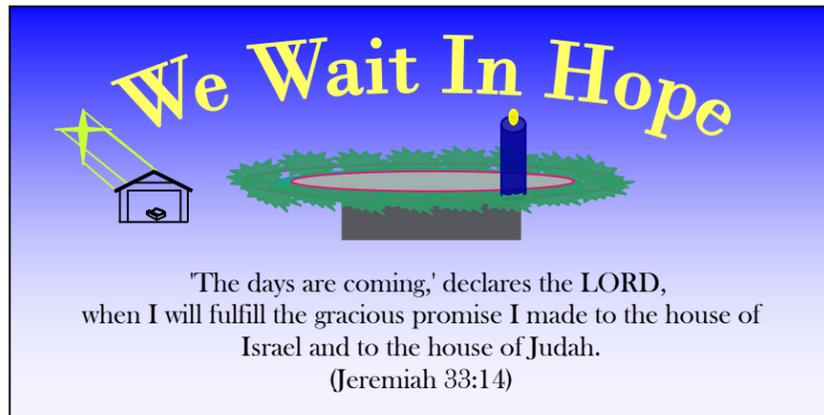


**Welcome to**  
**Jonesboro Heights Baptist Church**  
Established 1869

*Embodying the presence of Christ to Sanford and the world*



**The Lord's Day, November 28, 2010**  
**First Sunday of Advent**

We are grateful that you have chosen to worship God with us today. We invite you to join us on this incredible journey of following Jesus Christ as His disciples, striving to fulfill our mission of embodying the presence of Christ to Sanford and the world through our worship, our witness, and our way of life.

*Join us each Sunday morning for these opportunities . . .*

- 8:45 A.M. - Food and Fellowship (Chapel)
- 9:00 A.M. - Celebration Worship (Chapel)
- 9:45 A.M. - Sunday School:
- Preschoolers (1<sup>st</sup> floor of educational wing)
- Small group Bible study for Children, Youth, and Adults (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> floors of the educational wing)
- 11:00 A.M. - Worship Service (Sanctuary)

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**Church Staff:**

- Dr. Mark E. Gaskins, Senior Pastor (mark.gaskins@jhbc.org)
- Rev. Gilbert W. McDowell, Pastor Emeritus
- Rev. Ronnie Byrd, Associate Pastor for Music & Education (ronnie.byrd@jhbc.org)
- Rev. David Webb, Church Administrator (david.webb@jhbc.org)
- Mrs. Marva Lee Roush, Administrative Assistant (info@jhbc.org)
- Mrs. Jo Ann Brickhouse, Organist
- Mrs. Kimberly Davidson, Pianist

**The Worship of God**  
**The Lord's Day, November 28, 2010**  
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**11:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE (Sanctuary)**  
Broadcast live on WFJA 105.5 FM

Gathering to Worship  
Ministry Opportunities  
Greeting

Mark Gaskins

Music for Meditation  
Instrumentalist

*O Lord our God, make us watchful and keep us faithful  
as we await the coming of Your Son our Lord;  
that when He shall appear, He may not find us sleeping in sin  
but active in His service and joyful in His praise;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*  
(from *Gathering for Worship*)

Words of Welcome  
Mark Gaskins

Call to Worship  
Romans 13:11-14 (NIV)

- PASTOR: The hour has come for you to wake up from your slumber, because our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed.
- PEOPLE: **The night is nearly over; the day is almost here. So let us put aside the deeds of darkness and put on the armor of light.**
- PASTOR: Let us behave decently, as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and debauchery, not in dissension and jealousy.
- PEOPLE: **Rather, clothe yourselves with the Lord Jesus Christ, and do not think about how to gratify the desires of the sinful nature.**

Choral Response "A Stable Prayer" Sanctuary Choir

Invocation Heather Webb

Hymn 245 "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" Congregation

Children's Sermon: The Advent Wreath Mark Gaskins

Hymn 258 "Go, Tell It on the Mountain" Congregation

Thanksgiving with Tithes and Offerings  
*"For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor,  
so that you through his poverty might become rich."*  
(2 Corinthians 8:9, NIV)

Offertory Prayer  
Anthem "In the Manger" Sanctuary Choir

Scripture and Sermon Mark Gaskins

Isaiah 2:1-5  
"But in the Meantime . . ."

