

### November/December 2021





#### Wednesdays

6:30 a B & B (Youth) at FBC 6:30 p JAM (K - 5th) 6:30 p Youth Bible Study 6:30 p Adult Bible Study

#### **Sundays**

9:30 a Sunday School 10:45 a Worship Service 2:30 - 5:00 p Healing Hearts

#### Wednesday, November 3 7:30 p Board Meetings

Sunday, November 7 TIME CHANGE

#### <u>Thursday, November 11</u> Veterans Day

Friday, November 12 7:00 p Craft Night

#### Sunday, November 14

9:00 a - 5:00 p Operation Christmas Shoebox filling

## Sunday, November 21

12:00 p Thanksgiving Meal

#### Wednesday, November 24 NO Wednesday Activities

Thursday, November 25

#### HAPPY THANKSGIVING Sunday, November 28

6:00 p Children Christmas Play

## Wednesday, December 1

7:30 p Board Meetings 7:45 p FCA at FBC

#### December 3 -4, 6 -10

Gingerbread baking and prep

#### December 10-11

Gingerbread House Decorating

#### Sunday, December 12

4:00 p Church Council

#### Wednesday, December 15 7:30 p Business Meeting

Wednesday, December 23 NO Wednesday Activities

#### Friday, December 24

5:30 p Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

#### Saturday, December 25 CHRISTMAS DAY

Wednesday, December 29 NO Wednesday Activities

# A note from the Pastor

Reach Up. Reach Out. Reach In. These three phrases summarize the mission of First Baptist Church. As we draw near to the end of one year and get ready to being a new year, let us be reminded of why our church exists and how we can stay on mission to serve the Kingdom of God.

When we Reach Up, we focus on our relationship with God. We Reach Up in worship and discipleship. Every believer in Christ is called to worship publicly and privately. Faithful Christians cannot withhold their corporate worship (Hebrews 10:25). We encourage every member of First Baptist to be faithful in weekly gatherings. In addition, Scripture demands that we personally grow in our relationship with God (2 Timothy 2:1-2), a process we call discipleship. One of the best ways to grow is by faithfully attending a small group Sunday School class.

We Reach Out to show love to those in our community. We can faithfully Reach Out through service and evangelism. Because we believe that all people are created in the image of God, we are called to love all people the way that God loves them. That means serving without expectation of anything in return (Philippians 2:4). Of course, the most loving way to serve others is by sharing the love of Christ with them. As a church and as individuals, we must boldly love others enough to share their need for Christ (2 Corinthians 5:20).

As we fulfill God's mission through our church, we will need our church family to Reach In and care for one another. Fellowship and care are essential components of the mission God calls us to. We often reduce fellowship to a meal, but it is so much more. Fellowship is the intentional act of encouraging brothers and sisters in Christ (Hebrews 10:24). Gossip and slander are the enemies of fellowship. As we build relationships through fellowship, we begin to learn how to care for each other. We rejoice with others rejoice. We mourn when others mourn. We show love, care, and

compassion for our brothers and sisters in Christ (2 Corinthians 1:3-5).

As we enter into the holiday season and prepare for a new year, can we refocus our attention on the Biblical mission that God has called us to? What areas can we as a church improve in? What areas can you, personally, grow in?





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#### Sunday

9:30 am Sunday School 10:45 am Worship Service 2:30 pm Healing Hearts Grief Group

#### **Wednesday**

6:30 pm Bible Study,

Jam (K – 5<sup>th</sup>)

Youth Bible Study (6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>)

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# Gingerbread House Decorating

AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Fri, Dec 10 6:00 p - 8:00 p Sat, Dec 11 1:00 - 3:00 p & 5:30 - 7:30 p

Kick off Christmas by joining us & decorating a Gingerbread House.

Create some wonderful memories.

Two times to choose from to decorate.

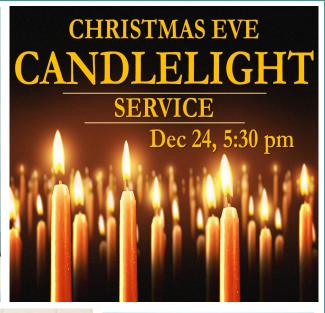
Please sign up on online or call to guarantee your house and time for decorating



fbcrobinson.com/gingerbread or call 618-544-3214

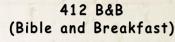
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, 301 S JEFFERSON, ROBINSON





Small groups on Sunday mornings at 9:30 am

We have classes for toddlers, children, teenagers, college & SMALL careers and adults.







JAM at FBC! Come on Wednesday nights at 6:30 p



Any questions see Loretta Gallion.

Youth Bible Study Wednesday @ 6:30p



Wednesday Night
Interactive Bible Study
6:30 p

live.fbcrobinson.com or or Facebook



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#### Birthdays& Anniversaries

## **November**

- 7 James Bailey
- 9 Taren Williamson
- 10 Landyn Bonnell
- 15 Dena Hardesty
- 18 Lana Spires
- 20 J.D. Caballero
- 22 Cheryl Caballero
- 23 Joe Cunningham

#### Missionary

- 25 Georgia Ralston
- 29 Mike Cooper









Fundraiser for Youth Mission Camp

Fri, Nev 12 at 7:00 p

2 ornaments for \$10

All money donated to youth mission camp.

