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Glory  
to God  
in the  
Highest

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21**

9:30 am Sunday School  
 10:50 Morning Worship  
 Christmas Concert III  
 Sanctuary Choir with Orchestra  
 5:00 pm Experiencing God, *last*  
 No Youth Choir  
 6:00 ENGAGE  
 7:00 General Business Mtg.

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 22**

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

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 23**

12:30 pm Celebrate Recovery, NB

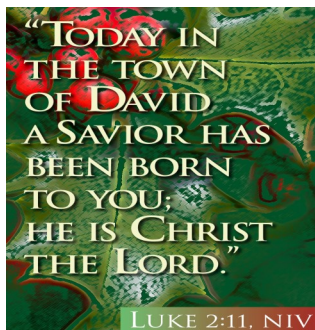
**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24**

**OFFICE CLOSED FOR CHRISTMAS**  
**No meal or regular activities.**

5:30 pm Lord's Supper  
 Christmas Eve Service

**THURSDAY & FRIDAY,  
DECEMBER 25 & 26**

**OFFICE CLOSED FOR CHRISTMAS**

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28**

9:30 am Sunday School  
 10:50 Morning Worship  
**No EVENING SERVICE OR ACTIVITIES**

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 29**

7:00 am Men's Prayer Mtg.  
 6:15 pm FIRST Touch A3, P

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 30**

12:30 pm Celebrate Recovery, NB

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 31**

**OFFICE OPEN.**

**No activities or services.**

**THURSDAY JANUARY 1**

**Office Closed for New Year's Day**

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 4**

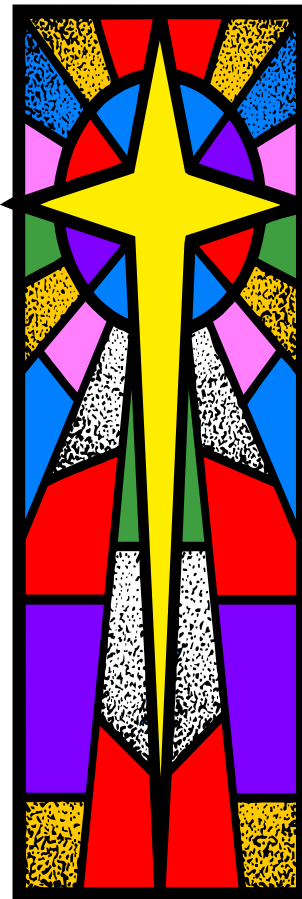
**FOOD PANTRY DAY**

9:30 am Sunday School  
 10:50 Morning Worship  
 1:00 pm Write the Bible Party, MH  
 5:00 No Youth Choir

Committee Orientation, MH  
 Middle School Discipleship Resumes

**There will be no VOICE**  
*published next week.*

# Christmas Concerts & Worship Events



**December 17 - 6:00 PM**

**First Family Christmas Celebration**  
 Mitchell Hall

**Sunday, December 21**

**10:50 AM**

**CHRISTMAS CONCERT III**

Narrated by Dan Skoff

*"Noel! Night of Everlasting Love"*

a fresh compilation of a dozen Christmas favorites including:

"Do You Hear What I Hear?", "What Child Is This?", "O Holy Night" and, "Hallelujah" from *MESSIAH*

Presented in the Sanctuary by the Sanctuary Choir & Festival Orchestra

**6:00 P.M.**

**CHRISTMAS ENGAGE SERVICE**

in the Sanctuary

**December 24 - 5:30 PM**

Christmas Eve Worship  
 with Lord's Supper

## Women's Bible Studies Beginning in January

Sign-up for these studies at the Information Center.

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

*(A study of Ruth)*

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

Is your knowledge of the Bible based on what others have told you, or is it based on your own study of God's Word? *Precept Upon Precept* Bible study groups encourage you to study the Bible for yourself. Develop a disciplined approach to studying the Bible through this study of the book of Ruth.

*For more information, call Cay Thorn at 443-3611.*

**it's tough being a woman**

*(A study of Esther)*

**Wednesdays, 6:00 PM  
 Beginning January 14**

Esther may have been a queen, but her life was no fairy tale. An outsider, a foreigner, and an orphan, she found herself facing an evil plan to destroy her people. And you thought your life was hard! Beth Moore's newest Bible study is Esther: It's Tough Being a Woman. With faith and courage, Esther looked to God to deliver her. You can share Esther's destiny—even if your glass slipper no longer seems to fit.

*Questions: Call Suzanne Morris at 443-5166 or 409-9001.*

**Thursday morning Women's Bible Study begins January 15 at 9:30 and will meet in the parlor. Details will be announced soon.**

# The Birth of Jesus

Now in those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus, that a census be taken of all the inhabited earth. This was the first census taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria.

And everyone was on his way to register for the census, each to his own city.

Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the city of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and family of David, in order to register along with Mary, who was engaged to him, and was with child.

While they were there, the days were completed for her to give birth.

And she gave birth to her firstborn son; and she wrapped Him in cloths, and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

In the same region there were some shepherds staying out in the fields and keeping watch over their flock by night.

And an angel of the Lord suddenly stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them; and they were terribly frightened.

But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for behold, I bring you good news of great joy which will be for all the people; for today in the city of David there has been born for you a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.

