

Celebrating Christmas at James Island Baptist



December 6: *2nd Sunday of Advent*
December 13: *3rd Sunday of Advent*
December 16: *Christmas Caroling*
December 20: *4th Sunday of Advent*
December 24: *Christmas Eve Service, 6 pm*



James Island Baptist Church Staff

Pastor: Tom Brown
Mission Pastor/Worship Leader: Ted Baker
Pastor of Students: Brent Gordon
Ministry Assistant: Neale Young
Part-time Ministry Assistant: Ellen Anderson

Perspective

Pastor Tom

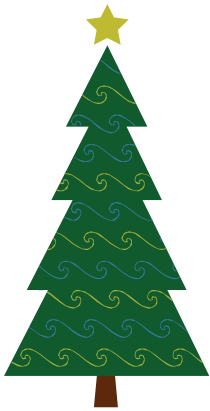
THIS WAS A TEST

Should there be an actual tornado or severe thunderstorms, we will cancel worship services. On Wednesday, December 2, we had the possibility of severe weather. Public schools cancelled their after school programs, tornado warnings were issued, severe thunderstorms and high winds were believed to be coming our way. With that in mind, our leadership felt it was better to be safe than sorry. We did not want to cook porkchops for 80 and then have 10 swim in. Nor did we want children to be dropped off for the AWANA Ministry and then be stranded at the church campus with no lights or electricity.

Unfortunately we do not have a great way to call everyone to let them know the status of the services. In the future, it will be a safe guess to believe if the public schools are let out or cancelled due to weather alerts, JIBC will also be closed. This seems to be the best policy for the safety of our families.

CHRISTMAS SEASON AT JIBC

This coming Sunday will be the third Sunday of Advent. I love the Christmas season and all of its celebrations. Remember to make plans to join us on Wednesday, December 16, as we go Christmas Caroling in the Community. We will provide the song brochures of the songs we sing. You provide the happy attitude and smiling face...good voices are not required for this event. Dress "Christmassy" and wear a Christmas hat (Santa hat, reindeer antlers, etc) and come and have a great time. Share the joy with someone else.



INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS

There is still plenty of time to make an offering to this year's International Missions fund, the Lottie Moon Christmas offering. We are so blessed to have several of our own church family who benefit directly from this offering. This particular offering goes to provide support materials and supplies to our missionaries. Their salaries are supported through the Co-operative Program giving. This is a great way to make a Christmas gift go a long way. Really, a long way, sometimes on the other side of the world.

Blessings to you and your families as you enjoy the most wonderful time of the year!
Pastor Tom

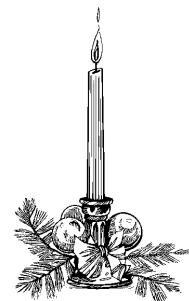
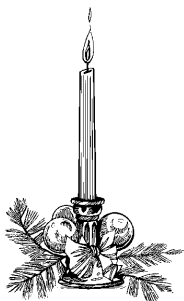
Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

6 p. m.

The Lord's Supper

Believer's Baptism

Childcare provided



Weekly Updates

Deacons for the Month of December
*Please feel free to call these deacons
 for ministry or prayer*

Frank O. Hunt	795-5401
Danny Williamson	851-9316
Rodney Beard	571-7611
Curtis Moody	795-9176

Extended Session Schedule for December

December 13	Charles Oliver's class
December 20	Jan Cooper's class
December 27	Janie Brown's class



Supper Time
Wednesday, December 16:
 Chicken breast in gravy, rice,
 green beans, squash, fruit,
 salad and dessert

* Last night for supper until the New Year

A Look At The Numbers...

Projected budget	
October 2009:	\$493,812
Actual received through	
October 2009:	\$426,893
This week's budget	
requirement:	\$11,419
This week's budget	
receipts: 11/29/09	\$6,526

Prayer Requests

Home/Hospital

- Lisa Oberg (Home)
- Marcella Malphrus (HealthSouth)
- Peggy Atwater
- Margie Jackson
- Emily Thomas
- Patty Baldree
- Marvin Sineath
- Jerry Wright
- Ron Hanna
- Beulah Alexander
- Robin Clayton
- Harper Drolet (MUSC Children's Hospital)
- Callan Swain (Home)
- Carole Baker
- Larry and Elinor Hamblin
- Kai Dutton
- Bill and Bev Driggers
- Charles and Judy Dillon
- Sharon Owens (Sam and Joyce Owens' daughter-in-law)

Mission Prayer

- Refuge Point Recovery – Pastor Ted
- Ryan and Kristin Parker – South Asia
- Chinese Fellowship
- All Stars Children's Worship
- Hispanic Church
- Nicole Wilcox - South Africa
- Charles and Judy Dillon – New Orleans
- John and Yi Ling Pittman – Asia
- Pastor Marius Moisin-Campulung, Romania

Military

Josh White, Andrew Iler, Wade Suggs, Kevin Stirgus, Drew Monroe, Marcus Montez, Taisha McLaurin, Marty Sineath, Brad Jackson, Aaron Diezman, Addison Poole, Travis Kornahrens, Mauronda Wilder, Jack Blevins, Art Perez, Timothy Marlowe, Bryan James Walker, Scott Thomas, Staff Sgt. Edwin Brown, PFC James Garner, Adam Clack

Ongoing Events

Sundays

- 8:30a Blended Traditional Worship
9:45a Bible Study
10:00a Hispanic Church in Spanish
11:00a Contemporary Worship
Chinese Worship
All Stars
(Children's Worship)
5:00p Middle School (5th-8th-grade)
High School (8th-12th-grade)
Worship in Youth
Room (Dinner provided—\$2)
6:00p Celebrate Recovery @
Common Grounds Café
6:30p Praise and Prayer in Library

Mondays

- 1:30p Senior Aerobics
5:45p W.I.T. Fitness

Tuesdays

- 6:30p Men's Bible Study (Genesis
classroom)

Wednesdays

- 5:30p Family Fellowship Dinner
6:00p AWANA
7:00p First Place 4 Health
7:00p Adult Bible Study and Worship

Thursdays

- 1:30p Senior Aerobics
5:45p W.I.T. Fitness



The Church at Riverland Terrace
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Ministry



Anyone who would like to help sponsor a Child in foster care for Christmas, please call Sharon Poole at 795-5251 or email at spoole1188@bellsouth.net

Bulletin Board

The JIBC Christmas Card Post Office is now opened. The money you save in postage can be given to the International Missions Offering.



Our church family is purchasing poinsettias for our Christmas celebration. If you'd like to purchase one or more plants, please fill out an order form (located in your classroom or in the office) and include payment for \$6.50 per plant. Poinsettias *must* be paid for at the time of order and orders must be received in the church office by Monday, December 14. Make checks payable to JIBC.

Ministry

Shepherd's Cloak Ministry

The Shepherd's Cloak Ministry provides new coats for children and adults who cannot afford them. Primarily, this ministry works with the local school guidance office to know which children are in need. This volunteer hands-on ministry helps the children find a coat that fits, loves them, provides a "Christmas Card" with their picture...all in the name of Jesus. You can volunteer to help sort and size the coats here at JIBC or volunteer to go and help give the coats away. You can also make a donation to that ministry. It's not too late to "sponsor" a coat for a needy child this year. For more information, call Lynn Moyer at 214-4992 or 766-2334.

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