

## IN SERVICE

**December 25**

### Extended Teaching

#### Coordinator(s)

Melanie Ford

**10:40 a.m.**

Donna English

Delores Metcalf

Connie Slater

Kristy Foster

April Howard

Kristi Morris

Renee Morgan

Amanda Abell

Scott Cooke

**9:35 Deacons**

(1) Carroll Stine

(6) Chris Ward

**11:00 Deacons**

(1) Les Hogue

(3) Scott Hatfield

(4) Bill Hughes

(5) Don Wiley

(6) Ralph Clark

#### Elmcroft

Sandy McCoy

#### Week of

**December 25**

#### Connections

Scott Christmas

#### Congregational Care

Don Wiley

## PLEASE NOTE

### WOMEN'S MINISTRY

#### Weekly Wed. Bible

#### Study

6:00-7:30 p.m.,

Fireside Room

Resumes January 11

#### "Pursued" Retreat

April 20-22, 2017,

Wooded Glen Retreat &

Conference Center,

Henry Co., IN. Cost \$250;

\$25 non-refundable deposit

due now.

Contact Connie Slater at

744-7248 for more

information.

### DIRECTORY APP NOW AVAILABLE

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[chall@fbcmw.org](mailto:chall@fbcmw.org) to

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family access code.

# THE FIRST EDITION

DECEMBER 20, 2016

## CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

**Thursday, December 22** - Church Office and CLC closes at Noon

**Friday, December 23** - Church Office/CLC closed

**Saturday, December 24** - Christmas Eve Services - Sanctuary (no childcare) 4:30/6:00 p.m.

**Sunday, December 25** - Christmas Day Services - Sanctuary 9:35/11:00 a.m.  
(no Sunday school/Children's services or childcare)

**Monday, December 26** - Church Office and CLC closed

**Friday, December 30** - Church office/CLC closes at Noon

**Saturday, December 31** - CLC closes at 11:00 a.m.

**Sunday, January 1** - New Year's Day Schedule - 9:35/11:00 a.m. Worship services only  
(no Sunday school/Children's services or childcare)

**Monday, January 2** - Church Office and CLC closed

**Wednesday, January 4** - Regular Wednesday activities resume

### CHRISTMAS EVE CHOIR

Come celebrate the birth of Christ with the choir on Christmas Eve! If you have been a part of any church choir in the past, a former member of FBC choir, or would just like to be a part of our Christmas Eve choir, we welcome you! FBC will host two Christmas Eve services this year; at 4:30 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. in our Sanctuary. Join us for one or both services. Songs will be familiar to you and **only one rehearsal will take place on Wednesday, December 21 at 7:00 p.m.**

## YEAR-END CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTION INFORMATION

We hope the following information will be helpful to you as you consider the most appropriate way to make year-end charitable contribution gifts to First Baptist Church. Your 2016 year-end gift can reduce your income taxes while providing generous support to the various ministries of the church.

Gifts by Check or Cash must be given to First Baptist Church on or before December 31, 2016. If mailed to First Baptist Church, you need to ensure the mailing envelope is postmarked by the U.S. Post Office on or before December 31. The date written on your check has no bearing on inclusion with your 2016 contributions.

Gifts of Stock: You can avoid paying capital gains taxes on the increase in value of the stock sold. You will receive an income tax deduction for the full fair market value of the stock at the date of the gift. Consult with your tax advisor and/or your stock broker.

Gifts from Retirement and Estate Plans such as life insurance, charitable remainder trusts, annuities, charitable lead trusts, etc. can offer significant tax advantages to the donor. Please consult with your tax professional about this type of gift.

Acknowledgement of your 2016 giving contributions available January 2017.

DO NOT file your 2016 income tax return until you have received the written acknowledgement of your contributions from the church. The IRS may not allow some of your contributions if you file your tax return before receiving a written acknowledgement of your total contributions to the church.

Thank you for making the many ministries of our church possible in 2016. You are making an eternal difference!

## LOTTIE MOON

Your gifts to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering share the gospel in many ways. Often they can distribute Bibles and witness openly. Sometimes the gospel is translated through electronic devices and DVD. Bible stories are also provided in sign language for deaf people. Your gifts provide medical supplies, refugee assistance, job training and flights in the most remote areas to reach the lost people groups. Give generously. One hundred percent of your gifts support the missionaries and their ministries around the WORLD!

**FBC GOAL - \$25,000    GIVEN TO DATE - \$20,601.33    NATIONAL GOAL - \$155 Million**



## YOUTH MINISTRY

### WINTER JAM 2017 TOUR SPECTACULAR

Saturday night, January 7 at Freedom Hall in Louisville. This is Christian

music's largest annual tour. There will be 10 Christian bands playing for only \$10! Students will need to bring \$10 to pay at the door. We will offer transportation for this event. Sign up for transportation in the youth room or by contacting Jason Johnson. Meet in our CLC at 4:00 p.m. Dress warm. We will have to wait outside for an hour before the doors open. Bands performing will be: David Crowder, Britt Nicole, Tenth Avenue North, Andy Mineo, Colton Dixon, Thousand Foot Crutch, Newsong and a few others. Guest speaker will be Tony Nolan. This event is for middle and high school students.

### W.O.W. 2017

The youth will begin the new year with a winter W.O.W. kick off service Wednesday night, January 4 at 6:15.

### SUMMER CAMP CEDARMORE June 26 - 30

Mark your calendar! Summer camp will be June 26-30 at Cedarmore for middle and high school students. If you would like to register your student, you may do so by making a \$75 deposit by February 8. Limited scholarships are available. For more camp information, contact Jason Johnson.