Hymn 272 "While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks" Congregation

The Church at Prayer

Commission and Benediction Mark Gaskins

Scattering on Mission



*Join us for this week's evening services and activities . . .*

- **Sunday Evening, 6:30 p.m. (Bullock-Matthews Room) - Operation Antioch discipleship study led by Heather Webb**
- **Wednesday Mid-Week Worship, 6:15 P.M. (McDowell Hall) - Family Night Supper**

*\*Tableaux for Him  
December 5, 2010  
6:00 pm*

*Join us for an evening of food, fellowship and music by the children's choirs and our handbell choir as we reflect, relax, and rekindle ones' kindred spirits as we begin our Christmas Celebrations!*

*I would like to invite 15 families or more to use their talents to decorate a table using any sacred Christmas Carol as the theme for your table decoration. If you would be willing to participate or need more information, please contact Rev. Ronnie Byrd or Mrs. Wanda Howard.*

*\*The word Tableaux means a picturesque description or display that portrays a striking visual scene.*

**Details:**

- *You may decorate your table anytime on Saturday, December 4<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, December 5<sup>th</sup> after church till 4:00 pm.*
- *Tables will be photographed to be on display at a later date*

*(We would like to have your decorative tables to remain on display if McDowell Hall calendar permits for a limited time)*

**Our Mission**

By the grace of God and the power of His Holy Spirit, we will embody the presence of the crucified and risen Lord Jesus Christ to Sanford and the world through our worship, our witness, and our way of life as His disciples.

**Our Values**

- ✦ God-focused intergenerational worship
- ✦ Bible-centered life-impacting Bible study and Discipleship
- ✦ Hands-on relationship-driven missions
- ✦ An accepting and encouraging sense of family where everyone's voice counts

**Becoming a Follower of Christ**

Being a Christian involves a personal commitment to Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. Every one of us is a sinner and in need of God's forgiveness. Only Christ can save us and set us right with God through His own life, death on the cross, and resurrection from the dead. Those who put their faith in Him and commit their lives to Him as their Lord experience His forgiveness and are set right with God. Those who have not put their faith in Him are separated from God by their sin, a separation that continues in eternity in hell if they die without Christ.

Trusting Jesus involves recognizing your need of Him, asking Him to forgive you, and committing yourself to Him as your Lord. The Christian life is about following Jesus, getting to know Him, and becoming like Him. Once you trust Christ, being baptized expresses your commitment publicly. Becoming a part of a local congregation helps you to know and serve Christ as a part of His people, the family of God.

We would be delighted to talk with you about making a commitment to Jesus Christ. Please see one of our pastors after the service or contact the church office (919-776-1541).

**Becoming a Member of Jonesboro Heights Baptist Church**

Becoming a member of a local congregation of believers is an important step in the Christian life. Through membership in a local church, we experience fellowship with other Christians, study God's word and learn together in worship and in small groups, and participate in our risen Lord's mission in the world.

Jonesboro Heights Baptist Church gladly receives members who are followers of Christ and who believe that God is leading them to become a part of our church. New believers are received into the church through baptism. Members of other Baptist churches are received by transfer of membership. Persons coming from other Christian denominations are received by statement of their faith along with believer's baptism (if they have not already experienced believer's baptism.)

If you would like to become a member of Jonesboro Heights Baptist Church, you may come forward during the hymn of commitment following the sermon and present yourself as a candidate for membership. If you would like to discuss your decision prior to making it public or have further questions about membership in JHBC, please talk with one of our pastors after the service or contact the church office (919-776-1541).

**CHURCH MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES**

**Sunday, November 28**

8:45 AM Celebration Worship (Chapel)  
 9:00 – 9:45 AM Church Library Open  
 9:45 - 10:45 AM Sunday School  
 11:00 AM Worship Service  
 (Broadcast live on WFJA 105.5FM)  
 12:00 – 12:15 PM Church Library Open  
 5:00 PM Handbell Choir  
 6:30 PM Children / Youth Bible Drill  
 6:30 PM Discipleship/Worship – Operation Antioch  
 (Bullock-Matthews Room)

**Monday, November 29**

6:30 PM Baptist Men (Old Fellowship Hall)

**Tuesday, November 30**

7:30 AM Men's Prayer Meeting  
 7:00 PM Sunday School Council Meeting  
 6:30 PM Sanctuary Choir Practice

**Wednesday, December 1**

10:30 AM Staff Meeting  
 6:15 PM Family Night Covered Dish Supper  
 Children's Choir Practice  
 7:00 PM Youth Worship  
 7:15 PM Sanctuary Choir Practice

**Thursday, December 2**

12:00 Noon Higher Heights Christmas Luncheon  
 (McDowell Hall)  
 12:30 – 2:00 PM WINGS Bible Study

**Saturday, December 4**

8:00 AM Men's Prayer Meeting

**SPECIAL UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Baptist Men** will meet on **Monday, November 29 at 6:30 PM** in the Old Fellowship Hall. Our program will be Paul Dailey, Director of Duncan Camp for Girls. The facilitator for the evening will be Mitchell Watson and our chef will be Norman Brickhouse.



