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A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Church Family,

I had a conversation with some staff members the other day about their favorite Christmas movie. The title It's A Wonderful Life came up more than once. It's hard to say I like that one more or less than a movie like Elf because they're so different. The latter makes me laugh; the former makes me cry. Good tears, of course!

What moves us about George Bailey is that he spends his whole life making costly, unnoticed sacrifices. He lays down dreams of travel, a'dventure, even vocational calling, all to serve others—his brother, his parents, his town. Yet in the moment of crisis, when the bottom drops out and he wonders if his life has mattered at all, he feels only the weight of what he has lost. His sacrifices don't feel heroic; they feel like chains. When Clarence, the angel, shows him what the

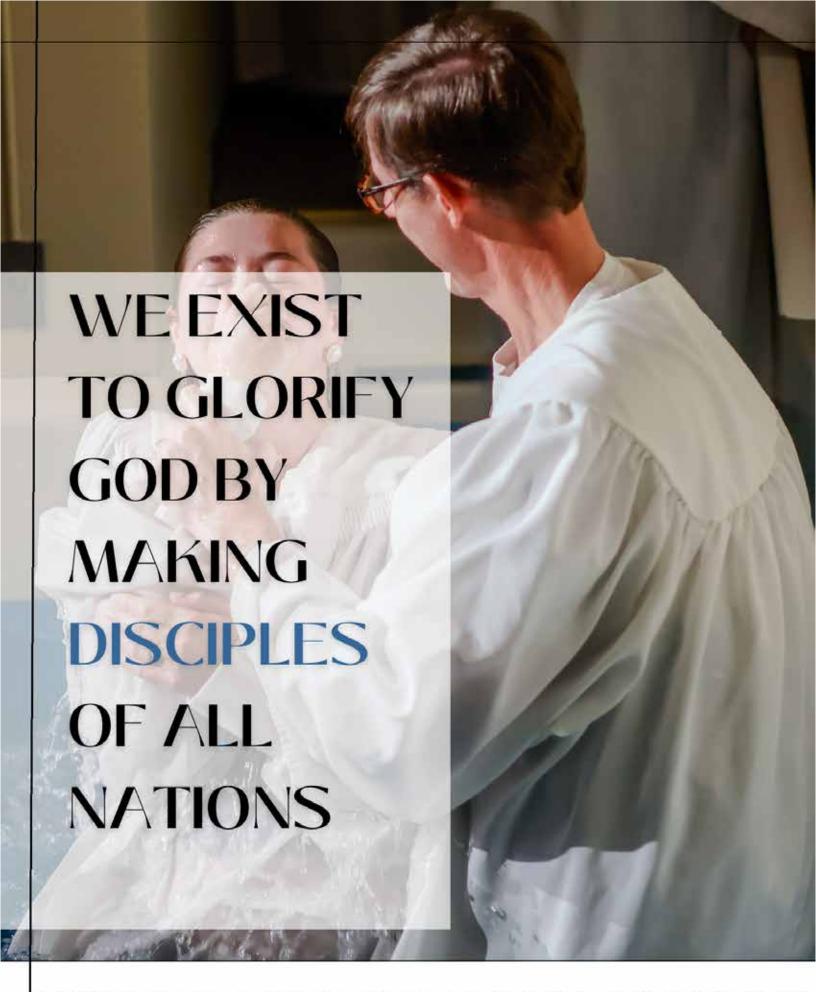


world would be like without him, the beauty suddenly becomes clear. His life, poured out in a thousand small ways, had actually brought flourishing to everyone around him.

That's why the movie stirs something spiritual in us. George's story whispers a deeper truth: real life—the wonderful kind—comes not from grasping, but giving. It echoes the very shape of the gospel itself. Jesus Christ is the true and better George Bailey, the One whose sacrifices didn't just bless a small town but redeemed a broken world. Yet unlike George, Jesus never grumbled about what He gave up. He never longed for another path. "For the joy set before him, he endured the cross" (Hebrews 12:2). His loss was our gain; His surrender, our salvation.

Every time we watch George Bailey come home to a house full of singing friends, we're tasting a faint glimmer of Christmas grace: the life that is given away is the life that becomes truly wonderful.

