



5:00 p.m.

December 7th

- Hamburgers
- Hot Dogs
- Fries
- Brownies

December 14th

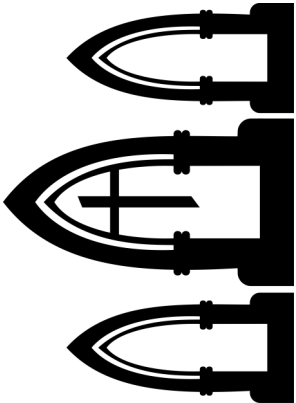
- Steak & Gravy
- Rice
- Corn
- Salad / Bread
- Dessert

\$5/person. \$2/child 12 & under.

\$15 Family Maximum

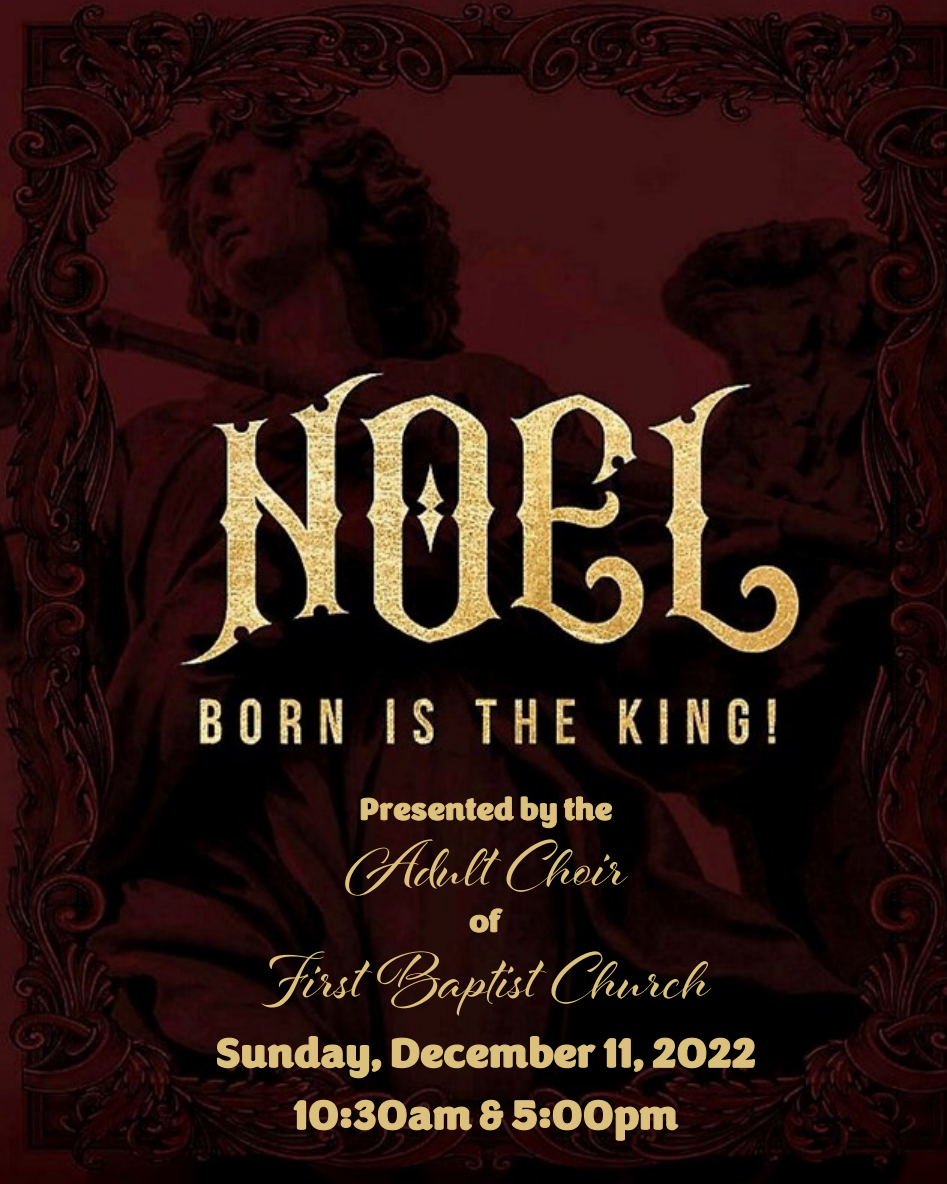
To go plates are for shut ins only.

