

It was the most wonderful time of the year!

By: Judy Mitzel

We got into the festive mood by starting with decorating the church. This is always so much fun as I believe we have around 15 trees along with wreaths, large and small decor. Our fellowship room had 10 tables and we added a few more. A special thank you to everyone that came out to help. Our church has been such a delight to enjoy this year. Our fellowship hall was all candy canes, and this year our family life center was gingerbread decor what a joy it has been to have such festive surroundings. Our Christmas lunch after the Cantata held around 75 or more people as we enjoyed the props for pictures with family and friends. This year we joined the Parade of Lights with the City of Brady. Thank you to Karen and Jason for letting us fill that trailer with 4,000 lights, and they drove us through the parade route holding a trailer full of adults and children wearing lights from head to toe. Amy, Robert, Greg and Shelly walked along beside us handing out lighted wands as our theme was "Light up for Jesus" and the sign on the trailer said, "Shine for Jesus". Winding up the month was our Christmas Eve service once again Karen and the music team did an amazing performance along with Steve and Kani Darden providing the provisions for the "Lords Supper". How appropriate to bring the holidays to a close with the celebration in remembrance of our Lord and Savior.

Your hostess team is looking forward to 2026 with a servants heart in conjunction with everyone at First Baptist Church of Brady.

Proverbs 3: 5-6 "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him and he will make your paths straight."



Children's Ministry

By: Marsha Gainer

This Christmas was a wonderful blessing. We had over 30 children attend Camp Christmas! The Bible story focused on making Jesus the center of attention on Christmas Day! We also celebrated Khalilia's birthday which made it even more fun! The Children are learning that helping and serving others is very important. They made 50 snack bags for Royal Oaks and Brady West residents! The children shouted with glee as they rode on the First Baptist float in the Christmas parade! Thanks Judy, Jason, and Karen. One of highlights of this season was the amazing performance the Children's Choir gave to the church. Their voices sounded as sweet as angels! Thanks so much Shelly for your leadership! Caroling was so much fun and Jameson gave a beautiful solo performance for Claudette. God's greatest gift is Jesus, and right after that our precious children!



Love Made Official
By: Valerie Gonzalez

With grateful hearts, we are overjoyed to share wonderful news. Our beloved daughter, Samarah Bree, has officially been adopted by my husband, William Gonzalez. This moment marks a beautiful new chapter for our family. We would like to extend our deepest gratitude to our dear friend, Greg Torres, what began as a simple dinner conversation turned it into a life-changing blessing.

We are also incredibly thankful for everyone who joined us on this special day to celebrate with us. Your presence, prayers, and support meant more than words can express.

It is with joy that we now announce her full name: Samarah Bree Gonzalez.
All glory to God for His perfect timing and for placing such wonderful people in our lives.



Note from Marsha Gainer:

If anyone is interested in working one Sunday morning during Sunday School in the nursery please contact me! We need to establish a temporary rotation until the personnel committee can discuss hiring a worker. If no children come then you are free to go to class. Thank you for considering this need.

December Food Pantry Ministry



The Food Pantry Ministry is a wonderful blessing for our community. It provides not just essential groceries, but also comfort, and support to families and individuals in need. Through this ministry, we are able to share God’s love in a practical and meaningful way, reaching those who may be struggling and showing them they are not alone.

- 57 Children
70 Adults over 60
199 Total People Served
- 91 Adult Boxes
25 Children’s Boxes
4,470 Total Pounds of Food Distributed

Wednesday Night Youth Bible Study
By: Valerie Gonzalez



We can proudly say that our Youth Bible Study attendance has officially doubled! Our youth are already looking forward to January 7, 2026—our first day back from “winter break.” They even asked for materials they can study and write in, mentioning they wanted a little “homework.” Please continue to keep us in your prayers; our youth are the future.



We are working to refill the children’s area of the church with toys, equipment and various supplies. We have created an Amazon wish list of suggested items needed. If you would like to help contribute, feel free to browse the list to give you ideas of what’s needed. Also, if you have any gently used items you would like to donate, let us know!
-Shelly Torres

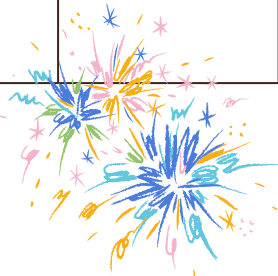


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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Oralia Barrera	2	3
04	05	06	07 Kay Holloway	08	09	10 Post Christmas Work Day 10am- Noon
11 Pastor Search Committee & Deacons Meeting	12	13	14 Janis Groves	15	16	17
18	19	20	21 Pat Matula	22 Marsha Gainer	23 Ashlee Shaw	24
25	26	27	28 McKenna Brandenberger Albert Pearson	29	30	31



January Radio Spots
On KNEL radio, 7:45AM
Weekday Mornings

5th-9th Joyce Scott
12th- 16th Judy Mitzel
19th- 23rd Jeanagayle Behrens
26th- 30th Janice Groves

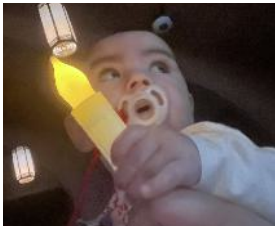
Weekly Ministries

Sunday: Sunday School at 9:45AM, Worship
at 11:00AM

Tuesday & Thursday: Walmart Pickup for
Food Pantry 10AM

Wednesday: Bible Study, Kids Club, Youth
Group and Meal for all at 6pm at Family
Life Center

Christmas Candle Light
Service 2025



The battery-operated candles were safe and gave off a beautiful, gentle glow.



Can't make it to
Sunday Service ?
No Problem,
Tune in Online



Scan to access our YouTube Channel

January Prayer List

2026

- Teresa Gonzalez
- Britton and McKenna Forney
- Johnstone & Irene Magomana
- Our members in care facilities and our home bound members
- The Youth of Brady
- Flood victims and relief workers
- Rhonda Aguirre
- Oralía and Pete Barrera
- Holden Bedwell
- Mike and Beverly Bigby and Stephanie Pyle
- The Fish Family
- Bruce Van Houten
- Cristobal Castillo
- Frieda Chew
- Sherry Cox
- Linda Flint
- Darlene Friar
- Brittney Fry
- Holly Groves
- Roy and Janet Guthrie
- Cathy Holloway
- Janabeth and Charles Hanson
- Curtis and Genna Jennings
- Fankie and Mary Leamons
- Janie Lowery
- Christie Luna
- Janie & Wendy Lowery
- James Mallow
- Glenda and Virgil Middleton
- Gary and Judy Mitzel
- Kash Nelson
- Lois Patton
- Victor and Carmen Ramirez
- Carole Ramsey
- James and Norma Ridout
- Wesley Roberts
- Joyce Scott
- Rhoda Shannon
- Steve Shelton
- Avanell and David Siler
- Ashley Simmons
- Wendy Smith
- Jake Trevino
- Harold Underwood
- Bev Waisner
- Linda Wall
- Bobbie Williams
- Debbie Winkle
- Claudette Young

- In military:*
- Jon Bradshaw
 - Cooper Faulkner
 - C.J. Gonzalez
 - Jennifer McAnally
 - Brandon Pfannenstiel
 - Christian Pittman
 - Jace Telford
 - Jonathan Torres
 - Ricky Williams, Jr.
- Please pray for the families of Rita Nichols, Bobby Williams, Bobbie Turner, Melanie Groves, and Perry Boggs.

Happy New Year

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“Commit to the Lord whatever you do, and he will establish your plans.”

Proverbs 16:3 (NIV)

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