

# Meetings & Events

Wednesday, December 10

Finance Committee

7:15 p.m.

Conference Room

## Quarterly Business Meeting

Wednesday, December 10 - 6:15 p.m.

Fellowship Hall

The main item of business will be a vote on the 2009 Church Budget.

## Sanctuary Poinsettias

Poinsettias will be placed in the church each Sunday during the month of December. If interested call the church office, (249-9158). Orders will be placed on Monday before the Sunday you want them.

## Come See the Christmas Lights

December 21 and 22

Ray and Joyce Howell invite all the children, youth and their parents to come see their Christmas lights and enjoy hot chocolate and cookies. Come on Sunday or Monday night, December 21 or 22, between 5:30 and 9:00 p.m. The Howells live at 243 North Miners Trail in the Central Area. Directions will be shared with the children on Sunday, December 21 and are also available in the church office.

## Operation Shoe Box

This is the thirteenth year our church has participated in this mission project. We sent 100 boxes to needy children around the world.

Special thanks to Ginger Hill and all who participated in this mission.

## Let Me Tell You About Diabetes

February 6, 2009 - FBC Fellowship Hall

Dr. Tom Wall

Lunch Tickets \$10.00

## Extended Session

**December 7:** **BedBabies** - M/M Brian Lancaster **Toddlers & 2 Year Olds** - Melinda & Taylor Hartley **3 & 4 Year Olds** - Tina & Kristin Wall

**December 14:** **(Nine Lessons & Carols)** Paid Staff

## Book Collection for the MBCC

Please help Sarah Bowers with her Girl Scout Award! She is collecting new and gently used children's books. A collection box is located on the first floor near the elevator.

## Global Missions Offering

This is the time of year that we give a special offering to the Cooperative Baptist Fellows for missions. You have a Missions envelope in your packet or just mark your check for CFB Global Mission offering. May we give so others can serve.

## Girls In Action

Girls in Action will provide a Christmas Shoppe for the 65 residents of Carolina House on December 10. Residents may shop for Christmas gifts for their loved ones and also have them wrapped. **We need your help!** Please share the Christmas spirit by donating gift items. Some gift suggestions: seasonal figurines, toys, Kleenex, purses, baby items, gloves, lotion, socks, notepads, stationary, candles. A donation box is located in the Fellowship Hall.

## Thank You

Dear Friends,

You have blessed us with your prayers. Thank you for caring and for always being there for us. We rejoice in being a part of this fellowship that leans on the grace and love of our Lord.

Sincerely yours,

Jim & Carolyn Phillips

## Attic Antics

Jenn will be away December 11, 2008 until January 11, 2009. Youth Bible Study will resume on Sunday, January 11, 2009

Ski retreat to Sugar Mountain is February 6 - 8, 2009. \$100 deposit is due by January 4, 2009.

## Parents' Day Out

This is a chance to help the Youth raise money for their Summer

Mission Trip to Belize

When: Saturday, December 6  
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Where: First Baptist Church  
Old Fellowship Hall

Who: 2 year olds - 5th graders  
Children of FBC and friends

\*Lunch will be provided

\***Birthdays Party for Jesus** 10:00 - 11:30

\*Games, Crafts, Stories, Movie

\*Adults and Youth will supervising

**DONATIONS WILL BE APPRECIATED**

## Honorariums

**HVAC:** *Helen Linder's 90th Birthday* by Don & Ann Bishop, Dot Walser, Faithful Workers SS Class, Silba Rae Rennell, Hubert & Cateen Olive, Kay Mathis; *Harold & Cindy McNeill's 50th Anniversary* by Don & Ann Bishop; *Faithful Workers SS Class* by Kay Mathis; *Jackie Inman* by Dot Walser; **Small Jobs Ministry:** *Lane Gilliam and Friends* by Polly Rollins; **General Fund:** *Opal Johnson* by Becky Kirkendall; *Helen Linder's 90th Birthday* by Frances Hoover, Evelyn Bingham; **Health & Wellness Fund:** *Helen Linder's 90th Birthday* by James & Doris Helvey; **Baptismal Robes:** *Virginia Flippin, Kathy Hinkle, Sandra Blackwelder* by Thomas & Jan Huffman

