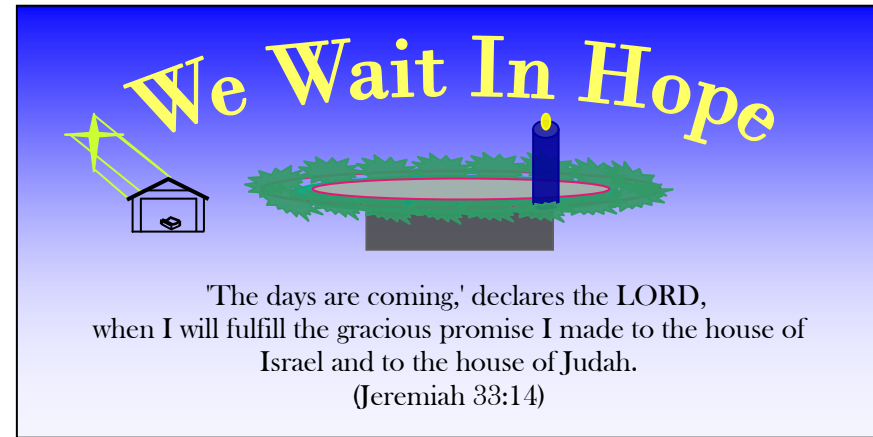


Welcome to
Jonesboro Heights Baptist Church
Established 1869

Embodying the presence of Christ to Sanford and the world



The Lord's Day, November 27, 2011

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 . . .

- 8:30 A.M. - Food and Fellowship (Chapel)
- 8:45 A.M. - Celebration Worship (Chapel)
- 9:45 A.M. - Sunday School (Small group Bible study):
Preschoolers (1st floor of the educational wing)
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*
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- Rev. Richard Wood, *Associate Pastor for Family Ministry*
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- Mr. Richard Sistrunk, Sr., *Church Administrator*
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- 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 27, 2011
First Sunday of Advent

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11:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE (Sanctuary)  
Broadcast live on WFJA 105.5 FM

*Please silence all cell phones and other electronic devices.*

*Gathering to Worship*

- Ministry Opportunities Richard Wood
- Greeting
- Music for Meditation Kimberly Davidson  
*Let your hand rest on the man at your right hand,  
the son of man you have raised up for yourself . . . .  
Restore us, LORD God Almighty;  
make your face shine on us, that we may be saved.*  
(Psalm 80:17, 19, NIV)
- Words of Welcome Mark Gaskins
- Call to Worship *A Candle Lighting Ceremony for Advent*
- Introduction Mark Gaskins
- Old Testament Lesson Isaiah 64:1-4 Mark Gaskins  
*"We Wait in Hope"* Sanctuary Choir
- PASTOR: Advent is a time to wait.
- PEOPLE: **We wait in hope for the Lord;  
he is our help and our shield.**
- PASTOR: During Advent we wait for light in the darkness.
- PEOPLE: **We wait in hope for the Lord;  
he is our help and our shield.**
- PASTOR: During Advent we wait for freedom from captivity.
- PEOPLE: **We wait in hope for the Lord;  
he is our help and our shield.**
- PASTOR: During Advent we wait for comfort in sorrow.
- PEOPLE: **We wait in hope for the Lord;  
he is our help and our shield.**
- PASTOR: During in Advent we wait for power in weakness.
- PEOPLE: **We wait in hope for the Lord;  
he is our help and our shield.**
- The First Candle Connor & Reagan Davidson
- Refrain *"We Wait in Hope"* Congregation
- Prayer Mark Gaskins

*Hearing the Word*

- Hymn 245 *"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"* Congregation
- Children's Sermon Richard Wood
- New Testament Lesson Rafe Davidson  
1 Corinthians 1:3-9 (page 1128)
- Hymn 258 *"Go, Tell It on the Mountain"* Congregation
- Thanksgiving with Our Tithes and Offerings  
*"Yours, O LORD, is the greatness and the power and the glory  
and the majesty and the splendor, for everything in heaven and earth  
is yours . . . . Everything comes from you, and we have given you  
only what comes from your hand."*  
(1 Chronicles 29:11a, 14b, NIV)
- Offertory Prayer
- Anthem *"In The Manger"* Sanctuary Choir
- Scripture and Sermon Mark Gaskins  
Mark 13:24-37 (page 1006)  
*"Awake and Watching"*

*Responding to the Word*

- Hymn 272 *"While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks"* Congregation
- The Church at Prayer
- Sending Forth*
- Charge and Benediction Mark Gaskins
- Scattering on Mission



- Join us for this week's evening services and activities . . .*
- **Sunday Evening Worship, 6:00 P.M. - Hanging of the Green (beginning in McDowell Hall, ending in Sanctuary)**
  - **Wednesday Mid-Week Worship, 6:15 P.M. (Bullock-Matthews Room) - Week of Prayer for International Missions**

**WE WAIT IN HOPE**

We wait in hope for the morning Light,  
For the love of Christ to illuminate the night.

We wait with joy for the Savior's birth;  
We wait in hope for peace on earth.