- Pastor Ben



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ADVENT

Begins November 30

What is Advent?

Advent has tied the First Advent (the coming of Christ in the manger at Bethlehem) to the Second Advent (the snatching away of the redeemed as seen in 1 Thess. 4:13-18 and the coming of Christ to the earth in Rev. 1:7, 19:11-16).

Hope-Peace-Joy-Love-Christ

When do we observe Advent?

It begins on the fourth Sunday before Christmas Day and ends on Christmas Eve.

Noted Scriptures:

- Isaiah 9:1-7
- Matthew 3:1-12
- Luke 1:26-38
- Luke 2:1-14
- Luke 2:15-20

What does an Advent Service entail?

One candle is lit during each service.

After the candle is lit, these noted scriptures are read to correspond with the candle that was lit.



Messiah, A Community Choral
Presentation, is created with the desire
to provide Coffee County and the
Wiregrass Area with a choral rendition of
Handel's Messiah.

Founded on principles of openness and community - everyone is welcome to enjoy as the community gathers together in the performance of this celebrated work.

December 7 5:00 PM | Sanctuary

While there is no admission fee for this event, donations to CCAA are appreciated.

You can make a donation by scanning the QR code below.





Lottie Moon Week of Prayer | November 30 - December 7 Lottie Moon Goal: \$110,000

CCAA Presents: Messiah, A Community Choral Presentation Sunday | December 7 | 5:00 PM | Sanctuary

> **Adult Choir Christmas Presentation** Sunday | December 14 | AM Services

Adult Sunday School Christmas Dinner Sunday | December 14 | 4:30 PM | Fellowship Hall *Register in office by December 5

Senior Adult Christmas Banquet Tuesday | December 16 | 6:00 PM | Fellowship Hall *Register in office by December 9

Wednesday @ FIRST: Christmas Meal Wednesday | December 17 | 4:15 PM | Fellowship Hall

Children's Choir Presentation Wednesday | December 17 | 6:00 PM | Sanctuary

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service | December 24 4:00 & 6:00 PM | Sanctuary No Childcare

Church Office Closed | December 24-26

Sunday Morning Services | December 28 Childcare will ONLY be offered during 8:15 AM service. Adult Sunday School classes may meet if they want, however, there is no childcare.

** Last day to have 2024 contributions postmarked is Wednesday, December 31.

No Meal or Activities | Wednesday | December 31

Church Office Closed | Thursday | January 1

Wednesdays @ FIRST Resume | Wednesday | January 14



December Menu

4:30 PM | Fellowship Hall \$7 Adults | \$4 Kids | Free Pre-K and Younger

12 - 3 - 25

Entrees: Fried Chicken or Meatloaf

Sides: Loaded Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Corn Casserole,

Bread, Dessert, Salad Bar, Drink

Kids Menu: Variety of Items and French Fries

12 - 10 - 25

Entrees: Fried Chicken or Spaghetti with Meat Sauce

Sides: Roasted Red Potatoes, Field Peas, Garlic Bread, Dessert, Salad Bar, Drink

Kids Menu: Variety of Items and French Fries



Wednesdays @ FIRST

Resume January 14, 2026

Fellowship Supper 4:30 PM | Fellowship Hall

Adults \$7 | Kids \$4 | 4 years old and under free

Bible Studies | 6:00 PM



- 7 (SUN) CCAA "Messiah" | 5:00 PM | Sanctuary
- **14 (SUN) -** Adult SS Christmas Dinner | 4:30 PM | Fellowship Hall
- 17 (WED) Family Christmas Meal | 4:15 PM |
 Fellowship Hall
 Children's Choir Program | 6:00 PM |
 Sanctuary
- **24 (WED) -** Christmas Eve Candlelight Service | 4:00 PM & 6:00 PM | Sanctuary
- 31 (WED) No Meal or Activities













FBCE Adult Sunday School Teachers'



DECEMBER 14, 2025 4:30 PM to 6:00 PM FELLOWSHIP HALL

> Please scan the QR code to register by December 5.



Senior Adult Christmas Banquet

Tuesday, December 16 | 6:00 PM FBCE Fellowship Hall

Guest Speaker: Dr. Travis Coleman, former pastor at Hillcrest Baptist Dinner Included

If interested in attending, please call Allison in the church office by Tuesday, December 9.

