

Welcome to
Jonesboro Heights Baptist Church
 Established 1869

Embodying the presence of Christ to Sanford and the world



The Lord's Day, December 12, 2010
Third 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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Mrs. Kimberly Davidson, *Pianist*

The Worship of God
The Lord's Day, December 12, 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
"O Come, All Ye Faithful"
"It Came Upon a Midnight Clear"

Handbell Choir

When John heard in prison about what Christ was doing, he sent his disciples to ask him, "Are you the one who was to come, or should we expect someone else?"

Jesus replied, "Go back and report to John what you hear and see: The blind receive sight, the lame walk, those who have leprosy are cured, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the good news is preached to the poor."

(Matthew 11:4-5, NIV)

Words of Welcome
 Mark Gaskins

Call to Worship
 James 5:7-8
 Mark Gaskins

Choral Response
"A Stable Prayer"
 Sanctuary Choir

Invocation
 Avron Upchurch

Hymn 249
"O Come, All Ye Faithful"
 Congregation

Children's Sermon: The Advent Wreath
 Mark Gaskins

Scripture Lesson
 Isaiah 35:1-10
 Mary Upchurch

Hymn 259
"Angels, from the Realms of Glory"
 Congregation

Worship In Song
"Go, Tell It on the Mountain"
 Heather Webb

Scripture and Sermon
 Mark Gaskins

Luke 1:39-56
"Singing with Mary"

Hymn 281
"What Child Is This?"
 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
 Worship Through Music
"O Come, O Come Emmanuel"
"Joy to the World!"
 Handbell Choir

The Church at Prayer

Commission and Benediction
 Mark Gaskins

Scattering on Mission



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

- Sunday Afternoon, 3:30 P.M. and Evening, 7:30 P.M. (Sanctuary) - Sanctuary Choir Musical
- Wednesday Mid-Week Worship, 6:15 P.M. (Bullock-Matthews Room) - International Missions Emphasis

Jonesboro Heights Baptist Church
Sanctuary Choir
Presents



Celebrating The First Noel
 Directed by Rev. Ronald Byrd

Sunday, December 12th
at 3:30 pm & 7:30 pm

Nursery Available

Doors Open
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 12 - Third 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
3:30 PM	Sanctuary Choir Christmas Musical
7:30 PM	Sanctuary Choir Christmas Musical

Monday, December 13

No Marjorie Spence/ Brown Bag

Tuesday, December 14

7:30 AM	Men's Prayer Meeting
6:30 PM	Personnel Committee Meeting
7:00 PM	WISH Group Meeting

Wednesday, December 15

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

Thursday, December 16

12:30 - 2:00 PM	WINGS
7:30 PM	Praise Band Rehearsal

Saturday, December 18

8:00 AM	Men's Prayer Meeting
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SPECIAL DECEMBER EVENTS

Sunday, December 12 at 3:30 PM - JHBC Sanctuary Choir Musical

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Wednesday, December 15

No Children's Choirs, Mission Friends, GA's or RA's

Sunday, December 19 - 11:00 AM Combined Worship Service

Wednesday, December 22 - No Mid-Week Worship or Activities

Friday, December 24 - 5:00 PM Christmas Eve Service

Sunday, December 26 - No Evening Worship Service or Activities

Wednesday, December 29 - No Mid-Week Worship or Activities

Special Note - December 24, 27 and 28 - Church Office Closed

ATTENTION!

Announcer Articles are due to the office no later than Wednesday, December 15 to make the January Announcer newsletter.

JHBC Christmas Card Mailbox has been set out. Please check your mailbox for Christmas cards. There is a donation box for the money you saved from purchasing postage stamps. This year the money collected will go to the NC Baptist Men's India Water Well Project.

Pizza Inn Receipts can only be turned in every three months. If you have any receipts for October, November and December, please place them in the box on the table outside the Bullock-Matthews Room as soon as possible.

SPECIAL ITEMS OF INTEREST

College Student this week is Elizabeth Oates. Elizabeth is the daughter of David and Mary Hawley Oates. She is attending Meredith College. Please send her a card or note this week to let her know that you remember her and you are praying for her. Elizabeth's address is 217 Vann, Meredith College, 3800 Hillsborough Street, Raleigh, NC 27607.

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.**

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 December 5, 2010 - - \$4,905.00

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

BUDGET AND ATTENDANCE: December 5, 2010 (Week 14 of 52)

GENERAL FUND

Weekly Budgeted Needs	\$ 10,660.82	YTD Budget Goal	\$ 149,251.51
T/O Received	\$ 11,841.26	YTD T/O Received	\$ 132,153.55
Over Budget This Week	\$ (1,180.44)	YTD Difference	\$ (17,097.96)
(2011 Budget: \$554,362.75)			
(\$554,362.75/52 weeks= \$10,660.82)		TOTAL GIVING	\$ 13,881.26
		(Last Week)	

CBF & LOTTIE MOON	\$ 195.00
H&E THOMAS MISSION	\$ 100.00
YOUTH MISSIONS	\$ 90.00
INDIA WELL PROJECT	\$ 795.00

ATTENDANCE

Sunday School	166 + 16
8:45 AM Celebration Worship	30
11 AM Worship	254
PM-Tableaux for Him	146

BUILDING FUND \$ 860.00
Current Balance is \$159,126.51