Please sign up by Tuesday at noon
by calling the church office
409-384-2527, or fbcj@fbcjaspertx.com
or using this QR code

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BORN IS THE KING!

Presented by the
Adult Choir
of
First Baptist Church
Sunday, December 11, 2022
10:30am & 5:00pm

- ### Church Events
- **December 2** - Ladies Christmas Cookie Exchange & Craft Night @ 6pm
 - **December 4** - Sunday School @ 9:15am, Morning Worship @ 10:30am, Widow/Widower's Luncheon @ 12pm, Youth Christmas Party @ 4pm Children's Discipleship @ 5pm, Choir Rehearsal @ 6pm
 - **December 6** - **Happy Years** (55 years plus) Games begin @ 10am, Catered Lunch @ 11:30am followed by Bible Study in the Family Life Center
 - **December 7** - Supper @ 5pm, Prayer Meeting, Adult Bible Study, Ladies Bible Study, Youth & Children's Bible Study @ 6pm, Choir Rehearsal @ 7 pm
 - **December 10** - **2nd Saturday Men's Ministry Breakfast** @ 8am, Family Life Center
 - **December 11** - Sunday School @ 9:15am, Christmas Musical @ 10:30am, Christmas Musical @ 5pm
 - **December 13** - Senior Adult Movie in the Choir Room @ 1pm

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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| Julia Slaton | Dec 07 |
| Hannah Wade | Dec 10 |
| Donnie Wiltshire | Dec 12 |
| Judy Wyche | Dec 12 |
| Kathy Willis | Dec 13 |
| Martha Westmoreland | Dec 14 |
| Kenneth Hodges | Dec 15 |

Our Vision:
To see every life in Jasper transformed by Christ resulting in an impact in His name felt to the very ends of the earth.

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I've Been Thinking...

Dear Church Family,

I remember some years ago seeing a painting of the manger scene. It had most of the usual parts: barn, hay, manger, animals, baby Jesus in the manger. But there was something unusual about the picture. One could imagine that off to the side, out of the picture, there was a window allowing moonlight to stream into the barn. The window must have had grilles or muntins, because as the light of the moon passed through the window it created a shadow in the shape of a cross that fell right across the manger in which Jesus lay. It took a moment for me (back then) to take in the meaning of that simple picture but after thinking it hit me – over the manger bed there was already the shadow of a cross!

The stories are tightly intertwined – the birth story and the cross story. It may seem odd but the two do not make sense unless taken together. The birth story tells us how God came into the world. It gives us insight into the God/man nature of Jesus. The cross story tells us WHY Jesus came into the world. It gives us the purpose that God had in becoming one of us.

In the previous Compass, we took a look at “being on mission with Christ.” I was (and still am) quite excited about how we as a church are moving deeper and deeper into this key aspect of our vision at FBC Jasper. “To see every life in Jasper transformed by Christ . . .” It will be mandatory, if we are to see our vision happen, that we align ourselves with the mission that Jesus had in the world. He came for nothing less than to transform the nature of humankind. And He does that through His life, His death, His resurrection, and His continued presence in the world in His people (in the power of the Holy Spirit) making disciples of all the nations. Our work starts at home. But it touches the world.

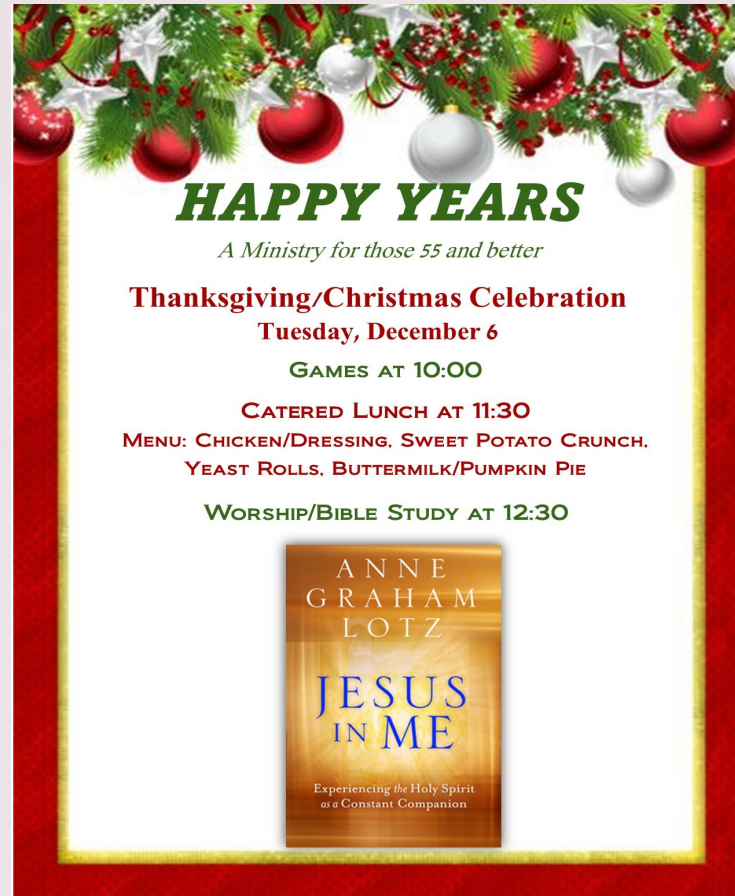
Isn't it exciting to be “on mission with Christ?”! – Yes, it is!