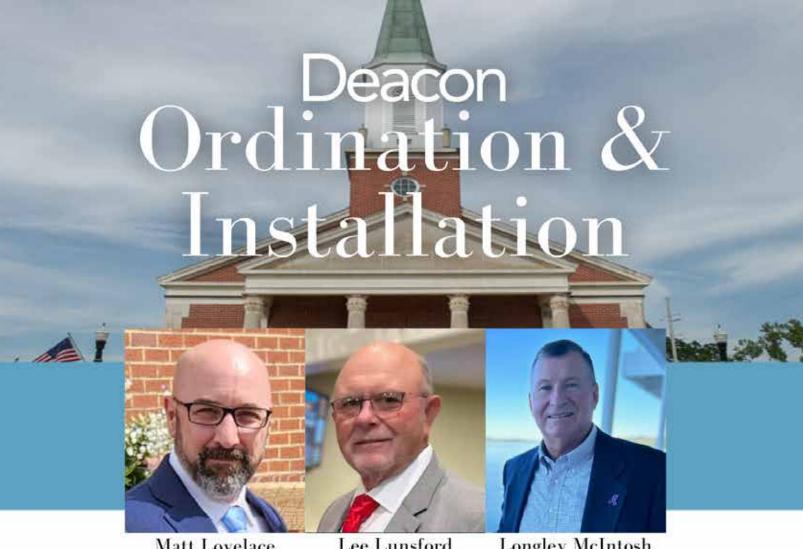
Senior Adult

Bible Study

Special Guest: Dr. Jim Cooley

January 12-14 | 9:00 AM | Fellowship Hall

If you would like to be a part of this Bible Study, please register in the church office by Wednesday, January 7.



Matt Lovelace

Lee Lunsford

Longley McIntosh

Sunday, January 11

Schedule:

3:00 PM | Deacons' Meeting | Fellowship Hall 4:00 PM | Laying On of Hands | Sanctuary Friends and Family are invited.

5:00 PM | Ordination & Installation Service | Sanctuary

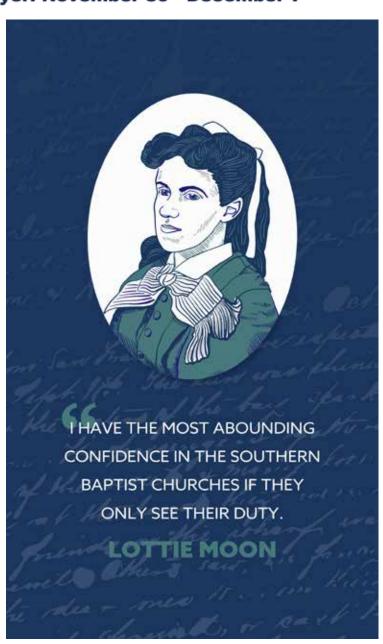
Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

International Missions Week of Prayer: November 30 - December 7

What is the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering?

Lottie Moon was sent as a Southern Baptist missionary to China from 1873 to 1912. She saw firsthand the world's greatest problem — LOSTNESS. Meeting so many people who had never heard the Gospel compelled her to write letters to American churches describing the need for a greater missionary presence.

She pleaded for increased prayer and financial support to send and sustain more missionaries. This challenge became known as the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.



024 GIFTS

3,577
MISSIONARIES
ON THE FIELD

2,409
CHURCHES
PLANTED

68,628 BAPTISMS

144,969 PROFESSED FAITH IN JESUS 84,430 NEW LEADERS

1.6 MILLION
HEARD THE GOSPEL
PRESENTATION



FBCE 2025 GOAL

\$110,000

How can I give?

First Baptist Church Enterprise will be collecting offerings for Lottie Moon until the end of December. You can give to this offering during Sunday



services or through
our online giving
options. You can also
scan the QR code to
give online.