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## Memorials

**HVAC:** *Benny Lopp* by Don & Ann Bishop, Kay & Dorcas Albright, Bob & Ann Cole, Ann Corn; *Dr. John Jordan* by Opal Johnson, Don & Ann Bishop, Bob & Ann Cole; *Wade Johnson* by Don & Ann Bishop, Booty Hilton, Hazel Morris, Dot Walser, Bob & Ann Cole, Ann Corn; *Ed Bender* by Ann Corn, Dot Walser, Don & Ann Bishop; *Dr. Amos Smith* by Bob & Ann Cole, Ann Corn, Don & Ann Bishop; *Gale Smith* by Don & Ann Bishop, Ann Corn, Bob & Ann Cole; *Ismay Berrier* by Bob & Ann Cole; *Hugh J. Roberson* by Hazel Morris, Bob & Ann Cole; *Joanne Alexander* by Bob & Ann Cole; *Jean Bowen* by Hazel Morris; *Minnie Davis* by Hazel Morris, Ann Corn, Bob & Ann Cole; *John Myers, Sr.* by Bob & Ann Cole; *Juanita Wooten* by Bob & Ann Cole; *Phyllis Poston Hill* by Bob & Ann Cole, Ann Corn; *Paul Langley* by Ann Corn; *Jane Barker* by Don & Ann Bishop; *Polly Ward* by Don & Ann Bishop; **Health & Wellness Fund:** *Wade Johnson* by James & Doris Helvey; **Building & Grounds:** *Wade Johnson* by Kay & Dorcas Albright, Jim & Carolyn Phillips; *Bobby Kirkendall* by Becky Kirkendall & Family; **General Fund:** *Wade Johnson* by Becky Kirkendall, George & Amy Chambless; *Benny Lopp* by Edgar Hinkle, Jr; *Minnie Davis & Gale Smith* by George & Amy Chambless; **C. Andrews Organ Fund:** *Wade Johnson, Minnie Davis, Mary Louise Leonard, Gale Smith, Ed Bender* by Buddy Andrews; **Baptismal Robes:** *Joe Blackwelder* by Thomas & Jan Huffman

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## Thank You

Dear Friends,

Thank you for the wonderful acknowledgement of my 25 years of service to the Martha Best Children's Center. It has been my pleasure and privilege to be able to do this and I thank God and you for the opportunity.

Sincerely,  
Jean Ashley

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## 2009 Birthday Banquet

Wednesday, January 21 - 5:45 p.m.  
Entertainment Chi Rho - Wake Forest University  
(Our Own: Charlie Frye)

Tickets will be on sale Sunday mornings and in the church office.  
Last date to purchase will be Sunday, Jan. 11.  
Cost: Adults \$6.00 Under 12; \$4.00 Family Limit \$20.00



## Christmas Decorations

The Sanctuary Committee has been busy decorating the church for the Advent Season. The annual Chrismon tree is in place, candles are in the windows, and wreaths and garland have all been hung inside and out. The Nativity crèche is located in our narthex. Thanks to the committee for all they do in preparing the church house for the season. The Fellowship Halls have also been decorated for the Christmas season. Members of the Social Committee decorated both halls, and we are grateful to them as well. Thank you to all who each year give of your time and talent.

## Davidson Prison Ministry Inmate Christmas Party

Davidson Prison Ministry is planning the Christmas party for the 258 inmates at the DC Corrections Center. The date is Tuesday, December 16 and will involve volunteers. We need bakers of may desserts, cakes, brownies, etc. If you wish to prepare a dessert, it can be delivered to the prison parking lot near the DOT garage from 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. or call Newell Davis for pickup. Bakery items can also be donated.

We also need volunteers to assist with the party. Please call Newell Davis by December 9 if you plan to volunteer. (248-5831)

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## *Advent Season Calendar*

### Saturday, December 6

5:00 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.

### Sunday, December 7

2:30 p. m. & 5:00 p.m.

### Sunday, December 14

11:00 a. m.

### Wednesday, December 24

5:30 p. m.

### Lexington Choral Society

*FBC Sanctuary*

### Community Candlelight Service

*Edward C. Smith Civic Center*

### Nine Lessons & Carols

*FBC Sanctuary*

### Christmas Eve Candlelight/Communion

*FBC Sanctuary*

## Food Boxes For The Needy

It is time once again for our Sunday School mission project - food boxes for needy families in our community. We hope individuals and classes will contribute. All checks should be made out to First Baptist Church. The deadline for contributions is December 14 and boxes will be delivered on Wednesday, December 17. Contact Tommy or Peggy Barnhardt if you are interested in helping box items or delivering boxes.

## 2008 Financial Update

These are the numbers: through November we have received \$722,152.00 for December we need \$221,348.00. With some savings in insurance, utilities, missions, building and grounds we know we will have a savings of \$55,000 plus. We hope there will be other realized savings as we end the year.

The church as well as everyone has been impacted by our economic crisis. We have tried to cut back and spend less where we can. In this season of giving we do hope you will give to the church that we can meet as many of our mission and ministry needs as possible.

Remember all contributions to the church have to be in by Wednesday, December 31. During these difficult days may we faithfully give.

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