"This will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger."

And suddenly there appeared with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying,

"Glory to God in the highest, And on earth peace among men with whom He is pleased."

When the angels had gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds began saying to one another, "Let us go straight to Bethlehem then, and see this thing that has happened which the Lord has made known to us."



So they came in a hurry and found their way to Mary and Joseph, and the baby as He lay in the manger.

When they had seen this, they made known the statement which had been told them about this Child.

And all who heard it wondered at the things which were told them by the shepherds.

But Mary treasured all these things, pondering them in her heart.

The shepherds went back, glorifying and praising God for all that they had heard and seen, just as had been told them.



FBC

World Mission Ministry

Offering Goal:

**\$106,000**

***Received to Date:***

***\$38,269***

67%-Lottie Moon International Missions (\$71,020)

22%-Annie Armstrong North American Missions (\$23,320)

11%-Dixie Jackson State Missions (\$11,660)



This winter the preschool & children's ministry will be collecting hats, scarves, & mittens/gloves for children & adults who are in need this winter. If you would like to donate any of these items, we will be collecting in both ministry areas from December through January. Please bring new or clean, gently worn, children & adult size hats, scarves, & mittens. *For more information, contact Lisa at 442-2387, Ex. 20.*



**Sunday  
December 21  
7:00 PM**

**No FIRST Touch December 15  
Due to Road Conditions**

**Next FIRST Touch  
Monday, December 22 at 6:15 PM  
Adult 4 Department  
&  
Monday, December 29 at 6:15 PM  
Adult 3 Department**



Sunday School Enrollment .....	1041
Sunday School Attendance .....	584
New Sunday School Members .....	3
Morning Worship .....	643
Christmas Concert II .....	384
Decisions .....	2
Other Weekly Bible Studies .....	na
<i>The New Community Church</i> .....	41
Received for week .....	\$38,842.56
Required for week .....	\$29,496.06
Received in month to date .....	\$85,131.75
Required in month to date .....	\$58,992.15
Received in 2008 .....	\$1,571,409.08
Required in 2008 to date.....	\$1,580,229.85
<b>CBCG</b> Received this week .....	\$675.00
CBCG Received to-date .....	\$2,254,739.35
World Mission goal: .....	\$106,000.000
Received This Week: .....	\$17,692.25
Total YTD Receipts:.....	\$38,269.73

## DECISION

### On Promise of Letter

Betty Phillips  
1661 N Genoa  
Fayetteville 72704  
251-1463

Kellie Phillips  
1661 N Genoa  
Fayetteville 72704  
251-1463

Our church  
family extends  
Christian love



and sympathy to Joe and Janell  
Bailey on the loss of his cousin,  
Allen Bailey, of Fayetteville on  
December 11, 2008.



**IN MEMORY OF**  
**ALLEN BAILEY**  
*Joe & Janell Bailey*

**IN MEMORY OF**  
**WILLIAM H. DUNCAN**  
*Juanita Duncan*

**IN MEMORY OF**  
**WAUNITA E. KILLIAN**  
*Anonymous*  
*LOA Sunday School Class*  
*Andrew Hall*  
*Madeline Clarke Rose*  
*Willadeen C. Walker*

**IN MEMORY OF**  
**BOBBIE MCDANIEL**  
*Willadeen C. Walker*

### ETC ~ DECEMBER 21, 2008

*Babies* 1- Vasyl & Liliya Kunets  
*Babies* 2- Ellen Tidwell, Shannon  
Peters

*Twos* 1- Aaron & Allison McBride  
*Twos* 2- Clay & Brianne Fowlkes  
*Threes* - Don & Kim Horton  
*Fours*- Nate & Mauree Nantze

### ETC ~ DECEMBER 23, 2008

*Babies* 1- Carolyn Tanneberger,  
Barbara Moore  
*Babies* 2- Julie Ramirez, Marie Hall  
*Twos* 1- Lisa Falknor, Rachel Falknor  
*Twos* 2- Charles & Shelly Martin  
*Threes* - Jason & Stacy Williams  
*Fours*- Matt & Jennifer Mason

### HOSPITALIZED:

Millie Bryan, HealthSouth #113  
Janie Rose, WRMC #5205  
Barron South, WRMC #5317

### NO FAMILY MEAL UNTIL JAN 7

### DEACON OF THE WEEKS: DECEMBER 21-27

### Did you know:

that former student Bob Oliver is  
now the Financial Advisor for the  
Arkansas Baptist Foundation?

Murray Smart ☎ 521-1607  
**DECEMBER 28-JANUARY 3**  
Brad Vinson ☎ 267-4332

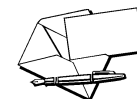
### VAN DRIVERS~

**SUN., DECEMBER 21**  
David Fellows (571-3662)  
Roger Cunningham (587-1143)

**SUN., DECEMBER 28**  
Tony Ramirez (251-7885)

To our family at First  
Baptist Fayetteville,

Thank you so much  
for all your calls, cards and words  
of love and support following the  
death of my brother. We are truly  
blessed to be a part of a church  
family that is so wonderful. We  
thank you for all the prayers; they  
were felt daily.



Lance, Tracey and  
Lily Johnson.

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