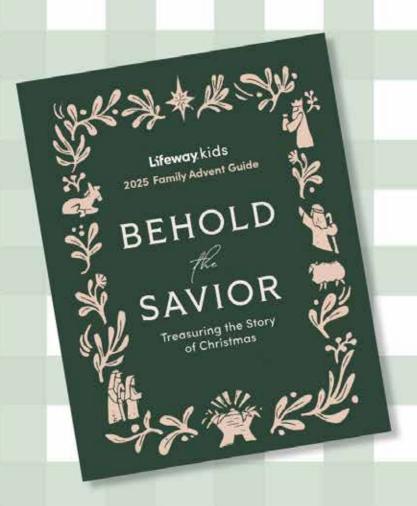


FBCE Children's Ministry

Christmas Family Devotions

Each year, we provide interactive devotion kits with all the trimmings for families to grow together with an emphasis on the reasons we celebrate.

Be sure to pick up your devotion from the Children's & Preschool Areas beginning Wednesday, December 3, while supplies last.

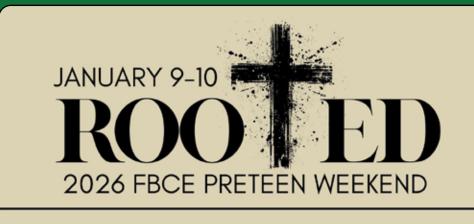


Christmas
Devotions
will be available
December 3.

Friday Night Event for Children



Annual Preteen Weekend @ FBCE



FOR STUDENTS IN 5TH & 6TH GRADES



REGISTER HERE COST: \$20

This exciting weekend just for our 5th and 6th graders has become a favorite annual event.

We come together at the church Friday night, head home, and then come back for a full day on Saturday.

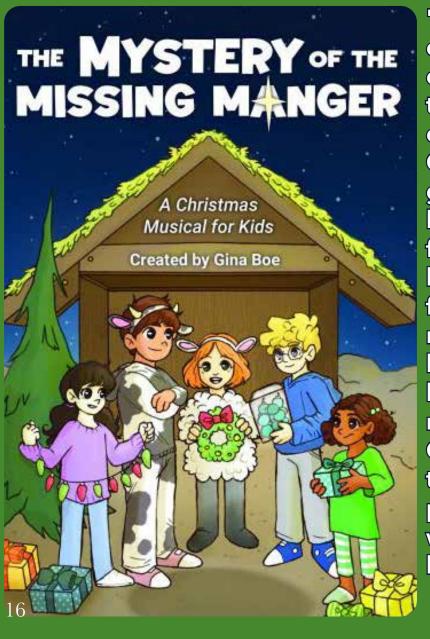
The weekend is spent building community, learning from God's Word, playing games, and spending time learning about how we become "rooted" in Christ.

Please register by using the QR code, or you may visit fbcenterprise.com/events.

Wednesday, December 17 FBCE Sanctuary

Following the evening's annual FBCE Christmas Meal in the Fellowship Hall, everyone is invited to the Sanctuary for our Preschool & Children's Musical Presentations.

Preschool Choir @ 6:00 PM. Children's Musical to Follow.



"Follow our intrepid and eclectically fun cast of characters as they come together to decorate the church in celebration of the Christmas season. They've got the Christmas tree, the lights and ornaments, festively wrapped presets... but wait! They can't seem to find the manger! Solving the mystery to find the manger becomes their obsession, but in the process, they are reminded what the story of Christmas is really all about... the fulfillment of God's promise to send a Savior who came to us as a baby born in a manger-Jesus!"



Service Opportunity for Students

Students whose school schedules allow are invited to serve our community on Friday, December 19. Projects will be available during the day as we partner with other area churches for a day of service to our community.

There is no cost for this event, but registration is required.

Adults may volunteer but MUST be register AND have completed a background check and Ministry Safe Training to participate.

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A CALL FOR STUDENTS TO COME TOGETHER AND SERVE THE "334"

DECEMBER 18-19, 2025

THURSDAY, December 18

Hillcrest Baptist Church 500 Alberta St, Enterprise, AL Dinner in Student Building @ 5:00 PM Worship in Sanctuary @ 6:00 PM

WORSHIP NIGHT IS FOR THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY. ALL AGES ARE WELCOME!

