

Go to <https://www.imb.org/lottie-moon-christmas-offering-week-prayer/> to pray for specific missionary families this week.

Join us

- FOR THE - December 3-10

2017 WEEK OF PRAYER FOR INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS

LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING™

imb.org/lmco

Did you know?

100% of gifts to *Lottie Moon Christmas Offering* funds International Mission Board Missionaries ~

Because of these Missionaries
1.9 Million people heard the gospel
175,290 New Believers
15,058 Pastors Trained
6,138 New Churches Started

Reported as of 2015

LOTTIE MOON OFFERING
give generously this christmas season



Christmas Mailboxes for Church Family

* Please use the boxes located on the pew beside the display case to send Christmas cards to church family and save on postage.

* We encourage you to take the money you would have spent on postage and give it to those in need this Christmas.

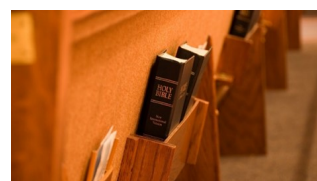
* In order for the boxes not to overflow, please check for your mail frequently.

* The boxes will be out until December 30th. Any leftover mail will be discarded.



**PEW
BIBLES
NEEDED!**

We would like to replace the sanctuary Pew Bibles and need your help with the cost. We need approximately 150 bibles at a cost of \$7.50 each. If your group, class, or family would like to help make checks payable to FBC designated for Pew Bibles.



Our Staff

All Members of FBC, Missionaries

Rev. Robbie Parker, Interim Pastor; Dr. Greg Barmer, Minister of Music

Mrs. Joy Stallings, Minister of Children & Outreach,

Rev. Greg Hombirg, Minister of Education & Youth

Rev. Indalecio Treviño Hispanic Pastor ~ Berto Torres, Custodian

Jan Cochran, Financial Secretary ~ Teresa West, Secretary

Barbara Owens, Pianist ~ Alma Evett, Organist

Worship services are broadcast on Suddenlink Channel 25 in Washington, Greenville, Kinston, New Bern, Rocky Mount and Williamston on Sundays at 1:00 PM

and Tri-County Cable Channel 13 on Sunday 11:00 AM and on Tuesday's at 10:00 AM.

Services are also available on the church web site at www.thefirstbaptistchurch.com

Get the latest updates available via the church website. Check It Out!

Church Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 8:00AM - 4:00 PM & Friday's 8:00AM - 12noon

Telephone (252) 946-8074 Fax (252) 946-6934

First Baptist Church

Leading People
to KNOW Christ
GROW in Christ
and GO for Christ
transforming the world.

December 6, 2017

The Informer

a weekly publication of

First Baptist Church

113 North Harvey Street

Washington N.C. 27889

fbc@thefirstbaptistchurch.com

252-946-8074

Find and like us on Facebook

[@washingtonfirstbaptist](https://www.facebook.com/washingtonfirstbaptist)



Christmas Festival of Music

"The Promise"

This Sunday night, December 10th

6:00pm

Adult, youth, and children's choirs; bells, orchestra,

and congregation all join in a festive celebration of Christ's birth.

CALENDAR WATCH

Don't miss out . . . Check the calendar!

UPCOMING EVENTS @ FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

DECEMBER

10th - The Promise ~ Christmas Festival of Music, 6pm

Adult, youth, and children's choirs; bells, orchestra, and congregation all join in a festive celebration of Christ's birth.

11th - Widows & Senior Singles Brunch, 9:30am to 11am

Join us for a fun time of fellowship and visit from our WEE School children. Sign up outside the church office. We look forward to seeing you there!

17th - Church-wide Christmas Caroling, 4PM

Family dinner afterward—chicken wings and all the fixin's

20th - No Evening Activities

24th - Christmas Eve

AM- No breakfast or 8:30 Worship

9:45 Bible Study and 11am Worship as usual

PM- 5:30 - Candlelight Service ~ *scripture, carols, communion, & candlelight*

22nd - 26th - Church Office Closed ~ Merry Christmas!

27th - No Evening Activities

31st - 9:45am Bible Study and 11:00am Worship Only

No breakfast or 8:30 Worship

9:45 Bible Study and 11am Worship as usual

January 1st - Church Office Closed ~ Happy New Year!

