



DECEMBER

# The Link

2025

A pastor once received the following letter in the mail:

Pastor,

Last Sunday I attended your church, and I heard you preach. In your sermon, you said that all men have sinned and rebelled against God. Because of their rebellion and disobedience, they all face eternal damnation and separation from God.

But then you also said God loved men and sent His Son, Jesus Christ, into the world to redeem men from their sins and that all those who believe in him would go to heaven and live with God eternally.

My parents recently died in rapid succession. I know they did not believe in Jesus Christ, whom you call the Savior of the world. If what you preach is true, they are damned.

You compel me to believe that either the message is untrue, or that you yourself don't believe this message, or that you don't care. We live only three blocks from your church and no one ever told us. You hypocrites!

And then the young lady who sent it signed her name.

In Matthew 9, we read:

<sup>37</sup> Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is abundant, but the workers are few. <sup>38</sup> Therefore, pray to the Lord of the harvest to send out workers into his harvest."

Have you ever noticed the subtle but clear challenge of that prayer? Once you see it, you will never unsee it. Here it is: In praying for God to send somebody to the lost, the Lord is asking us to offer a prayer that we are clearly the answer to! In other words, the answer to the prayer is in the asking: It's you! It's me! We are the answer to the prayer! We are the "workers" who are to be sent "into His harvest."

Church, hear me: Go. Speak. Bear witness. The world is right next door, and the world needs Jesus.

Pastor Wyman

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*A First Baptist Camden* CHRISTMAS MUSIC PRESENTATION

REJOICING,  
REMEMBERING,  
REFLECTING

Christmas  
2025

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7 AT 3 PM & 6 PM  
FREE TICKETS ARE NOW AVAILABLE

NEW SERMON SERIES

THE GOSPEL OF  
**LUKE**

BEGINS DECEMBER 7

**CANDLELIGHT**  
CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

DECEMBER 24 - 5:00 PM



**GriefShare®**  
at First Baptist Camden

Beginning January 10

[TINYURL.COM/FBCGRIEFSHAREJAN26](https://tinyurl.com/FBCGRIEFSHAREJAN26)

January 11

Visitor & Guest Lunch

*first Look*

Discover What God's Doing at FBC

[tinyurl.com/FBCFirstLook](https://tinyurl.com/FBCFirstLook)

CAMP LA VIDA

SATURDAY, JANUARY 31 | 8 AM - 5 PM

**One Day Deacon Training**

For All Ordained Deacons - Active & Inactive  
REGISTER AT [TINYURL.COM/FBCDEACONTRAINING26](https://tinyurl.com/FBCDEACONTRAINING26)

## Welcome to the Family



Dawn & Kenneth  
Bennett



Tony & Morgan  
Hoover



Amanda Stokes



Briar Basch



Lily Davis



Paige Gardner



Sue Leamons



Emma Moser



Sarah Williams

Not Pictured: Amanda Godwin and Don & Sarah Myers



[TINYURL.COM/FBCCHOIRRETREAT26](https://tinyurl.com/FBCCHOIRRETREAT26)

## CHOIR & ORCHESTRA

*Winter Retreat*

**JANUARY 9-10**

*Don't miss the  
chili cook-off!*

## Ladies' Retreat

FEBRUARY 6-8 | NORTH MYRTLE BEACH | \$150

FOR DETAILS AND TO REGISTER  
[TINYURL.COM/FBCLADIESBR26](https://tinyurl.com/FBCLADIESBR26)

## OASIS

A Christ-centered  
mission group for young adults  
exploring life choices and  
God's plan for their lives

**DECEMBER 18**

6:30 PM AT THE HOME  
OF MARION JACKSON

## WOMEN ON MISSION

December 9  
@ 10:00 am  
Ropeholders &  
Heartshapers  
East Building  
Room 130

## PARENTS

NIGHT OUT

DECEMBER 12 FROM 6-9 PM

REGISTER YOUR CHILD AT [TINYURL.COM/FIRSTKIDS25PNO](https://tinyurl.com/FIRSTKIDS25PNO)