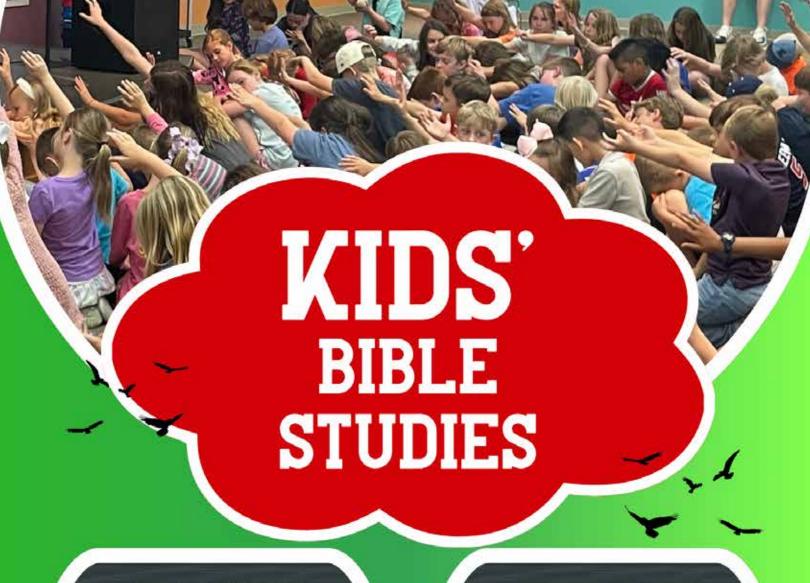
FRIDAY, December 19

Students and Adult Volunteers
Will Serve the Wiregrass
Community

Register here







SUNDAY MORNINGS

930 AM

DECEMBER

Bible Verse:

There is none like you, O Lord; you are great and your name is great in might.

Jeremiah 10:6

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

@ 600 PM

DECEMBER

Bible Verse:

A child will be born for us, a son will be given to us.

Isaiah 9:6

Join Our Bible Verse Challenge! Say Your Bible Verse for a Prize For More Information See Mrs. Cat

Children's Summer Camp Registration Deadline Approaching



Summer Camp Registration Deadline is

January 11

Camper spot not guaranteed until online registration is completed and non-refundable deposit is paid.

Centrikid is for Children in grades 2-6 for the 2025/2026 school year.



Summer Camp Registration Deadline is Canuary 116

Camper spot not guaranteed until online registration is completed and non-refundable deposit is paid.

Camp Victory is for children 7 yrs old through completed 6th grade at the time of camp.



Summer Camp Deadline is

Camper spot not guaranteed until online registration is completed and non-refundable deposit is paid.

MFuge is for campers in grades 7-12 for the 2025/2026 school year.

Now Accepting Applications for Summer Camp Chaperones

Each summer, FBCE hosts several trips and events that require adults who are willing and able to invest in the lives of our children and students. Chaperoning one of these trips requires an investment of time, money, loss of sleep, and preparation, but the reward of pouring into the lives of our next generation is immeasurable.

Would you prayerfully consider chaperoning one of these events? If you would like more information, reach out to one of our age-group ministers about specific information and requirements.

Preteen Weekend (Grades 5 & 6)

January 9-11: FBCE Chaperone Cost: TBD

Catherine Sims: catherine@fbcenterprise.com

Zach Clark: zach@fbcenterprise.com

MFuge Camp (Grades 7-12)

June 8-13: Mobile, AL Chaperone Cost: TBD

Marc Edge: medge@fbcenterprise.com Zach Clark: zach@fbcenterprise.com

CentriKid Camp (Grades 2-6)

Chaperone Cost: TBD

Catherine Sims: catherine@fbcenterprise.com 20

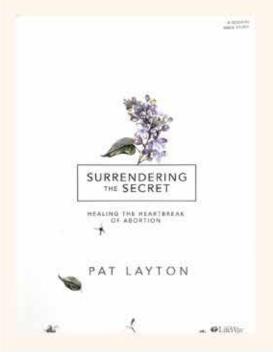
June 22-26: Pulaski, MS

Submit an application for consideration using the QR code below or at fbcenterprise.com/events.



