



**2009  
Budget Vote**  
Sunday  
November 23  
during  
Morning Worship  
*Vote will be by ballot.*

*All-Church*

*Thanksgiving  
Banquet*



*This*  
**Sunday  
November 23  
5:00 pm**

Tickets are available in the office during regular office hours. Everyone will require a ticket. The last day to purchase tickets is this Thursday.



Douglas Falknor, *Pastor*

*But Jesus said, "Let the children alone, and do not hinder them from coming to Me; for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."*

*Matthew 19:14*

What a special privilege we have to teach children the good news about Jesus Christ. Many parents have come to my office with their children for us to talk about how that child had trusted Jesus to forgive them of their sin and to be the Lord of their life. The parents beam with joy and thanksgiving as we talk about baptism to show what God has done in their child's life.

It is not by accident that children trust Jesus as Savior and Lord. There are many things at work in a child's life that help bring them to a point of decision to be saved. Parents model for their child what it means to be a Christian. Young children often see the best in their parents and, even when parents do not live up to their ideals, they want to follow the pattern established by their parents. Encouraging Christian parents creates a positive setting for children to trust Jesus.

The work of these parents is strengthened by the faithfulness of the local church. We have the joy of coming alongside parents to equip them to grow in Christ and to reinforce God's truths in their children. Our Sunday School, Discipleship Training, and Music teachers are an essential link for children to trust Jesus and to grow as followers of Christ.

Above all else is the work of the Holy Spirit revealing God's love, convicting of sin, and moving in each child's life. Jesus demonstrated His love for children and often used children as true examples of trusting God.

How are you helping us make an eternal difference in the lives of children? What task are you fulfilling that helps us reach preschoolers, children, and youth with the gospel of Jesus Christ?

Let me encourage you to join us in our calling to reach the coming generations. Commit to be used by God as a teacher or substitute teacher. Be available to hold babies in the nursery and let them learn the love of Jesus. Volunteer to drive on trips with middle school students. Become a prayer warrior for children and their parents. Speak to youth with positive, affirming words about God's work in them.

Let us be used by God to preach His truth to coming generations.

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**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23**

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9:30 am Sunday School  
10:50 Morning Worship  
with 2009 Budget Vote  
5:00 All-Church Thanksgiving Banquet

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**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 24**

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7:00 am Men's Prayer Mtg.  
6:15 pm FIRST Touch A4, P

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**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25**

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9:30 am Campus Ministers, NB  
12:30 pm Celebrate Recovery, NB

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**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 26**

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Office Open  
*No Wednesday Activities or Services*

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**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27  
& FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 28**

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**THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY  
OFFICE CLOSED  
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30**

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9:30 am Sunday School  
Adult 6 Breakfast, MH  
10:50 Morning Worship  
with Parent/Child Dedication  
4:00 pm ENGAGE Praise Team Rehearsal  
5:00 Experiencing God, 320  
6:00 ENGAGE

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**NO VOICE WILL BE PUBLISHED  
NEXT WEEK DUE TO THE  
THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY.**



### Women's Bible Study

**Don't Despair. There's Hope. You  
have a Kinsman Redeemer!**

*(A study of Ruth)*

**save these dates....**

**Sundays, 4:00-6:00 PM  
January 11-March 1**

Do you long to know God better?  
Do you desire to be more stable in your  
faith? Do you think, "I've got to know  
the Word, but I don't know how?"  
*Precept Upon Precept* Bible studies  
are designed to teach you how to study  
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It's time to think about



The RA's and GA's have  
worked

together to bring you an  
exceptional holiday deal!

### *Coming soon:*

Original Cards designed  
by the GA's  
&

25¢ postage stamps featuring  
original artwork by the RA's for  
inter-church delivery through  
our very own  
Lottie Moon Post Office Boxes.

**Cards & Stamps will be  
available to purchase on  
Sundays and Wednesdays  
beginning November 30!**

(2 card styles available, sold in  
packages of 5 for \$5. Each package  
includes an ornament.)

### **How does it work?**

There will be several drop boxes  
located around the church for  
depositing your stamped cards for  
friends and family in FBC. The card  
will be sorted alphabetically in the  
Lottie Moon Post Office Boxes which  
will be located across from the  
elevator.