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

### CENTRI-KID SUMMER CAMP

**Grades 3-5 completed, July 10-14, 2017**

Campbellsville University, \$250 per child; **\$50 deposit due February 5.**

Making the most out of every moment. Digging into God's word. Sharing Adventure. Soul stirring worship. Tying every activity back to scripture. Discipleship at its best. Your child will not want to miss a minute. Camp would make a great Christmas gift from grandparents or from anyone.



*Eddie  
Duvall, Jr.*

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WEEKLY SCHEDULE

**Sunday - December 25**

7:00 - 8:00 Prayer Time - C205  
8:15 No Morning Worship/No childcare  
9:00 - 11:00 No Library open  
9:35 No Bible Study - all ages  
9:35 Morning Worship  
10:45 Women Pray - FSR  
10:45 No Sunday School Too (B- PS2)  
No Sproutlets  
(Ages 3-5 by Aug. 1, 2016)  
No First Kids Live (Grades 1-5)  
11:00 No Bible Study - all ages  
11:00 Morning Worship

**Monday - December 26**

Church Office/CLC closed

**Tuesday - December 27**

5:30 Aerobics - CLC  
6:30 No Orchestra Rehearsal

**Wednesday - December 28**

No Prayer Meeting/Bible Study/Activities

**Thursday December 29**

10:00 No Grace Notes - Res. Sept. 7, 2017  
5:30 Aerobics

**Friday - December 30**

12:00 Church office/CLC closes

**Saturday - December 31**

7:00 Men's Bible Study - Romans Hall  
11:00 CLC closes



The Church Staff would like to wish everyone a **Merry Christmas** and a safe and blessed **New Year**.

WINTER WEATHER POLICY

Our closing policy during inclement weather is as follows:

**Sundays** – Our goal is to hold services even when the weather is bad, except for unusual weather conditions such as ice. If necessary, we may alter the Sunday morning schedule to allow for one Bible study hour and one worship hour; or for one worship hour only. Any schedule change will be publicized through local television stations, our radio station WFBR 95.3 FM, our church Facebook page, website, and email lists.

**Weekdays** – When Bullitt County schools are closed due to inclement weather, the church office and CLC will open at 10:00 a.m.

**Wednesdays** – When Bullitt County schools are closed due to inclement weather, there will be no Wednesday evening activities, including prayer meeting.



OPPORTUNITIES

**AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE**

Thursday, January 12, 12:30-5:30 p.m., Romans Hall

Schedule an appointment online at <https://american.redcross.org>. Start the year right: give the gift of life. The need is constant. The gratification is instant.



**PERFORMING ARTS CENTER**

Now enrolling for the Winter Semester. Classes begin Monday, January 9. Contact Carolyn Saunders at 538-0688 for details.



**MEN'S BIBLE STUDIES**

Every Saturday 7:00 a.m., Romans Hall. Contact Tony Stemle at 902-0249 for more information.



Wednesday Bible Study, Resumes January 11, 7:15 p.m., Fellowship Hall. Contact Brandon Howard 299-2530 or Chris Ward 777-9504 for more information.

**BIBLE READING CHALLENGE!**

A new year is coming-make 2017 the year (or another year) you read the Bible through. Annual Bible reading guides are available in the Vestibule, Welcome Center, and CLC. You can also download the YouVersion app for your cell phone or mobile device. Choose your preferred version of scripture and a one-year Bible reading plan—several are available with the app. Make that commitment and pick up a reading guide today!



REMEMBER IN PRAYER

**Updated Tuesday, Dec. 20**

**Suburban:** Jackie Sanders  
**Oaklawn Rehab:** Wanetta Childers  
**Glen Ridge Rehab:** Betty Hahn  
**Elmcroft:** Shirley Bristow, Nancy Greenwell, Tom and Verneasa Jasper, Dean and Velma Keen  
**Green Meadows:** Betty Lutes, Paul Roby, Ruth Walls

SYMPATHY

Christian sympathy is extended to Pat Church and family in the loss of his brother, Doug Church; to the family of Alice Staples; to Janet Stine and family in the loss of her aunt, Ruth Humes; and to the family of Mary Evelyn Moore.

THANK YOU

Thank you to those who sent cards to the VA Hospital. A total of 372 cards were delivered by Roger Clark; 306 Christmas cards, 11 Birthday cards and 55 handmade Thank You cards.

A thank you letter has been received from the Department of Veterans Affairs. A thank you card has also been received from Jim Buffin. These are posted on the church office bulletin board.

STAFF ANNIVERSARY

**CONGRATULATIONS!**

Cindy Cecil - January 1  
Staff Ministry Assistant - 16 yrs.  
Melissa Laytham - January 2  
Financial Administrator - 10 yrs.

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Widowed & Homebound  
Happy Birthday  
Betty French (1), Betty Fields (3)  
June Burdine (4), Judy Stallings (9)  
Doris Hourigan (10)  
Florence Ryan (20)  
Elizabeth Rogers (30)

OPPORTUNITIES

**WESTERN RECORDER**

Subscriptions are provided by the church at no cost to anyone who receives the *Western Recorder*, which includes *The First Edition*, by mail. Should you want to help offset the cost, donations through the church offerings are always welcome. \*Moreover, if you use the internet but do not receive *The First Edition* by email, consider contacting the church office and making the change. It will be a significant cost savings, allowing the money to be used on other ministry opportunities.

If you currently receive the *Western Recorder* newspaper, which includes *The First Edition*, but would like to be removed from the mailing list, please contact the church office at 538-7361 or email [dlieber@fbcmw.org](mailto:dlieber@fbcmw.org).

**THE FIRST EDITION ONLINE**

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BODY LIFE

**Dec. 11 Dec. 18**

Bible Study	545	454
A.M Worship Total	848	705

Financial Statements are available in hard copy format in a box outside Melissa Laytham's office.

**Financial information not available to the general public.**