Surrendering the Secret

HEALING THE HEARTBREAK OF ABORTION



BEGINS JANUARY 20, 2026 AT THE HOME OF CELIA ECHOLS TUESDAYS 6:30-8:30 PM

If you've experienced the pain of having an abortion, you are not alone. 1 in 4 women hide the secret of abortion deep in their hearts. If you are caught in the destructive shadows of fear, secrecy, and shame, this study is just for you. Come find freedom at the foot of the cross.

To register, scan the QR code. We appreciate the sensitivity of this topic and value your privacy, so registration for this study is anonymous.



2026 E RIPS MUSSIONERIPS

MARCH 20 - 27

STUDENT SPRING BREAK
HONDURAS
(HONDURAS BAPTIST DENTAL
MISSION)
SAN PEDRO SULA, HONDURAS

JUNE 24 - JULY 1

COLLEGE-AGED GERMANY TRIP
UNTERNATIONAL MISSION
BOARD)
BERLIN, GERMANY

SEPTEMBER

MEDICAL AND EVANGELISTIC
HONDURAS TRIP
(HONDURAS BAPTIST DENTAL
MISSION)
SAN PEDRO SULA, HONDURAS

NOVEMBER 5 - NOVEMBER 14

MISSIONARY KID CARE TRIP
(CRU)

BANGKOK, THAILAND

For questions, details or ways to give to FBCE specific trips, see Harrison Smith cell: (919) 951-4463 or email: harrison@fbcenterprise.com.

SECURITY TEAM

If you are interesting in or have a background in security and would like to be part of the FBCE Security Team?

Join us for an Interest Meeting January 21, 2026 | 7:15 PM



July 6 - 10 | Shocco Springs

Price: \$330 (Partial scholarships available) 3 Camps: Grades 2-5 (Mix) Grade 6 (Mix6) Grades 7-12 (Remix)

Employee SPOTLIGHT



Matthew 6:25-34 has been a passage that I've been meditating on recently.

He is a good Father who provides exactly what we need and I do not have to be anxious about tomorrow or what it may bring.

Meet Rachel Smith!

Rachel is our NextGen Girls Discipleship Director.

Tell us a little about yourself and family

I started following Jesus when I was about fourteen and I have learned so much about God's kindness since! I am married to Bobby Smith - we met at FBCE when he was an intern and I was working in the front office. This is my second time working at FBCE! After I graduated from Auburn University (War Eagle!) in 2019, I moved to Enterprise to start working at FBCE as a ministry assistant. I am currently finishing up a Master of Arts in Biblical Counseling from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary. I felt led to study biblical counseling because I want to care well for those I am discipling. God has taught me so much during my time in seminary!

Coke or Sweet Tea?

Good coffee

What's your go-to comfort food?

Warm chocolate chip cookie

What could we find you doing outside of work?

I enjoy reading, going on walks with Bobby, drinking good coffee, and occasionally baking.

What do you love most about working at FBCE?

The people! When Bobby and I lived in North Carolina, we really missed our FBCE family. We're so thankful to be back!

Best advice to give someone newly walking with Christ?

Ask someone older or further along in their walk with Christ to disciple you. They can teach you how to pray, read your Bible, fast, serve the church and share your faith. Find community in your church and learn to love others well. The church can be hard to love sometimes, but learning to love the church helps us to know how much Christ loves the church, His bride.

MISSIONARY SPOTLIGHT



Bio:

Stuart flies the helicopter with Ethnos360 Aviation to support church-planting missionaries who live in these indigenous communities throughout Papua New Guinea (PNG), many of which are not accessible except by air.

Few countries can match the cultural diversity of PNG, whose 7 million people speak more than 800 languages, and live mostly in rural, indigenous communities.

Prayer Requests:

Discipleship and church planting among the Uriay people group. Literacy development among the Kuyu, Kovol, & Lembena people groups. Helicopter pilot training for new pilots. Provisions for the Sims family as they make plans for returning to America in June of 2026.