I can't wait. . .

Brother Donnie



A Note from Bro. Woody



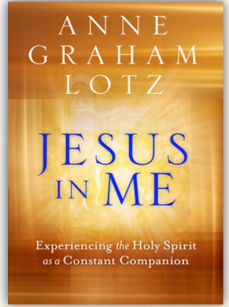
HAPPY YEARS
A Ministry for those 55 and better

Thanksgiving/Christmas Celebration
Tuesday, December 6

GAMES AT 10:00

CATERED LUNCH AT 11:30
MENU: CHICKEN/DRESSING, SWEET POTATO CRUNCH, YEAST ROLLS, BUTTERMILK/PUMPKIN PIE

WORSHIP/BIBLE STUDY AT 12:30



ANNE GRAHAM LOTZ
JESUS IN ME
Experiencing the Holy Spirit as a Constant Companion



Senior Adult Movie

Tuesday, December 13th
1:00 p.m.
Choir Room



EDWARD HERRMAN BAILEE JOHNSON NANCY STAFFORD
BASED ON THE BELOVED, CLASSIC HOLIDAY TALE.
CHRISTMAS ORANGES
A GREAT MOVIE THAT TELLS A COMPELLING STORY.
— THE DOVE FOUNDATION

A Page from Jim's Journal

The Wednesday before Thanksgiving break, our students gathered for a testimony night. We had just learned how “God is always at work” the week before and I challenged the students to share how they have seen God at work in and around them. Truly, I went into Thanksgiving break encouraged and thankful for the time I spent listening to these students share their stories. To be honest, many of the stories were not filled with victory. There is a lot of sadness and a lot of pain in these students lives. But each of those stories pointed to their hope in Christ.

How often do we take the time to speak to one another about the great work of God in our lives? Sometimes we do not share because we don't have these great “red sea” stories. More times than not I see God working in the small, everyday moments. He is constantly sanctifying the believer. Even when we don't see it, He is working. Psalm 71:15-16 says, “My mouth will tell of your righteous acts, of your deeds of salvation all the day, for their number is past my knowledge. With the mighty deeds of the Lord God I will come; I will remind them of your righteousness, yours alone.”

Oh God, would you constantly remind us of all that You have done. Please open our eyes, to see past worldly things, that we may see You at work. Then once we see Your work, give us the courage to join you in that work and tell others how great You are! Jesus it is in Your name I pray, Amen. - Jim



FBC YOUTH CHRISTMAS PARTY

December 4th
4 PM - 6 PM
IN THE GYM

- COOKIE DECORATING CONTEST
- PAINTING WOOD ORNAMENTS
- DEVOTION
- FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP

December 10th
Free Breakfast 8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.
FBC Family Life Center
Guest Speaker:
Judge Mitch Templeton
172nd District
Grew Up in First Baptist Church

Men's Ministry
First Baptist Church, Jasper Texas



Christmas begins with Christ

First Baptist Christian School
Christmas Program
Sunday, December 18th | 5:00 pm

Light refreshments will be served following the program in the Family Life Center



Cookies Please!

The church will serve refreshments to families attending the First Baptist Christian School Christmas Program on December 18th at 5pm. Please sign up to bring cookies in the foyer or church office and bring your cookies Sunday morning, December 18th.