**Don't forget to stop and check your  
mail throughout December!**

All proceeds will go to the Lottie  
Moon Christmas Offering for  
International Missions!



**At the regularly scheduled  
business meeting on November  
19, First Baptist Church...**

- A. Approved the October financial report.
- B. Approved the proposed 2009 budget
- C. Elected Robert and Tonya Murphy as Adult 6 teachers, Dan Eckels as the Middle School boys Sunday School teacher, Amanda Eaton as a worker in Music Friends II and Sharon Truelove as a worker in Music Makers II.
- D. Adopted the December 2008 Calendar of Activities.

# General



## Report

# December 2008

## Regularly Scheduled Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 12:00 Noon-FHS Underground	2 6:00 PM-WMBA Pastors/Staff Dinner, MH 7:00-Week of Prayer Meeting, Bill & Virginia Rose's home	3 5:30 PM-Adult Sunday School Director, Mtg., CR 6:00-Women's Bible Study, 322 6:40-MS Christmas Party	4 12:00 noon-Phase 2 C., CR	5 12:00 Noon-Adult Trip to Branson 6:00 PM-A7 Fellowship Childcare Night	6 Library Opens Sunday School Morning Worship Korean Ministry, NB Youth Choir ends 14 <sup>th</sup> Middle School Choir ends 14 <sup>th</sup> Team Kid ENGAGE
Week of Prayer for International Missions						
7 Food Pantry Day 4:30 PM-Collegiate Christ- mas Party, NB 5:00-Experiencing God, 320 6:00-Adult Ensembles Concert	8	9 Murray Smart's Class Party	10 5:45 PM-Youth Christmas Party 6:00-Women's Bible Study, 322	11 Deacon Dinner	12 6:00 PM-Gerald Jones' Class Party, Bill & Ann Lohmar's home	13 International Student Banquet, MH
Week of prayer ends						
14 4:00 PM-Stewardship C., CR 5:00 PM-Experiencing God, 320 6:00-Graded Choirs & Youth Choirs Concert	15 12:00 Noon-FHS Underground	16	17 6:00 PM-FIRST Family Christmas Party 7:00-Sanctuary Choir Practice with Orchestra No other evening activities	18 12:00 noon-Phase 2 C., CR	19	20 Quilting Group, #322 Bell Canto, Adult Bells Campanella, MS Bells ends 10 Family Meal, MH Resound, Youth Bells Graded Choirs Middle School Choir Acteens Bible Study/Prayer Meeting Sunday School Overview, 173 College Bible Studies, NB Chinese/English Bible Study Youth Prayer Groups Sanctuary Choir Middle School Bible Study Missions Orgs. Youth Worship & Bible Study Choir Childcare
A5 M3 Trip ends						
21 AM Worship-Sanctuary Choir Concert 5:00 PM-Experiencing God, 320 7:00-General Business Mtg.	22	23	24 Office Closed 5:30 PM-Lord's Supper Service	25 Christmas Day Office Closed	26 Christmas Holiday Office Closed	27
28 No Evening Service	29	30	31 No Activities			8:00 ENGAGE Musicians' Rehearsal 6:30pm Adult Basketball, MH
Thursdays						
STAFF WORK ANNIVERSARIES Dec. 9-Gordon Rowell (1997)						

### Sunday:

9:00am Library Opens  
9:30 Sunday School  
10:50 Morning Worship  
3:00pm Korean Ministry, NB  
5:00 Youth Choir ends 14<sup>th</sup>  
Middle School Choir ends 14<sup>th</sup>  
Team Kid  
6:00 ENGAGE

### Monday:

7:00am Men's Prayer Meeting, CR  
6:15pm FIRST Touch, P

### Tuesday:

9:30am Campus Ministers, NB  
12:30pm Celebrate Recovery, NB  
6:55 BSF

### Wednesday

9:30am Quilting Group, #322  
12:15pm *Bell Canto*, Adult Bells  
4:00 *Campanella*, MS Bells ends 10<sup>th</sup>  
5:00 Family Meal, MH  
*Resound*, Youth Bells  
5:45 Graded Choirs  
Middle School Choir  
Acteens  
6:00 Bible Study/Prayer Meeting  
Sunday School Overview, 173  
College Bible Studies, NB  
Chinese/English Bible Study  
Youth Prayer Groups  
Sanctuary Choir  
Middle School Bible Study  
Missions Orgs.  
7:00 Youth Worship & Bible Study  
7:40 Choir Childcare