Sign up online at

www.fbcrobinson.com/craft
or on bulletin board

Any questions see Hannah Reid



Packing date is Nov 14 9 a – 5 p
Come and fill a box

Pick up your box today in the sanctuary More information on the welcome desk

Boxes need to be back by Nov 21

Any questions see Barbara Martin

While we are thinking about our family gatherings and gifts, let's not forget our missionaries who have been faithfully serving God in the mission field to which God led them. For the next few weeks, please give a little extra so FBC can be a blessing to our missionaries at Christmas time. You may designate your special offering on an envelope and place it in the offering plate or box. At our church Thanksgiving dinner, containers will be placed in convenient locations for this missionary gift.



# Sun, Nov 21, after church in Fellowship Hall.

If we would have to cancel, we plan to have dinner for carry out. With this in mind, the menu will be a little different.

See sign up list on bulletin board.

Thank you for volunteering to prepare food to make this a successful dinner for all!

No Wednesday Activities (Bible Study, JAM, or Youth Bible Study)

November 24
Happy Thanksgiving





#### PUMPKIN PIES NEEDED

Dion from the Ark of the Covenant Soup Kitchen asked if FBC could provide 10 or more pumpkin pies for the Tues, Nov 16 meal.

Have pies to the church on Nov 15 by 11 a

If you can help, please contact the church office.







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#### December

- 10 Sandra Windes
- 12 David Sheese
- 13 Callie Reid
- 17 Ashton Wesley
- 21 Jim Riggs
- 22 Abil Hardesty
- 24 William Batten
- 26 Becky Miller
- 27 Hannah Reid
- 31 Gary & Phyllis Michael

#### Missionary

- 11 Brandon Brown
- 23 Oliver Elliott
- 28 Kyle Brown
- 29 Pam Richards





We are looking for donations of food, drinks and cash

Sign up on bulletin board

Any questions see Eva Hester



# Eric & Laurem Coale



#### **November Missionary of the Month**

Eric and Lauren Coale are completely supported financially by the Southern Baptist Cooperative Program and have requested our prayer support as well. As of mid-October, they have arrived in their new city and are setting up their apartment and will be starting language school (if they haven't already). Pray for them and their two small children as they adjust to their new environment and learn the language.

# Can You Help?

Can you help us get ready for the Gingerbread House Day

# **Baking days**

Dec 3 9a-4p Dec 4 9a-4p

Dec 6 9a-4p

Dec 7 9 a - 4 p

Bring your rolling pins and air bake sheets. Come help rolling, cutting, and baking dough.

## House

Construction

Dec 8 9 a - 4 p Dec 9 9 a - 4 p

Come and help put the gingerbread houses together

# Clean Up

Dec 11 3 p Dec 11 7:30 p

Set Up
Dec 10 9 a

Dec 11 9 a & 3 p Come and help set up

Any questions contact Sherri Bailey or Eva Hester

Sign up sheet on bulletin board

# Church Council Meeting

Sun, Dec 12 at 4:00 p







#### December Missionary of the Month

Eli and Jessica (Groover) are currently on furlough but are looking forward to returning to the Amazon jungle early in the year 2022. They and their four children will be living and working with tribal people who live in fear of evil spirits and continuously try to appease them. God has placed it on Eli and Jessica's hearts to join a missionary family currently working there to plant a gospel preaching church.

Prayer request: During a storm in that isolated area on September 21, the helicopter that was used by the mission there was destroyed when the hangar fell on it. Please pray that the missionaries on the field who used that helicopter are able to continue well without the support of the helicopter and that they will be able to find the right helicopter there in Brazil to replace it.

Also pray for increased ability to communicate in the Portuguese language.

FBC is financially supporting this family at \$100 per month.

No Wednesday Activities (Bible Study, JAM, or Youth Bible Study)

> December 22 December 29

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

BIBLESTUDY

The Trustees have placed a list of cleaning suggestions on the bulletin board.

If you have some time and are willing to help, please look the list over.

We appreciate your willingness to serve in this way.



## CHRISTMAS SHOE BOXES!

We are participating in Samaritan's Purse 2021 Operation Christmas Child. Success depends on you! Our target is at least 75 boxes.

First Baptist has till Nov 21 to complete our collection and deliver the boxes to our county collection center. There are shoeboxes near the exit with information for anyone who wants to participate. Plastic boxes are also acceptable and available.

Boxes are for Boys or girls, ages 2 to 4, 5 to 9, or 10 to 14 years old.

Many suggested school supplies, toiletries, toys and clothing have already been collected and are available for use. They are listed on the bulletin board. Items still needed include: boxes of 24 count crayons (25 more boxes); children's scissors (25 more); assorted boys and girls shirts; boxers, shorts, panties, and socks; and "wow" toys for older kids. If you have or buy any of these items drop them by the church office. Remember the limited size of the shoeboxes.

REMINDER: NO food items, liquids, medication, or war-like toys or clothing are allowed.

## Three main ways to participate:

>>Decide on the sex and age you're preparing the shoebox for, then shop and fill a box using the recommended items.

>>Plan on using the school and toiletry items already collected but ADD YOUR PERSONAL TOUCH by adding an appropriate shirt, underwear, and toy to finish off your box.

>>Contributing toward the postage. Estimated cost per box is \$9.

## Packing Days:

>>Oct 17 some Sunday School classes will prepack school and toiletry items, getting them ready to easily add to each box.

>>Nov 14 is the tentative church-wide packing date, with contributed items available to pack.

QUESTIONS: Call Barbara Martin at 553-2849.