3rd - No Evening Activities

Sunday evening was terrific! The Christmas dinner was a great success as the family came together and celebrated together. You turned out for the occasion in mass, and I was amazed at how smoothly the seating, serving, and clean up went. The success of all that is credited to Ann Baker and Jeff Williamson specifically, and to all the deacons in general. Every detail was carefully planned and executed and you and I reaped the benefits. It's no easy task to seat and serve over 300 in a tight space so easily and efficiently! Pam Warren and Paul Banta worked for several days in a kitchen that is not equipped to prepare a meal of that enormity, but they did it with grace and expertise. Debbie and Jimmy Harris serve in the nursery every year while we are enjoying ourselves in the FLC. Thanks to them for their willing spirits and love for our children. Thanks to all! ~ Greg Barmer

Beaufort County Community Orchestra

Christmas Concert

Sunday, December 17, 2017

at 3 pm, Turnage Theater

150 West Main Street, Washington NC 27889

The concert will include a sing-along,

Christmas arrangements

by Ralph Vaughan Williams and Leroy Anderson, and Haydn's Symphony No. 70.



STAFF CHRISTMAS LOVE OFFERING

The Personnel Committee invites you to extend your thanks and love to our church staff through a Christmas love offering. If you wish to contribute, please designate your gift as "staff love offering." Gifts may be given at anytime and a special offering will be taken on December 17th.



Coming to a Family Life Center near YOU...

Sunday Nights in January 2018

5:30pm - Dinner

6:00pm - Movie



More details to come...

Kids for Christ Families!

I hope you are using and enjoying the Advent Devotional Book your child brought home before Thanksgiving.

Last Sunday was the first Sunday of Advent, and the focus was on Hope. There is a devotion, a coloring page and a candle to color and cut out for each Sunday in December. May this devotion book help prepare you and your family for the arrival of Jesus!

Merry Christmas and Blessings to All! Joy Stallings



Widows & Senior Singles Brunch

This coming **Monday, December 11th**

In the FLC, 9:30am to 11:00am

Please sign up on bulletin board! Hope to see you there!



URGENT ~ Calling all bakers!

If you would like to supply cookies for the Widows & Senior Singles Brunch we need you!

Please sign up to make two dozen cookies or more for the Widows & Senior Singles Brunch. Bring them to the church on *Monday Morning, Dec. 11th*.

Please sign up outside the church office for the number of dozens you will prepare.

Serving the Week of December 10th

Nursery Workers ~ Jennifer & Kevin Mitchell, Augusta Batchelor, Mary Belcher, Eric & Tracie Asby, Kyle & Amie O'Kane

Children's Church ~ 8:30- Amy Bennett 11:00- Penney Doughtie

Ushers ~ Gil Davis, Paul Banta, Shane Lewis, Scott Beasley

Coffee Break Team ~ Paul Bright, Reggie Baker, Robert Belcher, John Powell, Carroll Herring, Jim Hudson, Bill Outland, Sean White

Deacon of the Week ~ Paula Jacques

Deacon Team Members ~ Jimmy Harris and Wesley Adams

Financial Report for last week

December 3, 2017

YTD Budget Requirement (Wk.10)	\$	129,718.00
YTD Budget Receipts	\$	120,454.68
Budget - Over / <u>Under</u>	\$	9,263.32
Weekly Budget Requirement	\$	12,971.80
Actual Budget Offering	\$	17,519.60
First South Bank Loan	\$	1,097,841.81
<i>Loan Balance</i>	\$	<i>390,171.03</i>
Widow's Mite Receipts	\$	2,278,623.63

Opportunities for Service the Week of Sunday, December 10, 2017

Sunday Morning, December 10th

8:30am - Worship

9:15am - Continental Breakfast

9:45am - Bible Study

11:00am - Worship

Sunday Evening, December 10th

6:00pm - Christmas Festival of Music -

"The Promise"

Adult, youth, and children's choirs; bells, orchestra, and congregation all join in a festive celebration of Christ's birth.

Wednesday, Evening, December 13th

9:30 - 12noon - Media Center

5:15 - 6:00pm - Fellowship Meal

(sign up or call by Tues. 12noon)

5:15 - 6:00pm - Media Center

5:45 - 6:30pm - Children's Choirs

(4yr olds - 6th grade)

6:15pm - *Church Conf. / Business Mtg.*

6:30 - 7:30pm - Mission Groups

Mission Friends - (4yr. - K)

GA'S (girls 1st - 6th grade)

RA'S (boys 1st - 6th grade)

Acteens (girls 7th - 12th)

Challengers (boys 7th - 12th)

7:15pm - No Sanctuary Adult Choir

Wednesday Night Fellowship

Please sign up outside the church office or call 946-8074

by 12 noon on Tues.

\$5.00 Adults/ \$3.00 Children

and \$15.00 Families

Menu for December 13th

FISH FRY with fixn's

Tea & Dessert