

ATTENDANCE RECORDS

Dec. 11 Dec. 18

Local Bible Study Enr.	478	479
Sunday Bible Study Att.	244	223
Adults	141	131
Youth	32	23
Children/Preteen	23	21
Preschool	36	36
Nursing Home Residents	12	12
Morning Worship Service		
Traditional	193	--
The Gathering	105	--
Joint Worship	--	277
Extended Session	32	32
Children's Church	21	--

The Visual Bible

Available for check out through the church library is "The Visual Bible." This four-video set is a dramatization using the actual scriptures. . . word for word from the New International Version.

EXTENDED SESSION WORKERS

December 25

Joint Service

Connie Gotcher	June Strange
Mary Buel	Gwen Campbell
Barbara Jenkins	Susan & Tim Runnels
Mark, Carolyn & Taylor Welch	
Sandra Lake	

January 1

Traditional Service

Heather Koenig	Aimee Sapp
Cindy Waller	Laurie Appleton
Hannah Stevens	

The Gathering

Trina Krausse	Judy Barr
Edward Trapani	Miranda Perez
Mike & Josiah Keas	Heather Trotter
Austin Hodges	

USHERS

Sunday, December 25

Rolfe, Lake, J. Shelton, Don Pilliod, Freeman

CHURCH STAFF

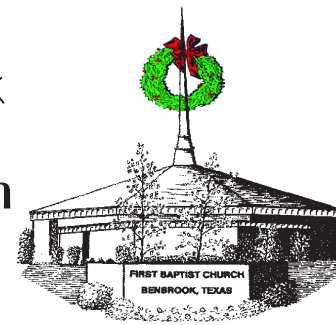
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... Loving Others
... Serving Both

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Merry Christmas
from your church staff!

*May the promise, the hope, and
the peace of Christ's love
fill your heart this Christmas.*

Todd Pylant

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Shannon Pannell

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By Baptism:

Mrs. Fabiola McCarthy, Terrence, and Fabi

FINANCIAL NEWS

	<u>Dec. 11</u>	<u>Dec. 18</u>
Budget Offerings	13,970.69	16,132.00
Designated Off.	4,181.50	5,604.00
Weekly Budget		\$14,501.03
Future Seed Pledges		\$405,600.00
Future Seed Received to Date		\$101,630.05

COMMITTEE TRAINING FOR ALL 2012 COMMITTEE MEMBERS

January 15, 2012

3:30-4:30 p.m.

Meet in Adult II S.S. Department
(In Education Building above Adult V)

Find out your responsibilities and
meet other committee members.

LADIES BOOK REVIEW

Thursday, January 12

7:00 p.m.

At the home of Jeaneta Wallace

Heaven Is for Real:

*A Little Boy's Astounding Story
of His Trip to Heaven and Back*
by Todd Burpo and Lynn Vincent

The Pastor's Pen

In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration when Quirinius was governor of Syria. And all went to be registered, each to his own town. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the town of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, to be registered with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. And while they were there, the time came for her to give birth. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

And in the same region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with fear. And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of a great joy that will be for all the people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!"

When the angels went away from them into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go over to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has made known to us." And they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby lying in a manger. And when they saw it, they made known the saying that had been told them concerning this child. And all who heard it wondered at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured up all these things, pondering them in her heart. And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

Please join us on Sunday morning at 11 AM as we join the shepherds in glorifying God for all we have heard and seen.

In Christ - *Todd*

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED FOR HOLIDAYS

The church office will be closed the week of Dec. 26 - Jan. 2 for the Christmas and New Year's holidays.

End of Year Contributions

If you would like credit for any remaining 2011 contributions, they need to be turned in to the church office or placed in Sunday's offering by Dec. 25th. They may also be received in the mail if postmarked by Dec. 30th.

APPLES OF GOLD

Have you wished for an opportunity to share the wisdom and experiences of mature Christian women? If so, you are invited to join the Apples of Gold nurturing program where you will meet with seasoned women and grow in your love for God, your family and others. The Women's Ministry will host its third Apples of Gold each Thursday Feb. 9 thru March 29 with a Celebration lunch on April 1st. Please contact Martha Kegley at 817-249-7510 or by email at mfkegley@pobox.com if you are interested. You can also learn more about this opportunity at ApplesofGold.org.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Saturday, December 24

6:00 p.m.



DISCOVERY CLASSES Sunday, Jan. 22; 3-5:00 p.m.

Belong -

Discovering Church Membership

Find out how to become a member of FBC, what does it mean to be a member, and what is expected of church members. *For: Prospective members and recent new members.*

Grow -

Discovering the Christian Journey

Find out how to develop in your day-to-day spiritual walk. *For: All FBC Members*

Serve -

Discovering Your Place in Ministry

Explore your gifts, passions, strengths and how they can be used in ministry. *For: All FBC Members*

Pre-registration is required. Participants will complete an online gift inventory prior to the class.

To enroll in one of the classes, contact Susan in the office. Classes will meet in Adult II Sunday School Department.

LADIES NIGHT OUT

Monday, January 9th

7-9:00 p.m.; Theme - Soup

At the home of Barbara Jenkins