRAYERS & UPDATES

Ruth was born to Greg & Sarah Palys

# **Recent & Upcoming Surgeries**

- Kim Brownfield
- Kelby Hufford
- Sheri Hunt

#### **Recent Deaths**

- Tom Hesler's step-father, Clif Adkins
- · Allen Lamberson's father, Dale

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# FAITH KIDS @ HOME

The following lesson was taught today in our children's Sunday School classes. If you have children, please take time this week to review the lesson with them.

# SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON: DECEMBER 10

**Title:** God Reveals the Messiah

**Passage:** Matthew 1:18–25; Luke 1:26–38

**Principle:** Jesus is Savior and Lord and deserves all our worship

Praise: "Joy to the World"

**Prompt:** Ask your child these questions:

- Why was Joseph's family history important?
- What did the angel tell Mary about the baby that she would have?
- What is important about the names Immanuel, Savior, and Son of the Most High?

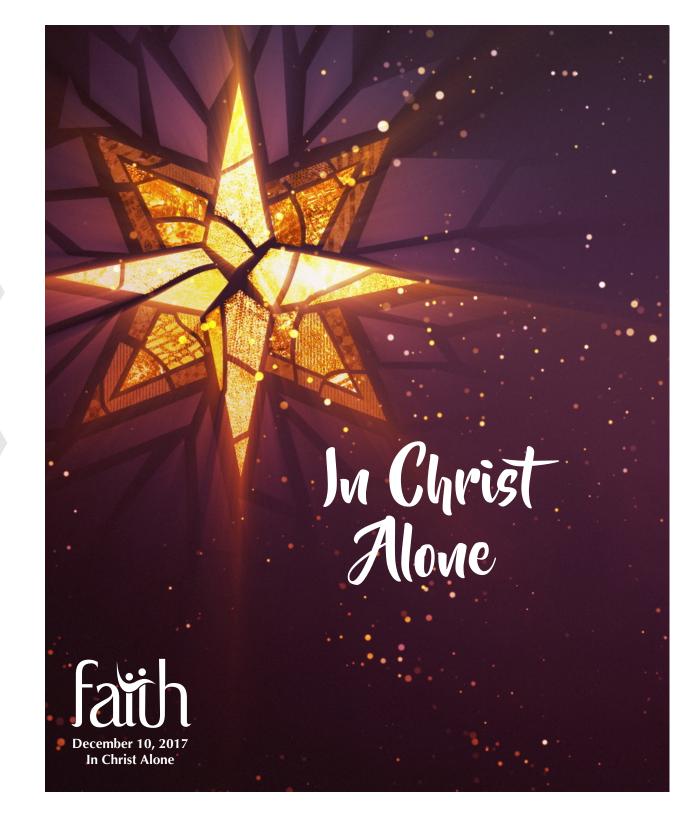
**Practice:** Help your child apply these truths in the following ways:

- By trusting that God always keeps His promises
- By telling others about the Savior this Christmas
- By obeying Jesus Christ as Lord and God

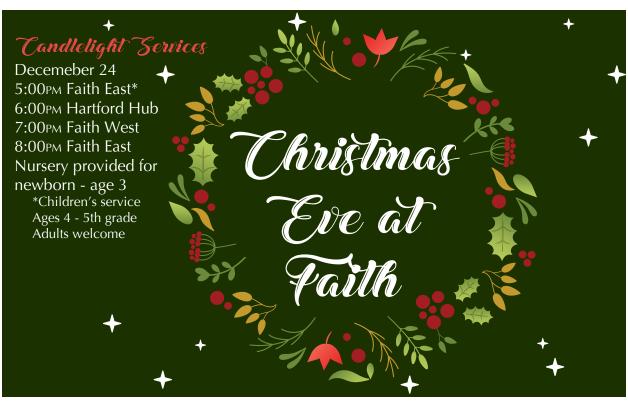
**Next Week:** Luke 1:5–25, 57–67, 76–80

**Memory Verse:** "And she will bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins" Matthew 1:21

\* Preschool verse in bold print









Adult Bible Fellowships . Faith East

8:00am	SONRISE	Rob Green	• 215/217
	FOUNDATIONS	Brent Smitley	• 203/205
9:30ам	AMBASSADORS	Dave Jones & Guy Campbell	Vision of Hope
	BEREANS	Jeff Baker	• 207/209
	CAREER	Lee Morrison	• Community Center, Room 2
	GENERATION	Joe Blake & Eric Seubring	• Community Center, Room 1
	PEACEMAKERS	Adam Murphy & Jerry Jamison	Music Suite
	PROCLAIMERS	Dan Wickert & Scott Grass	• 202/204
	YOUNG COUPLES	Rob Green	• 211/213
	YOUNG FAMILIES	Aaron Patton	• 203/205
11:00 <sub>AM</sub>	ENCOURAGERS	Dustin Folden	• 202/204
	ESTUDIO BIBLICO	Newton Peña	• 211/213
	FRIENDSHIP	Chester Bankes & Jeff Baker	Music Suite

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faithgroups

# Faith Church

A family of followers of lesus Christ who desire to honor God by applying His sufficient Word to all areas of life and ministry.



