

IN SERVICE

Sunday, December 28
Extended Teaching
Coordinator(s)
Volunteer needed

8:00 a.m.
Kelly Martin

10:40 a.m.
Donna English
Delores Metcalf
Jessie Devine
Connie Slater
Kristi Morris
Renee Morgan
Annie Nash
Brandy Exely

Special Friends
Workshop Leaders
Kim Seitz

9:35 Deacons
(1) Jamie Gardner
(6) Tim Milby

11:00 Deacons
(1) Jim Buffin
(3) Bill Rosenbarger
(4) Bruce Clark
(5) Mike Johnson
(6) Mike Ryan

Elmcroft
Sandy McCoy

Hospital Visitation
Buddy Bryant

Deacon Evangelism
Bill Rosenbarger

THE FIRST EDITION

A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR



HOLIDAY SCHEDULE CHANGES

Follow the regular schedule unless otherwise noted below.

Wed., Dec. 24	Church Office and CLC closed
Wed., Dec. 24 5:30 p.m.	Family Christmas Eve Service (no childcare) No Prayer Meeting, No activities, No meal
Thurs., Dec. 25	Church Office and CLC closed
Sun., Dec. 28 11:00 a.m.	No First Kids Live - children attend worship with parents
Wed., Dec. 31	No Prayer Meeting, No Activities, No meal
Thurs., Jan. 1	Church Office and CLC closed
Sun., Jan. 4	First Kids Live resumes
Wed., Jan. 7	Regular Wednesday activities resume



MISSIONS MINISTRY

LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING

All need to hear!

A people group is the largest community in which the gospel can be shared without many barriers. There are about 11,250 people groups in the world; of those, more than 6,500 people groups remain unreached, meaning less than two percent are evangelical Christian. About 3,000 of those are unengaged – no one is working among them at all. Although many are hard to reach, they all need to hear the gospel. Let's join in one sacred effort by giving to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. Our gifts to the offering support our missionaries who are working to share the love of Christ with those people groups still unreached and unengaged. What will be your part? National Goal is \$175 million; FBC Goal is \$25,000; Given to date: \$7,428.04.



MISSIONS INFO MEETING

Sunday, January 25, 12:00-12:30 p.m., Fireside Room
You must attend this meeting or email cameron.ford@fbcmw.org if interested in any 2015 mission trips.



Atlanta, Georgia - April 6-10, 2015

Eastern Kentucky - June 21-26, 2015

Lima, Peru - June 26-July 4, 2015 **Scotland** - July 2015

Anyone interested in volunteering with our Community Ministry can contact Cameron Ford at cameron.ford@fbcmw.org or call him in the church office.

Community Ministries - Every 3rd Thursday @ FBCMW—8:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

There is a place for you to serve this year. There is a place for you to GO. There are people to reach for Jesus. Let us be the hands and feet of Jesus and make disciples in the Nations.

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 2014 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 Dec. 31, 2014. If mailed to First Baptist Church, you need to ensure the mailing envelope is postmarked by the U.S. Post Office on or before Dec. 31. The date written on your check has no bearing on inclusion with your 2014 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 remainders trusts, annuities, charitable lead trust, etc. can offer significant tax advantages to the donor. Please consult with your tax professional about this type of gift.

Acknowledgement of your 2014 giving contributions available January 2015.

DO NOT file your 2014 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 2014. You are making an eternal difference!

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Beginning in January, we invite you to join the Women's Ministry in a daily devotion following one of Stormie Omartian's prayer books. We will meet weekly through January for an hour to pray together. Times and locations are yet to be determined. More events to come as well as Bible studies in 2015. Interested in being a part of Women's Ministry? Call Christine Gates at 403-4519.

DECEMBER 23, 2014

DATES/INFO TO REMEMBER

POINSETTIA MEMORIALS

Previously ordered poinsettias can be picked up after our Christmas Eve service on December 24 or on Sunday, December 28. Those not picked up by noon on December 30 will be discarded.



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY DECEMBER SCHEDULE

NO First Kids Worship for grades 1-5 in December. Children enjoy worship with their families on Dec. 28. Children attend Sunday School at 9:35 or 11:00 a.m.



