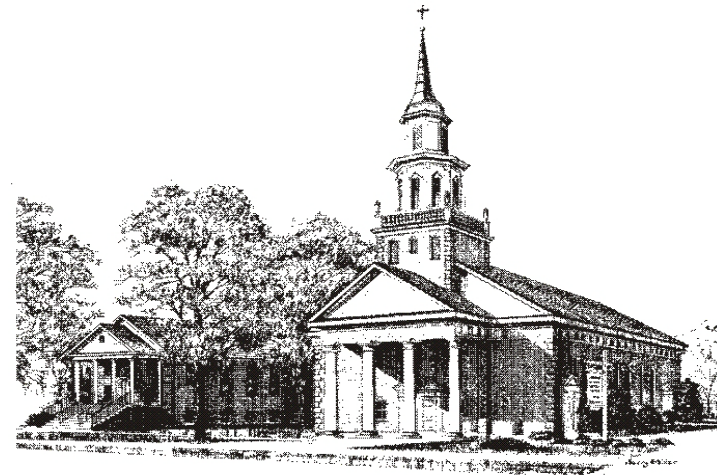


Welcome to  
**Jonesboro Heights Baptist Church**  
 Established 1869

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



**The Lord's Day, December 30, 2012**

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 (1<sup>st</sup> floor of the educational wing)  
 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:**

- 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, December 30, 2012  
 First Sunday after Christmas

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 Mary Upchurch

Greeting

Music for Meditation "My House is Full" Barry Cashion

*Unless the LORD builds the house,  
 the builders labor in vain.  
 Unless the LORD watches over the city,  
 the guards stand watch in vain.*

(Psalm 127:1, NIV®)

Words of Welcome and Introduction Mary Upchurch

Call to Worship "Down From His Glory" Sanctuary Choir

Invocation Jeff Roberts

*Hearing the Word*

Hymn 267 "I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day" Congregation

Children's Sermon Tommie Angel

Worship in Song Sanctuary Choir  
 "Rejoice, With Exceeding Great Joy"

Hymn 288 "We Three Kings" Congregation

Thanksgiving with Our 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 in Song "Mary Did You Know" Brad Brickhouse

Scripture and Sermon Jeff Roberts

Luke 2:15-24  
 "After Christmas. . ."

*Responding to the Word*

Hymn 262 "Away in a Manger" Congregation

The Church at Prayer Ronnie Byrd

*Sending Forth*

Charge and Benediction Ronnie Byrd

Scattering on Mission



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

- No Evening Service
- Wednesday Evening, 6:15 P.M. (McDowell Hall) - Covered Dish Family Night Supper

**UPCOMING JANUARY EVENTS**

*Sunday, January 6*

11:00 AM - Rev. David and Rev. Heather Webb,  
 City on a Hill Mission  
 6:30 PM - Church Business Meeting

*Monday, January 7*

7:00 PM - Deacons' Meeting

*Sunday, January 13*

11:00 AM - Rev. Richard Wood

*Sunday, January 20*

11:00 AM - Rev. Richard Wood

*Sunday, January 27*

***Baptist Men's Day***

11:00 AM - Ken Smith

**Annual Chili and Cake Bake-Off** for men, women, youth and children will be held on **Sunday, January 27, 2013** in McDowell Hall. Cake entries must be registered for judging by 5:30 PM. Chili entries must be registered for judging by 6:00 PM. Dinner will be at 6:30 PM. Everyone is invited to attend.

*Monday, January 28*

6:30 PM - Baptist Men (McDowell Hall)  
 Mr. Larry Wilson speaking on Mission Experiences  
 Chef - Norman Brickhouse  
 Sign up now to reserve your plate!