Stay Connected through WhatsApp:

Stuart: (910) 489-8897 Brynn: (912) 401-1003

December 2025

Saturday	9		13	20	27	
Friday	5:30 PM - Children's Mission Night, HUB		12	19	26 Church Office Closed	
Thursday	8:30 AM - Intercessor Prayer Time, B-110 1:00 PM - Quilting Ministry, A-105 4:00 PM - K3-K4 Ballet, Baptist Center Back 6:30 PM - Enterprise Christmas Parade	Goal \$110,000	8:30 AM - Intercessor Prayer Time, B-110 1:00 PM - Quilting Ministry, A-105 4:00 PM - K3-K4 Ballet, Baptist Center Back	8:30 AM - Intercessor Prayer Time, B-110 1:00 PM - Quilting Ministry, A-105 4:00 PM - K3-K4 Ballet, Baptist Center Back	25 Church Office Closed Church Office	
Wednesday	Wednesdays @ FIRST S 6:30 AM - 4:00 FM - Missions Week: Prayer Trail, Missions Hall 1:30 PM - 5r Adult Ladies Game Time, A-104 6:00 PM - Kim Skinner Speaking, A-320 7:15 PM - Deacon Executive Committee Meeting, A-320	International Week of Prayer:	9 Wednesdays @ FIRST 10 1:00 PM - Sr. Adult Ladies Game Time, A-104 6:00 PM - Discover FBC, Library	1:00 PM - Sr. Adult Ladies Game Time, A-104 4:30 PM - Christmas Family Meal, FH 6:00 PM - Children's Choir Program, Sanctuary	24 4:00 PM Candlelight Service/Lord's Supper 6:00 PM Candlelight Service/Lord's Supper Church Office Closed No Meal or Activites 31 1:00 PM - Sr. Adult Ladies Game Time, A-104	
Tuesday	6:00 AM - 4:00 PM - Missions 2 Week: Prayer Trail, Missions Hall 11:15 AM - Lunch wa Church Planter/Missionary, FH 3:00 PM - K3-K4 Ballet, Baptist Center Back Center Back Grade Ballet, Baptist Center Back 5:00 DM - 2nd-4th Grade Ballet, Baptist Center Back 5:00 DM - 2nd-4th Grade Ballet,	Lottie Moon Internat	3:00 PM - K3-K4 Ballet, Baptist Center Back 4:00 PM - K5-1st Grade Ballet, Baptist Center Back 5:00 PM - 2nd-4th Grade Ballet, Baptist Center Back 11:30 AM - Men's Monthly Luncheon, McLin's 6:30 PM - Men of Valor, New Brockton Farm Center	3:00 PM - K3-K4 Ballet, 16 Baptist Center Back 4:00 PM - K5-1st Grade Ballet, Baptist Center Back 5:00 PM - 2nd-4th Grade Ballet, Baptist Center Back 5:30 PM - Mentoring Matters, Off Campus 6:00 PM - Senior Adult Christmas Banquet, FH	30	
Monday	6:00 AM - 4:00 PM - Missions All Week: Prayer Trail, Missions Hall 10:00 AM - Community Bible Study, Chapel 4:00 PM - Advanced 3rd-5th 4:00 PM - Advanced 3rd-5th 6:30 PM - Boy Scouts, Scout Hut 6:30 PM - Cub Scouts, Baptist Center		10:00 AM - Community Bible Study, Chapel 7:00 AM - Men's Prayer Trime, Library 1:30 PM - WMU Meeting, Library 4:00 PM - Advanced 3rd-5th Grade Ballet, Baptist Center Back 6:30 PM - Boy Scouts, Scout Hut	15 10:00 AM - Community Bible Study, Chapel 4:00 PM - Advanced 3rd- 5th Grade Ballet, Baptist Center Back 6:30 PM - Boy Scouts, Scout Hut	22	
Sunday	Advent (Candle of Hope) 30		Advent (Candle of Peace) 7 12:00 PM - Deacon Luncheon, FH 1:00 PM - Deacon Examination, FH 1:45 PM - Deacon Meeting, FH 5:00 PM - CCAA	Advent (Candle of Joy) 14 AM Services - Adult Choir Christmas Presentation 12:00 PM - Discover FBC, Library 4:30 PM - Adult SS Teacher Christmas Dinner, FH	Advent (Candle of Love) 21	25





















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Sunday Service Times: 8:15 AM & 10:45 AM

Wednesdays @ FIRST 4:30 PM | Fellowship Supper 6:00 PM | Children's Activities, Student Worship, Adult Bible Studies