**Children's Choir Practice**

There will also be a Children's Choir practice on **Wednesday, December 1** immediately following the Family Night Covered Dish Supper. **Please** make every effort to attend this practice as we will be practicing our songs to be performed on Sunday evening, December 5, 2010. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Kaye Cummings, Karen Wood, Laurie Phillips, Kristen Ozee, or Rev. Ronnie Byrd.

**SPECIAL UPCOMING EVENTS (continued)**

**College Student this week is Derrick Matthews.** Derrick is the son of Tommy and Vicky Matthews. He attends UNC - Charlotte. Please send him a card or note this week to let him know that you remember him and you are praying for him. Derrick's address is 10916 Education Way, Apartment 1203, Charlotte, NC 28262.

**Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Update** – This information is already outdated, but we knew you would like to know how many shoeboxes were collected this week – 4,262! However, before we could even get the ink to dry on the bill of lading, more boxes were being delivered! Although our collection site total was down from the 4,550 shoeboxes collected in 2009, JHBC shoeboxes totals rose from 331 in 2009 to 368 this year!! Thank you Church for your part in reaching children for Christ!!

**Dig a Well for a Village in Bihar, India** – The Baptist Men are sponsoring a well for a village. One well will provide clean water for a village. One well can be completed by NC Baptist Men for \$800. Fifty (50) villages need a well, help us do our part! This is a church-wide mission project. Make your check payable to JHBC and mark in the memo and envelope that it is for the NC Baptist Men Well Project.

*Well for a Village - amount collected as of November 21, 2010 - - \$690.00*

**Higher Heights** invites all Seniors of JHBC to a special Christmas Luncheon on **Thursday, December 2 at Noon in McDowell Hall.** Lunch will be provided, but for dessert we are asking those who are willing to bring a pie or cake. Sign-up sheets are located in all adult Sunday School classrooms, on the table near Matthews-Bullock Room, and in the hall of the library/nursery wing. It is requested that you sign up to attend so we'll have enough food. To participate in 'the game', each one of you will need to bring a 'white elephant' from home to place on your table (keep it small)! If you have any questions, please contact any member of Higher Heights or Marcia Johnson – 499-9714.

**Time to Order Poinsettias** – Just fill out the order form, include \$9.25 for each poinsettia and place your order in the box located on the table in the hallway outside of Bullock-Matthews Room. Order forms are also available on the table. **Deadline for poinsettia orders is Sunday, November 27.**

**Take Your Operation Christmas Child Involvement to a New Level!---** Go with us to Charlotte to process shoeboxes! Trip date is **Tuesday, December 7** - - depart at 7 AM and return around 7:30 PM. For more details or to sign up, call Donna Smith at 777-8786 or Alice Gilchrist at 708-5205.

**Seniors/Higher Heights** - Trip to Rudy Theater, Selma on **December 10.** See details on sign-up sheet on the table outside the Bullock- Matthews room.

**BUDGET AND ATTENDANCE: November 21, 2010 (Week 12 of 52)**

|                                      |               |                             |                |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------|----------------|
| <u><b>GENERAL FUND</b></u>           |               |                             |                |
| Weekly Budgeted Needs                | \$ 10,660.82  | YTD Budget Goal             | \$ 127,929.87  |
| T/O Received                         | \$ 5,013.15   | YTD T/O Received            | \$ 106,664.54  |
| Less Budget This Week                | \$ (5,647.67) | YTD Difference              | \$ (21,265.33) |
| (2011 Budget: \$554,362.75)          |               |                             |                |
| (\$554,362.75/52 weeks= \$10,660.82) |               | <b>TOTAL GIVING</b>         | \$ 5,830.15    |
|                                      |               | (Last Week)                 |                |
| <u><b>CHILDRENS HOME</b></u>         | \$ 387.00     |                             |                |
| <u><b>BAPT MEN WELLS</b></u>         | \$ 330.00     | <u><b>ATTENDANCE</b></u>    |                |
|                                      |               | Sunday School               | 157 + 7        |
|                                      |               | 8:45 AM Celebration Worship | 31             |
| <u><b>BUILDING FUND</b></u>          | \$ 100.00     | 11 AM Worship               | 234            |
| Current Balance is \$159,126.51      |               | PM-Community Thanksgiving   | 188            |