### Thursday:

8:00 ENGAGE Musicians' Rehearsal  
6:30pm Adult Basketball, MH

**STAFF WORK ANNIVERSARIES**  
Dec. 9-Gordon Rowell (1997)

## Praise Record - Nov. 16

Sunday School Enrollment .....	1030
Sunday School Attendance .....	575
New Sunday School Members .....	1
Morning Worship .....	616
Evening Worship .....	160
Decisions .....	0
Other Weekly Bible Studies .....	5
<i>Metro Church</i> .....	43
Received for week .....	\$22,936.87
Required for week .....	\$24,816.82
Received in month to date .....	\$127,349.96
Required in month to date .....	\$74,450.46
Received in 2008 .....	\$1,444,67.86
Required in 2008 to date .....	\$1,470,588.00
<b>CBCG</b> Received this week .....	\$385.00
<b>CBCG</b> Received to-date .....	\$2,251,413.85

### ETC ~ NOVEMBER 23 , 2008

*Babies* 1– Patsy Sugg,  
Barbara Bolding  
*Babies* 2– Jane Skinner,  
DiAnne Deeds  
*Twos* 1– Michael & Nancy Whitten  
*Twos* 2– Zach & Dara Young  
*Threes* - Ron Eaton, Karli Foote  
*Fours*– Gary & Shelly Husnian

### ETC ~ NOVEMBER 30 , 2008

*Babies* 1– Lola Mae Shackelford,  
Margaret Little  
*Babies* 2– Brian & Kerry Cochran  
*Twos* 1– Lance & Tracey Johnson  
*Twos* 2– Charles & Shelly Martin  
*Threes* - Kathleen Doss, Jamie Foote  
*Fours*– Byron & Cari Humphry

### HOSPITALIZED:

Buddy Babcock, WRMC 5315  
JoAnn Liner, Willow Creek #6

### DEACON OF THE WEEK:

**NOVEMBER 23-29**  
Rick Tanneberger ☎ 521-7760



Our church family extends Christian love and sympathy to Dwayne & Michelle Calhoun and family on the loss of Michelle's grandfather, Wayne Marti, of Mount Vernon, Missouri on November 11, 2008;

...and to Lance and Tracey Johnson and family on the loss of her brother, Thomas Borders, on November 15, 2008.

### VAN DRIVERS ~

**SUN., NOVEMBER 23**  
Tony Ramirez (251-7885)  
**SUN., NOVEMBER 30**  
Randy Kirk (236-5036)  
Bill Rose (267-2541)

**NEXT FAMILY MEAL** Wednesday,  
December 3 @ 5 PM  
(none next week)

**MENU:** Chicken Tenders, Mashed Potatoes, Corn, Rolls, Potato/Salad Bar, Dessert

**CHILDREN'S MENU** (*PS-Grade 5 only*):  
Chicken Tenders

### KITCHEN WORKERS:

Kathy Dees and Tiajuana Gough  
Joe Young & Byron Humphry



**IN MEMORY OF**  
**RUTH HUNT**  
*Evelyn McDonald*

**DEACON NOMINATIONS** will be accepted through the last



**NOMINATIONS** Sunday in November. Forms are available in the church office and at the Information Center. All nomination forms must be completed and turned in to the church office by Sunday, November 30.

### FIRST Touch November 17

Visits: 6 YTD: 142  
Letters/Emails: 6 YTD: 437

**Next FIRST Touch**  
**Monday, November 24**  
**6:15 PM**  
**Adult 4 Department**

## F I R S T B A P T I S T C H U R C H

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### Extension

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Minister of Adults - Travis Wollenberg .....	18
Minister of College & Career - Steve Moore .....	16
Minister of Students - Steve Alberts .....	21
Minister of Childhood Education - Lisa Wheat .....	20
Church Administrator - Gordon Rowell .....	15
Pastor's Secretary - Sheila Smith .....	12
Publications Secretary - Terri Johnston .....	11
Play Learn Director - Carolyn Tanneberger .....	22
Preschool Coordinator - Linda Dilley .....	23
Security—Zach Turner .....	26

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