



From the Pastor

We have some terrific Worship times coming up, starting with this Sunday evening. We have a wonderful group of talented instrumentalists that will be playing for us and with us during the Hanging of The Green. They will start playing about 20 minutes before the service, so you will want to arrive early. Invite someone to come with you – it is going to be an awesome evening!

Sunday, December 2 at 5pm
Hanging of The Green

December 9 at 5pm
"Stressing Christmas"
Music and Drama presentation
Featuring all of our choirs
(written by Alicia Powell)

December 16 at 5pm
Musical "On This Very Night"
Sanctuary Choir

December 24 at 5pm
Christmas Eve Service
Carols, Candlelight, and Communion

December 30 at 11am
Darrell and Dawn Ritchie

January 20 at 11am and 5pm
University of Mobile RamCorps

PraiSing Him,
Mark

THE RECORD SPEAKS November 25, 2018

Sunday school Enrollment	256
Attendance	112

October Giving and Expenses

Budget Giving	30,963
Budget Expenses	42,277
Restricted Giving	481
Restricted Expenses	473

Dear IBC Family,

I need prayer! I'm pretty sure I have adult-onset ADD! You know, that condition that keeps you from focusing on one thing at a time. I never had problems with that growing up. But now, in a 5 minute span, I will work on my sermon, figure why the Falcons can't win, contemplate Calvinism vs. Armenianism, wonder if Pluto is considered a planet this week, and check Facebook, all while microwaving my Thanksgiving leftovers and washing my car!

I'd be a productive wonder-pastor if I could actually complete any of that. But no, I have adult-onset ADD. So when it comes to lesson prep, sermon delivery, or newsletter writing, it's tough! So, for the next few minutes, I'm not fighting it! Here are my random thoughts for the week:

This Sunday night will be packed: Hanging of the Greens at 5pm, followed by a soup fellowship and a dessert fundraiser for our youth, followed by our 2020 Vision Team meeting. Whew!

Francis Chan: "Lukewarm people don't really want to be saved from their sin; they want only to be saved from the penalty of their sin."

The search team for our next Student Pastor is in need of prayer for wisdom and discernment from the Lord.

I love the holidays – favorite time of the year!

It's a joy to be your pastor. It's more than I deserve.

If a man tries to fail and succeeds, which has he done?

IBC has a great choir.

January 2019 will give me a great opportunity to share some exciting stuff coming from our 2020 Vision Team!

There are only 4 weeks before Christmas! Yikes!

Harold Wilson: "He who rejects change is the architect of decay.

The only human institution which rejects progress is the cemetery."

Every time Alabama wins a football game, an angel sheds a tear.

I'll bet my Christmas tree this year is fatter than yours!

When judgment is stained with hypocrisy, moral authority and the right to be heard are lost.

Please pray for our teenagers. They are a great group! Even without a full-time leader, they remain faithful, upbeat, and fun to be around! Our next Student Pastor will be blessed to lead them!

We have many silent hurts and needs in our congregation. When you come this Sunday, be especially kind to one another, praying for those in your class and those sitting near you in church. You never know what they're dealing with. This should be the place where they receive the greatest uplifting!

Stephen Covey: I am not a product of my circumstances. I am a product of my decisions.

Thanksgiving joke: What do hippies put on their Thanksgiving potatoes? A: Groovy.

See what I mean? Random.

Now, if you'll excuse me, I need to get one hand back on the wheel while I use the other to clean up the coffee I just spilled going over that speed bump!

Pastor Lane

POINSETTIAS

It's time to order Christmas Poinsettias to beautify our sanctuary again this year!

The cost is \$7.50
The ABSOLUTE DEADLINE to order
your poinsettia is NOON ON
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5th.

FORMS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE OFFICE, GADDY BLDG.,
SANCTUARY & FLC. PLEASE RETURN FORM AND MONEY
TO THE CHURCH OFFICE.

Newsletter changes to make note of:

The Newsletter published December 17th will take you through the end of the year.

Beginning in January our newsletter schedule will change to semi-monthly and will be published on the 14th & 28th of each month.

FOOD PANTRY NEED

Special Request for December: Batteries of all sizes

PRAYER MEETING

Wednesday, November 28th
Family Life Center (Gym).

5:30 pm Bring your own Supper
6:30 pm Prayer Meeting Begins



Baby shower for Jessica Schroyer
December 1st at 2:00pm in the Gaddy Building
Jessica needs girl's clothes size 3-9 months, diapers,
or gift cards.



Hanging of the Green
December 2 at 5pm



Followed by a Soup Supper at 6pm
Please bring a finger food to share.
(NO DESSERTS PLEASE)



Youth Dessert Auction – 7:00pm

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS Dec. 2 - Dec. 9

During the month of December...Pray for and give to the Lottie
Moon Christmas Offering. Goal is: **\$10,000.00**

LOTTIE MOON POST OFFICE IS OPENING FOR BUSINESS WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 28TH

Mail your cards to your friends who attend Immanuel. Please do
not mail to shut-ins or those who will not be here to check their "mail."
Cost of mailing is 10 cents per card and goes to The Lottie Moon
Christmas offering for International Missions.

Youth Christmas Party
Saturday, December 15th @ 7:00 pm
in the Family Life Center

More details coming soon!



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CALENDAR OF OPPORTUNITIES Sunday, December 2, 2018

Nursery
Dave & Joan Honeycutt, Kathleen Strickland, Jonathan &
Krista Bethune
Nursery
Andrea Byington, Nancy Chapman
Children's Church
Bruce & Alicia Powell
Security Monitors
E/N Leggett, Dave Osborne, Jeff Matthews, Dan Owen
Security Monitors
Glen Veale, Christian Parker

Morning Worship
Evening Worship
Morning Worship
Morning Worship
Evening Worship

Sunday School (Classes available for all) 9:45 am
Morning Worship 11:00 am
Evening Worship -Hanging of the Green 5:00 pm
Soup Supper 6:00 pm
Youth Dessert Auction 7:00 pm

Monday, December 3rd

ESL 7:00 pm

Tuesday, December 4th

Run Off Elections – FLC in Use

Wednesday, December 5th

Bring your own Supper 5:30 pm
Activities 6:30 pm
Prayer Meeting 6:30 pm
Youth Choir 7:15 pm
Choir Rehearsal 7:45 pm

Thursday, December 6th

Men's Bible Study 9:30 am
ESL 10:00 am
Open Gym 6:30 pm



Birthday Party for Jesus Sunday, December 23rd During Children's Church

Children up through 5th grade are invited to join us as we celebrate
the birth of Jesus!

Senior Pastor
Minister of Music
Interim Youth Minister
Organist
Pianist

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