**NO MIDWEEK  
DECEMBER 24 & 31**

*Christmas Break*



**Kids Worship**

• WILL BE ON PAUSE •  
12/28 & 1/4

## FIRST STUDENTS

*- Upcoming Events -*

**DEC.  
14**

**STUDENT CHRISTMAS GATHERING**  
5:00 PM - YOUTH ROOM - BRING A \$10 GAME GIFT

**JAN.  
23-25**

**GIRLS RETREAT**  
NORTH MYRTLE BEACH - \$100 IF YOU REGISTER BY 12/25

**FEB. 27 -  
MARCH 1**

**GUYS RETREAT**  
CROWDER'S RIDGE - \$100 IF YOU REGISTER BY 1/15

**JUNE  
5-12**

**HIGH SCHOOL - ALASKA MISSION TRIP**  
DETAILS COMING SOON!

**JULY  
6-10**

**6TH - 12TH STUDENT LIFE CAMP**  
MISSIONS CAMP - LIBERTY UNIVERSITY

**JULY  
20-22**

**COLA WARS**

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# UPCOMING EVENTS

## - D E C E M B E R 2 0 2 5 -

NOV. 30 - DEC. 6	LOTTIE MOON WEEK OF PRAYER
DEC. 2 TUESDAY	11:45 AM - YOUNG AT HEART
DEC. 4 THURSDAY	6:30 PM - CHRISTMAS PRESENTATION DRESS REHEARSAL
DEC. 7 SUNDAY	LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING 3:00 & 6:00 PM - CHRISTMAS PRESENTATION "REJOICING, REMEMBERING, REFLECTING CHRISTMAS"
DEC. 12 FRIDAY	6:00 - 9:00 PM - PARENTS' NIGHT OUT
DEC. 14 SUNDAY	5:00 PM - STUDENT MINISTRY CHRISTMAS GATHERING
DEC. 24 WEDNESDAY	NO MIDWEEK ACTIVITIES 5:00 PM - CANDLELIGHT CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE
DEC. 24 - 26	CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

## NOVEMBER TOTALS

Monthly Budget.....\$156,804  
 November Giving.....\$154,417  
 Year to Date Budget.....\$1,724,844  
 Year to Date Giving.....\$1,642,467

Average Sunday School Attendance..359  
 Average Worship Attendance.....490

### November Designated Funds

Benevolence.....\$1,657  
 Building Fund.....\$298  
 CLC Project.....\$50  
 Janie Chapman.....\$60  
 Lottie Moon.....\$7,200  
 Love Offering.....\$7,610  
 Men's Ministry.....\$100  
 Sacks of Love.....\$250  
 WMU.....\$1,333



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## SUNDAY

9:15 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL - BIBLE STUDIES  
 10:30 AM WORSHIP  
 4:00 PM CHOIR & ORCHESTRA REHEARSAL  
 4:30 PM TEEN GIRLS LIFE GROUP BIBLE STUDY  
 4:30 PM - 12/28 - LOVE, SERVE, GIVE

## MONDAY

6:00 PM LADIES ADVENT BIBLE STUDY (ENDS 12/15)

## WEDNESDAY

10:00 AM LADIES ADVENT BIBLE STUDY (ENDS 12/17)  
 4:45 PM WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER  
 6:00 PM ADULT BIBLE STUDY & PRAYER MTG.  
 6:00 PM WEDNESDAY NITE KIDS  
 6:00 PM FIRST STUDENTS - FBC SET APART  
 6:30 PM CHOIR & ORCHESTRA REHEARSAL

## THURSDAY

6:45 AM MEN'S BIBLE READERS ENCOURAGEMENT  
 GROUP AT CHICK-FIL-A  
 6:30 PM OASIS - YOUNG ADULT MISSION GROUP  
 12/18

## SATURDAY

6:30 AM MEN'S ACCOUNTABILITY  
 7:30 AM MEN'S STUDY - 33 SERIES (ENDS 12/6)

## WOMEN ON MISSION

12/9 - 10:00 AM  
 ROPE HOLDERS & HEARTSHAPERS

## OUR CHURCH STAFF

Minister.....Every Member  
 Senior Pastor.....Wyman Richardson  
 Minister to Students.....Clint Ellis  
 Minister of Music.....Tommy Sunderland  
 Director of Children's Ministries .....Stephanie Caldwell  
 Director of Senior Adult Ministries.....Mark Derr

### Support Staff:

Office Manager/Bookkeeper.....Tracy Collier  
 Ministry Assistant.....Angie Black  
 Ministry Assistant.....Amber McCaskill  
 Communications Director.....Tiffany Ellis  
 Tech Director.....Douglas Smith  
 Childcare Center Director.....Amy Shivar  
 Facilities Manager.....William (Buck) Clyburn  
 Kitchen Manager.....Lana Wright

Church Office Telephone.....803-432-7635  
 Church Prayer Line.....803-432-5031  
 Fax.....803-432-6264  
 Childcare Telephone.....803-432-9069

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Monday - Thursday 7:30 am - 5:30 pm  
 Friday 8:00 am - 12:00 pm