**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 27**

8:45 AM Early 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 105.5 FM)  
 11:00 AM Extended Session 1 – Kelly-Jo Desjarlais  
 Extended Session 2 – Catherine Mitchell  
 Church Library Open  
 12:00 – 12:15 PM  
 3:00 – 5:00 PM **Children's Choir Practice**  
**(Bullock-Matthews Room)**  
 6:00 PM **Hanging of the Greens**  
**(McDowell Hall and Sanctuary)**

**Monday, November 28**

6:30 PM

**Baptist Men (McDowell Hall)**

**Tuesday, November 29**

7:30 AM

Men's Prayer Meeting

**Wednesday, November 30**

6:00 – 8:00 PM  
 6:00 – 7:30 PM  
 6:15 – 7:15 PM  
 7:00 – 8:00 PM  
 7:15 – 8:45 PM

Church Library Open  
**Children's Choir Practice (Sanctuary)**  
 Mid-Week Worship (Bullock-Matthews Room)  
 Wednesday Night Youth Worship  
 Sanctuary Choir Practice

**Thursday, December 1**

12:30 – 2:00 PM  
6:30 PM

WINGS Bible Study Group  
 Mission & Outreach Team Meeting  
 (Conference Room)  
 Praise Band

7:30 PM

**Saturday, December 2**

10:00 – 12:00 NOON  
5:00 PM

**Children's Choir Practice (Sanctuary)**  
**Youth Christmas Progressive Dinner**

**SPECIAL JHBC ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Children's Choirs Practice Dates for Their Upcoming Christmas Musical**

Today - Sunday, November 27 - 3:00 – 5:00 PM (Bullock-Matthews Room)  
**Please arrive at 2:45 PM so we can start promptly at 3:00 PM**  
 Wednesday, November 30 – 6:00 – 7:30 PM (Sanctuary)  
 Saturday, December 3 – 10:00 AM – 12:00 Noon (Sanctuary)  
 Sunday, December 4 – 7:00 PM **Musical Performance**

**Today is the Deadline to Order Your Poinsettia** – It's that time again to order poinsettias in memory or in honor of a special person in your life. The order forms and box are located in the church hallways. *The poinsettias may be picked up after the 11 AM worship service on Sunday, December 25.*

**Tonight at 6:00 PM** we will prepare our sanctuary for the Advent season. We will begin with a time of fellowship in McDowell Hall followed by a short explanation of the meaning of the greens, the candles, the Chrismons, and the poinsettias. We will then decorate our sanctuary by Hanging the Greens and conclude the evening with the lighting of the candles and singing Silent Night. Please bring your favorite finger food and/or goodies to share with everyone at this time. Beverages will be furnished.

**CUOC Needs Food Items during this Christmas Season.**

**Baptist Men** will meet on **Monday, November 28 at 6:30 PM** in McDowell Hall. Richard Sistrunk, Church Administrator, will be our speaker for the evening.

**Address for Geneva Edwards** - Please send her a card or note this week. Her address is Golden Living Center, Room 15A, 2910 MacGregor Downs Road, Greenville, NC 27858. Her telephone number is 252-329-7725.

**College Student of the Week – Katlynn Premo.** She is the daughter of Dianne Premo. Her address is PO Box 5360, Gardner Webb University, Boiling Springs, NC 27017. Please send her a card this week.

**Higher Heights Correction** – **The date for the Meadow Lights outing is Friday, December 2.**

**City on a Hill Mission Donations for the month of November = \$780.00**

**Children's Ministry**

**Preschool Parents Night Out – Friday December 16** – Need to do some Christmas shopping for your child that's age 5 or younger? Our Nursery Committee is providing child care from 5:00-8:45 PM that night so you can get that done. Contact Belinda Bond for details.

**Youth Ministry**

**Youth Christmas Progressive Dinner** – December 3, beginning at 5:00 PM. The dinner will consist of visiting three families in our church, along with a Service of Lessons and Carols along the way. Each youth is encouraged to bring two non-perishable items of food for our Adopt-a-Family. Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board outside Bullock-Matthews.

**Youth Adopt-a-Family** – As part of our Mission Jonesboro outreach, our youth ministry has adopted a family from J. Glenn Edwards Elementary School for Christmas. The youth will be going Christmas shopping for this family on Friday December 9, meeting at the church at 5:00 PM. If you would like to contribute for this family, please see Rich for details.

**Mission and Outreach Team** will meet on Thursday, December 1 at 6:30 PM in the conference room.

**The North Carolina Treasure Chest Ministry Event** will be at the Lee County Community Arts Center on Steele Street on **Saturday, December 17 from 2:00 PM – 5:00 PM**. For more information contact Karen Wood at 919-718-6812.

**The Salvation Army in Lee County** has over 700 children in need of a joyous Christmas this year. Sunday School classes, church groups and individuals are encouraged to adopt a Christmas angel and make a difference in the life of a local child. Contact the Salvation Army at 718-1717 to learn more about this opportunity to share the joy of Christmas.

**BUDGET AND ATTENDANCE: November 20, 2011 (Week 12 of 52)**

|                                       |                     |                             |                       |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
| <b><u>General Fund</u></b>            |                     |                             |                       |
| Weekly Budgeted Needs                 | \$ 10,972.01        | YTD Budget Goal             | \$ 131,664.12         |
| T/O Received                          | \$ 6,514.00         | YTD T/O Received            | \$ 104,630.85         |
| Less Budget This Week                 | <b>(\$4,458.01)</b> | YTD Difference              | <b>\$ (27,033.27)</b> |
| Budget: \$570,544.47                  |                     |                             |                       |
| (\$570,544.47/52 weeks= \$10,972.01)  |                     | <b><u>TOTAL GIVING</u></b>  | \$ 7,139.00           |
|                                       |                     | (Last Week)                 |                       |
| <b><u>BAPT CHILDRENS HOME</u></b>     | \$ 375.00           | <b><u>ATTENDANCE</u></b>    |                       |
| <b><u>MISSIONS</u></b>                | \$ 120.00           | Sunday School               | 151 + 10              |
|                                       |                     | 9 AM Celebration Worship    | 18                    |
| <b><u>BUILDING FUND</u></b>           | \$ 130.00           | 11 AM Worship               | 215                   |
| Current Balance is <b>\$83,933.73</b> |                     | PM – Community Thanksgiving |                       |