Equipping men to be pastors for the ministry.



Addressing community needs with compassion, truth, and hope.

Vision of Hope

A faith-based residental ministry that focuses on applying practical solutions from God's Word to help produce permanent change in women's lives that have been characterized by negative habits.



# Faith Christian School

Helping parents raise their children to live effectively in God's world.

# Faith Biblical Counseling

Providing training and counseling based on God's sufficient Word.

# Restoration

A faith-based residental ministry for men that is structured to bring Christ into every area of life by focusing on meaningful work, Biblical counseling, involvement in the local church, and the study of Scripture.



place to call home

#### **In Christ Alone Gifts That Come from Being in Christ** The Gift of Justification 1 Samuel 17

The various gifts that we are discussing during the Christmas season are all part of the systematic theology category theologians call "Soteriology"—the doctrine of salvation

In the Scriptures, God gives more attention to King David of Israel than any other figure except Jesus Christ. In some way God intended the person of King David to lay foundational patterns for our understanding of the person and work of Christ

5 aspects of God's redemptive plan illustrated in the story of David and Goliath that lay foundations for understanding "justification"

Justification: God's pronouncement of "righteous" upon the unrighteous who by faith are united to God's "servant/champion of righteousness," Jesus Christ, that permits the unrighteous to be with God forever

Question: In the account of David and Goliath, which character are we most like most of the time? David, Goliath, or the Israelites?

Question: If you are like the Israelites, how is your victory won in the valley of the shadow of death?

I. Your Victory in the Valley of the Shadow of Death Is Dependent upon an	
"Servant/Champion" of God's Choosing	

- A. Unexpected by the world's standards
  - 1 Samuel 17:33
- B. First a servant then a champion
  - 1 Samuel 17:32

The Israelites were victorious because their unexpected, servant representative was victorious.

# II. Your Victory in the Valley of the Shadow of Death Is Dependent upon the of Another

- A. The people's lack of faith
  - 1 Samuel 17:11
  - 1 Samuel 17:24
- B. David's heart of faith
  - 1 Samuel 17:32, 37, 46-47

The Israelites had to depend upon the righteousness of their unexpected servant/champion when the had none
III. Your Victory in the Valley of the Shadow of Death Is Dependent upon Your in God's "Servant/Champion"
1 Samuel 18:3-4
By faith, Jonathan abandoned his position and his own failing righteousness to trust in God's choice of servant/champion
IV. Your Victory in the Valley of the Shadow of Death through God's Champion/Servant Who Took You Reproach and It from You
A. David's concern—the reproach of Israel
1 Samuel 17:26
B. David bore undeserved reproach
1 Samuel 17:42-43
God's servant/champion bore un-deserved shame and disgrace when delivering Israel from her reproach
V. Your Victory in the Valley of the Shadow of Death through God's Champion/Servant Is the for Your Boldness in the Lesser Battles of Life.
1 Samuel 17:52
God's servant's/champion's victory empowered and emboldened all of Israel

# The Doctrine of Justification (Rom 3:21–26)

- Because of humanity's intrinsic unrighteousness, the only way to be in God's presence is through God's act of justification
- Justification is His judicial declaration of the unrighteous to be "righteousness" on the basis of faith in Jesus Christ's righteousness
- Justification is the imputation of the righteousness of Christ to the believer
- The opposite of justification is condemnation (Rom 8:1, 33-34)
- The declaration of "righteous" necessarily includes forgiveness (Rom 4:6-8)
- Justification is only just when the shame we deserved had a just satisfaction by God's standards—Jesus born our shame and God's wrath (propitiation)
- Justification is the basis for and inseparably connected to progressive sanctification, the believer's growth (Rom 6-8)
- Justification understood must result in the most satisfying joy and rejoicing (Rom 5:1-11)



# CAPITAL CAMPAIGN MUGS

As a thank you gift, there are Northend mugs available to those of our church family who gave to the capital campaign. Pick them up at the table in the foyer at both Faith East and Faith West today.

# THANK YOU

765.337.1699.

Thank you to all who participated in this year's presentation of the Living Nativity. The commitment and sacrificial service of all those who played a role in presenting the message of Jesus Christ to our community was a great encouragement to many.

CALEB'S KIN (SENIOR CITIZENS) Join our monthly gathering December 13, 4:00PM in the Senior Living Community

clubhouse for fellowship, a delicious Christmas meal, and a Christmas carol sing-along with Pastor Trey Garner. The meal is free to all who attend. Immediately following the fellowship, we will be taking a Christmas lights bus tour around greater Lafayette. There is no need

to sign up in advance. Please note that there will NOT be a white elephant gift exchange

this year as we will be doing the Christmas

lights tour instead. Questions? Contact Alisha Vegter 765.350.0919 or Roseanna Beecher

#### OFFFRING ENVELOPES

Offering envelopes will be out in the foyer for pick up today.

# STEWARDSHIP COMMITMENTS

Still need to fill out your stewardship commitment cards? There are extras available at the welcome center.

# YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS THIS!