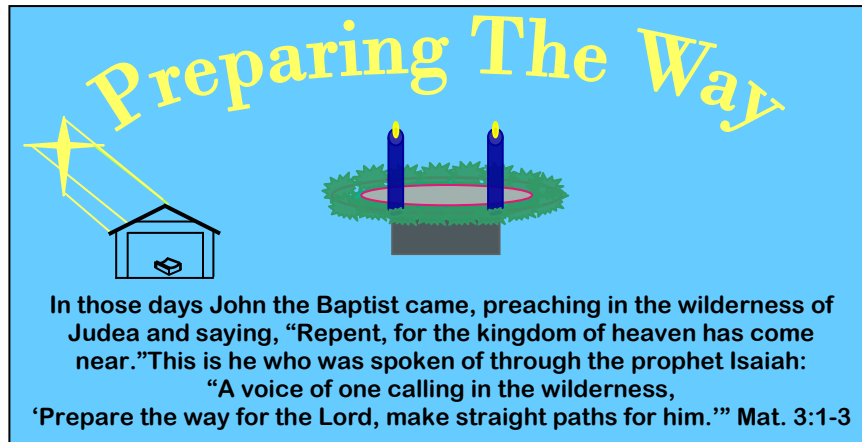


Welcome to
Jonesboro Heights Baptist Church
Established 1869

Embodying the presence of Christ to Sanford and the world



Preparing The Way

In those days John the Baptist came, preaching in the wilderness of Judea and saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." This is he who was spoken of through the prophet Isaiah: "A voice of one calling in the wilderness, 'Prepare the way for the Lord, make straight paths for him.'" Mat. 3:1-3

The Lord's Day, December 5, 2010
Second 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 (1st floor of educational wing)
- Small group Bible study for Children, Youth, and Adults (1st, 2nd, 3rd 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, December 5, 2010
Second Sunday of Advent

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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

Kimberly Davidson

*A shoot will come up from the stump of Jesse; from his roots  
a Branch will bear fruit . . . . In that day the root of Jesse will stand  
as a banner for the peoples; the nations will rally to him,  
and his place of rest will be glorious.*

(Isaiah 11:1, 10, NIV)

Words of Welcome

Mark Gaskins

Call to Worship

Psalm 72:18-19 (NIV)

PASTOR: Praise be to the LORD God, the God of Israel,  
who alone does marvelous deeds.

PEOPLE: **Praise be to his glorious name forever;  
may the whole earth be filled with his glory.**

ALL: **AMEN AND AMEN.**

Choral Response "A Stable Prayer" Sanctuary Choir

Invocation

Noah Cowfer

Hymn 251 "It Came upon the Midnight Clear" Congregation

Children's Sermon: The Advent Wreath

Mark Gaskins

Scripture Lesson Matthew 3:1-12

Emma Cowfer

Hymn 278 "Angels We Have Heard on High" 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 "Call Him Jesus" Sanctuary Choir

Scripture and Sermon

Mark Gaskins

Romans 15:1-13  
"More than a Jewish Carpenter"

Hymn 292 "Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne" 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, 6:00 p.m. (McDowell Hall) - Tableaux for Him**
- **Wednesday Mid-Week Worship, 6:15 P.M. (Bullock-Matthews Room) - Dr. Mark Gaskins teaching**

*Jonesboro Heights Baptist Church*  
**Sanctuary Choir**  
*Presents*



*Celebrating The First Noel*  
*Directed by Rev. Ronald Byrd*

**Saturday, Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm**  
*and*  
**Sunday, Dec. 12<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 pm & 7:30 pm**

*Nursery Available*

*Doors Open*  
**Saturday at 6:45 pm**  
*&*  
**Sunday at 2:45 pm & 6:45 pm**

### 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, December 5 – Second Sunday of Advent

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  
12:00 Noon Library Staff Meeting  
5:00 PM Handbell Choir  
5:15 PM Children's Choirs Practice  
6:00 PM Tableaux for Him including Children's Choirs and Handbells (McDowell Hall)

### Monday, December 6

6:30 PM Deacon's Meeting (Conference Room)

### Tuesday, December 7

7:30 AM Men's Prayer Meeting  
6:30 PM Sanctuary Choir Practice

### Wednesday, December 8

10:30 AM Staff Meeting  
6:15 – 7:15PM Mid-Week Worship  
No Mission Friends, GA's and RA's  
Youth Worship  
7:00 PM No Sanctuary Choir Practice

### Thursday, December 9

7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

### Friday, December 10

7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

### Saturday, December 11

8:00 AM Men's Prayer Meeting  
7:30 PM Sanctuary Choir Christmas Musical

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

*Join us this evening for 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!*

*Details - You may decorate your table today 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)*

## SPECIAL UPCOMING EVENTS

**College Student this week is Craig Oates.** Craig is the son of David and Mary Hawley Oates. He is attending graduate school at the University of Delaware. Please send him a card or note this week to let him know that you remember him and you are praying for him. Craig's address is 12 Ardmore Road, Newark, DE 19713.

**Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Update** – Since the truck left, we have collected 155 more shoeboxes. Bringing our grand total to 4,417 shoeboxes as of December 3. 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 28, 2010 - - \$3,310.00*

**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.

**JHBC Sanctuary Choir** presents *Celebrating The First Noel* on **Saturday, December 11 at 7:30 PM** and **Sunday, December 12 at 3:30 PM** and **7:30 PM**.

**Volunteers Needed** – to work on **Friday, December 17** and **Saturday, December 18** at the NC Treasure Chest Ministry at the Arts Center in Sanford. There are numerous ways you can help, contact Tamara Lamb at 919-777-9222 for more information.

**Children's Choirs, Mission Friends, GA's and RA's** will resume their normal scheduled on **Wednesday, January 12**.

**Personnel Committee** will meet on **Tuesday, December 14** at 6:30 PM.

### BUDGET AND ATTENDANCE: November 28, 2010 (Week 13 of 52)

#### GENERAL FUND

|                                      |               |                     |                |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|---------------------|----------------|
| Weekly Budgeted Needs                | \$ 10,660.82  | YTD Budget Goal     | \$ 138,590.69  |
| T/O Received                         | \$ 13,647.75  | YTD T/O Received    | \$ 120,312.29  |
| More Budget This Week                | \$ (2,986.93) | YTD Difference      | \$ (18,278.40) |
| (2011 Budget: \$554,362.75)          |               |                     |                |
| (\$554,362.75/52 weeks= \$10,660.82) |               | <b>TOTAL GIVING</b> | \$ 18,767.75   |
|                                      |               | (Last Week)         |                |

**CHILDRENS HOME** \$ 685.00

**CBF GLOBAL MISSIONS** \$ 512.50

**LOTTIE MOON** \$ 602.50

**INDIA WELL PROJECT** \$ 2,620.00

**BUILDING FUND** \$ 700.00

Current Balance is \$159,126.51

#### ATTENDANCE

|                             |         |
|-----------------------------|---------|
| Sunday School               | 172 + 8 |
| 8:45 AM Celebration Worship | 31      |
| 11 AM Worship               | 254     |
| PM-Operation Antioch        | 22      |