MEN'S BREAKFAST & BIBLE STUDY

Men's Bible Study is held the first Saturday of each month. The next meeting is Saturday, January 3, 8:30 a.m., Romans Hall. For more info. contact Tony Stemle at 902-7287.



PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

Now enrolling for the Winter Semester. Classes begin Monday, January 6. Contact Carolyn Saunders at 538-0688 for more info.



CROCHET/KNIT CLASS

Monday, Jan. 5, 9:00-11:00 a.m., Craft Room



WOMEN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Tuesday, January 6, 10-11:30 a.m. Craft Room



WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY - BEGINNING JANUARY 7

Join us on Wednesday night's in Coakley Chapel as we begin an eight-week study in the book of Acts led by Jim Castlen. "Epochs in Acts" is a series on the spread of the gospel in the early church as chronicled in the book of Acts. Our focus will be on key events giving impetus to the growth of the church during the first 3 decades following the ascension of Christ.

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Thursday, January 15, 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.



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BREAST CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

Tuesday, Jan. 27, 7-8:30 p.m., Craft Room
This meeting is for women and caregivers touched by breast cancer or anyone interested. Call Sue Calvert at 538-6689 with any questions.



SCRAPBOOKERS

Friday, January 30 at 6:30 p.m. in the Craft Room.



TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Study will resume in Feb., watch future publications.

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WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday - December 28 7:00 - 8:00 Prayer Time - C205 8:15 Morning Worship 9:00 - 11:00 Library open 9:35 Bible Study - all ages 9:35 Morning Worship 10:45 Sunday School Too (B- PS2) Sproutlets Worship (Ages 3-5 by Oct.1st 2014) No First Kids Live (Grades 1-5) 10:50 Bible Study - all ages 11:00 Morning Worship	Tuesday - December 30 6:00 Aerobics - CLC 6:30 No Orchestra Rehearsal 7:30 Praise Band Wednesday - December 31 No Prayer Mtg., No Activities, No Meal 6:00 Youth trip returns Thursday - January 1 Church Office & CLC Closed Friday - January 2 No Nutrition Class - CLC Saturday - January 3 8:30 Men's Bible Study/Breakfast- Romans Hall 9:00 Aerobics; 11:00 CLC Closes 3:00 Youth Winter Jam
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YOUTH MINISTRY

WINTER TRIP/XTREME CONFERENCE

Sunday, December 29, 8:00 a.m.
Youth meet in the CLC to depart for Xtreme Trip—completed travel/medical release forms required. Return Tuesday, December 31; estimated 6:00 p.m.

WINTER JAM

Saturday, January 3, 2015; Meet in the CLC at 3:00 p.m. Cost is \$10 at the door and bring money to purchase food in the arena. Bands include: Skillet, Jeremy Camp, Francesca Battistelli, Building 429, For King and Country, Newsong, Family Force 5 along with others. Tony Nolan will be the featured preacher. Here is the tour link: <http://2015.jamtour.com/>

W.O.W. 2015

The youth will begin the new year with a winter W.O.W. kick off service Wednesday night, January 7.

DISCIPLE NOW WEEKEND (DNOW) - STAND OUT! - MARCH 6-8

DNOW is for middle and high school students. Highview Baptist Church will host the main worship and teaching sessions during the day with students spending two nights here at FBC. Cost is \$30.00 if you register with a \$15.00 deposit before January 14. Post registration fee is \$40.00. Limited scholarships are available. Guest speakers will be JR Vassar, Tony Merida and Wade Morris. Worship leaders will be Rush of Fools. For more information, contact Jason Johnson in the church office.

SUMMER CAMP - CEDARMORE - JUNE 25-29

Mark your calendar! Summer camp will be June 25-29 at Cedarmore for middle and high school students. If you would like to register your student, you may do so by making a \$75.00 deposit before February 11. For more camp information, contact Jason Johnson.

ANNUAL YOUTH CHILI COOK-OFF FUNDRAISER

Sunday, February 1 in Fellowship Hall at noon. We are asking you to support our youth as they raise money for camp and mission trip opportunities this year! The cost is \$5 per person and a maximum of \$15 per family of three or more. We also need pots of chili. If you can prepare a pot of chili, please email jjohnson@fbcmw.org or call 538-7361.