**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 THIS WEEK**

<b><u>SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30</u></b>	
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 (Sanctuary) (Broadcast live on WFJA 105.5 FM)
	Extended Session 1 – Sarah Griffin
	Extended Session 2 – Catherine Mitchell
12:00 – 12:15 PM	Church Library Open
	<b>No Evening Worship or Activities</b>
<b><u>MONDAY, DECEMBER 31</u></b>	
	Church Office is Open
<b><u>TUESDAY, JANUARY 1 – NEW YEAR'S DAY</u></b>	
	<b>Church Office Closed</b>
<b><u>WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 2</u></b>	
6:15 PM	Family Night Covered Dish Supper
	Informational Meeting for PassportKids, PassportChoices and Mission Trip to Belize (Chapel)
	<b>No Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal</b>
<b><u>THURSDAY, JANUARY 3</u></b>	
7:30 PM	Praise Band Practice (Chapel)

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**2012 Contributions** must be turned into the church office no later than midnight December 31 or postmarked by midnight December 31. Our preference would be that all 2012 contributions be turned in by 9:00 AM Monday morning, December 31.

**College Student of the Week is Hannah West** – Hannah is the daughter of Gordon and Jo West and attends Western Carolina University. Please send her a card this week at PO Box 1795, Cullowhee, NC 28723.

**MISSION OPPORTUNITIES**

**CBF Global Missions Offering as of December 23 = \$476.44.** Our goal at JHBC for CBF Global Missions Offering is \$1,500.

**City on a Hill Mission December Total of All Donations = \$1,329.44.**

**JHBC Benevolence Fund** – Requests for help continue to grow. You can make a difference in someone's life, just mark your envelope "JHBC Benevolence Fund".

**Lottie Moon Christmas Offering as of December 23 = \$2,036.35.** Our goal at Jonesboro Height Baptist Church for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering is \$5,700. Be His Heart, His Hands, His Voice!

**Mission Trip to India** is planned for **June 15 to June 26, 2013.** Team Member Information Sheets are available in the church office. **A deposit of \$500 is due to reserve your spot.** The trip is limited to 10 members.

**CHILDREN'S MINISTRY**

**PassportKids Sign-Up is available now** – This camp is for children in grades 3-6 and will be at Wingate University on July 8-11. **Registration and a \$60 deposit are due by March 29.** Sign-up sheets are available on the Family Ministry Bulletin Board outside Bullock-Matthews Room. An informational meeting will take place in the Chapel on January 2 following Family Night Supper.

**YOUTH MINISTRY**

**PassportChoices Sign-up is available now** – This camp is for youth in grades 6-8 (Middle School Students) and will be at Wingate University on July 7-12. **Registration and a \$75 deposit are due by March 28.** Sign-up sheets are available on the Family Ministry Bulletin Board outside Bullock-Matthews Room. An informational meeting will take place in the Chapel on January 2 following Family Night Supper.

**High School & College Mission Trip to Belize Sign-Up is available now** – This trip will be July 27-August 2 as we will be working with a church in Belize City conducting Vacation Bible School. Cost of the trip will be approximately \$1,100. **Registration and a \$100 deposit are due by January 30.** A sign-up sheet is on the Family Ministry Bulletin Board. An informational meeting will take place in the Chapel on January 2 following Family Night Supper.

**BUDGET AND ATTENDANCE: December 23, 2012 (Week 17 of 52)**

<b><u>General Fund</u></b>			
Weekly Budgeted Needs	\$ 10,985.26	YTD Budget Goal	\$ 186,749.42
T/O Received	\$ 24,734.80	YTD T/O Received	\$ 166,538.02
Over Budget This Week	\$ 13,749.54	YTD Difference	\$ (20,211.40)
Budget: \$571,233.48			
(\$571,233.48/52 weeks= \$10,985.26)		<b><u>TOTAL GIVING</u></b>	\$ 25,621.24
		(Last Week)	
<u>CBF Global Missions</u>	\$ 261.44	<b><u>ATTENDANCE</u></b>	
<u>City on a Hill Mission</u>	\$ 50.00	Sunday School	153 + 17
<u>Equipping for the Future</u>	\$ 25.00	11:00 AM Combined Worship	297
<u>Lottie Moon</u>	\$ 550.00	No Evening Worship	