CHILDREN MINISTRY

MOVIE NIGHT - Saturday, January 17, 6:00 p.m., CLC/Gym-Big screen movie
Pizza, popcorn, magic show by our own Mr. Magic, Jeff Russ

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - June 15-19, 2015; **JOURNEY OFF THE MAP**

CENTRI-KID CAMP - June 29-July 3, 2015; Grades 3-5

\$50 deposit due February 9. Total cost \$250.00—Discount for siblings. Centri-Kid offers kids the opportunity to experience the message of Jesus through Bible study, recreation, track times, and worship. If you send your child to one camp this summer, this should be it! Imagine your child spending a week being saturated with God's love. Every activity from quiet times, to Bible study, to worship, to games, to free time focuses on helping children understand what it means to be a Christian and how to follow God. It is well worth the money and your child will not be disappointed. Contact Jennifer Harris in the church office with questions.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Updated Friday, December 22, 2014

Baptist Hlth: Sam Beichler
(Jackie Beverly's friend)
UK Medical Cntr.: Jimmy Thompson
(Darlene Mann's brother)
Glen Ridge: Harold "Duck" Knapp
Green Meadows: Ralph Lutes, Mary E. Moore, Fran Stamper, Ruth Walls
Eastern Star Home: Evelyn Proctor
Windsor Gardens/Bardstown:
Stella "Stuart" Tichenor
Cincinnati Healthcare: Betty Wilkins
Glen Ridge Long Term Care: Barbara Rapp (Brenda Buffin's mother)

SYMPATHY

Christian sympathy is extended to Pat Harder and family in the loss of her mother, Evelyn Walker.

THANK YOU

A thank you card has been received from Anita Darnell and it is posted on the church office bulletin board.

OPPORTUNITIES

CLC FRIENDS & WALKERS MEMBERSHIPS

In January we are offering the CLC Friends and Walkers Memberships for half price (\$30 for Friends and \$10 for Walkers) for those who are not Church members but wish to use the CLC to work out or walk. This is an easy way for you to reach out to the people you know and get them connected to the church. They must sign up for a six month membership (January-June). This discount is for any new sign-ups only and it does not apply for those who are renewing their membership. If you were not a CLC Friends and Walkers Member in 2013 or 2014, then you are eligible.

BIBLE READING CHALLENGE!

A new year is coming-make 2015... the year (or another year) you read the Bible through. Annual Bible reading guides are available in the Vestibule, Welcome Center, and CLC. Make that commitment and pick up a reading guide today!

NUTRITION EDUCATION PROGRAM

Friday mornings at 9:00 a.m. in the CLC recreation area. Learn more about meal planning, stretching your food dollars, eating better for your health and get nutritious recipes for your family. Call Marcia Moss at 543-2257 with any questions.

The Expanded Food Nutrition Education Program (EFNEP) is a FREE service of the University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service and is available to families raising young children, pregnant or parenting teens and seniors.

BODY LIFE

NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

Due to the Christmas & New Year holiday, the December 23 Western Recorder newspaper, which includes our First Edition newsletter, was due Friday, December 19. Also, there will be no Western Recorder December 31.

The Western Recorder will publish every other week beginning January 13, 2015.

Therefore attendance totals and financial figures for December 21, 28 and January 4 will be included in the Western Recorder/First Edition Newsletter dated January 13, 2015.

The First Edition will continue to run weekly and can be accessed online at our church website, www.fbcmw.org, media, publications, newsletter.

Hard copies can be found in the church office and the sanctuary vestibule. If you would like to receive the First Edition weekly via email, please email dlieber@fbcmw.org.

MEETING REMINDER

DEACONS MEETING ORDINATION

January 11
4:30 Deacons Meeting - Craft Rm.
6:00 Deacon Ordination - Sanctuary
We welcome and celebrate those who have agreed to serve as new deacons rotating on in 2015. We will have three deacons to be ordained on Sunday, January 11, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

STAFF ANNIVERSARY

January - Congratulations!

Cindy Cecil - 14 years
Staff Secretary
Melissa Laytham - 8 years
Financial Administrator

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

January Birthdays for Widows & Homebound



Happy Birthday!
Betty French (1)
Betty Fields (3)
June Burdine (4)
Judy Stallings (9)
Doris Hourigan (10)
Florence Ryan (20)
Mary E. Moore (26)
Elizabeth Rogers (30)