

SERMON NOTES

December 11, 2016

SUNDAY MORNING ADULT BIBLE CLASSES JANUARY AND

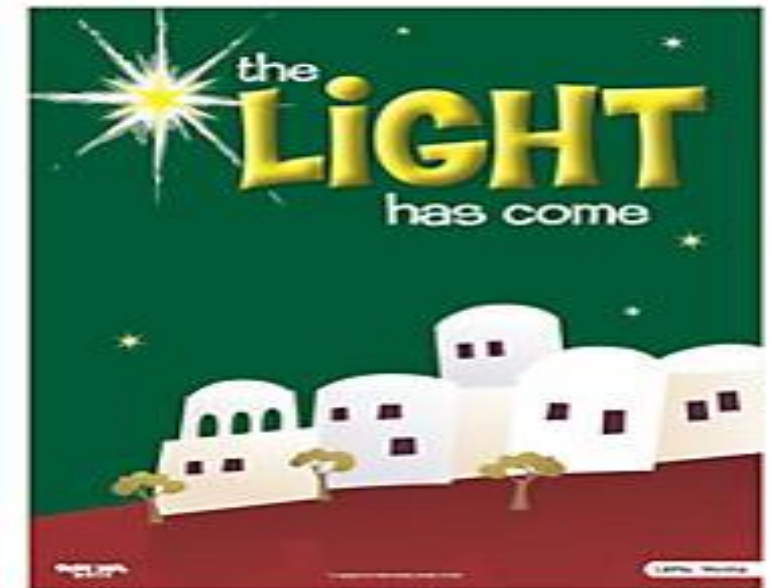
FEBRUARY: As human beings, there are some natural tendencies (Romans 7) that as followers of Jesus we need to learn to change, through yielding to the Holy Spirit, in order to reflect the character of Christ. Forgiveness does not come naturally to most people but it is fundamental to obedience in the life of a disciple of Jesus (Ephesians 4:31-32). Some of our Adult Bible Class teachers are participating in a series of lessons on the subject of forgiveness called "70X7" (Seventy Times Seven) in a variety of styles. As well as the 9:30 AM classes, Pastor Jeff will be preaching on the subject most weeks during January and February. **Note:** After this series, classes are resuming with their various materials and topics. No follow-up series planned at this time.

Here is a list of the 9:30 AM Adult Bible Study options **starting January 8** (AKA-Adult Sunday School). A complete description and map are available at the Welcome Center in the front door foyer.

- 70X7 Series about Forgiveness using DVD and discussion – Location: Family Center Room 6 (Tim Poludniak and Shon Sain)
- Knowing Our Great God series continues – Location: Founder's Room (Dr. Bill Bowen)
- 70X7 Series about Forgiveness with live teaching following the outline – Location: Lounge (Dr. John Thomas)
- 70X7 Series about Forgiveness using DVD and discussion (Ladies) – Location: Children's Hall, Across from the Nursery (Sheryl Lundin)
- Hispanic Ladies – Location: Family Center gym near the kitchen
- Hispanic Men – Location: Family Center gym near the hallway doors

LADIES BIBLE STUDIES:

- The Tuesday morning ladies will begin a new study after the holidays.
- The Tuesday evening ladies meet at Belinda Willard's house, 22 Tremont Court, Newark, DE 19711. Their study is "The Mission of Jesus" by Ray Vander Laan. They will meet Tuesday, December 13, and then resume their study on January 10.
- The Saturday Morning Bible Study that meets at Sally Bowen's house will resume their first and third Saturday schedule after the holidays.



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WELCOME VISITORS: We want you to feel like family. If this is your first visit to Faith Baptist, we have a gift for you. Would you please fill out a Connection Card and bring it to our Welcome Center in the front lobby? On the Connection Card, would you let us know how we can pray for you and/or your family? Thank you for joining us today!

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CONNECTION CARD

Please tear off the Connection Card and leave it at the Welcome Center desk in the foyer or give it to an usher or to a pastor on the way out. Thank you.

Date _____ Status: Single Married Other

Name(s) _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone(s) _____

Email _____

Age: 13-19 20-29 30-39 40-49 50-59 60-69 70+

First visit Returning visitor Would like a visit from a pastor

New to this area – I/We am/are from _____

Heard about FBC from _____

Would like information about this church

Would like information about becoming a Christian

Other:

Future Activities

Dec 12	Ladies Book Club at Kadkes
Dec 18	10:45 AM Children's Christmas Celebration
Dec 24	Christmas Eve (7 PM)
Dec 25	10:45 AM Worship Service, No Sunday Sch.
Jan 1	10:45 AM Worship Service, No Sunday Sch.
Jan 8	Winter Focus Group Sessions begin
Jan 14	AWANA and Sunday Children's Workers Training
Feb 7	Super Bowl Strategic Initiative
March 4	In House Ladies Retreat
March 11	AWANA Games, Dover
March 19-28	Israel Trip
April 9	Seder Presentation
April 16	Easter
June 17-24	Missions Trip to Painesville, OH
July 16	King's Brass
July 17-21	VBS
Aug 6-12	Word of Life Camp

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Jesus said "I am the Light of the world..." (John 8:12a) and Jesus also said in the Sermon on the Mount, "You are the light of the world ..." (Matthew 5:14a). John 1:12 explains why, who and how people can be light in this world. This month, sermons and musicals will explain various aspects of this "Light". If you miss a sermon, you can watch it on line at <http://www.fbcwilmington.com/sermons/>

Parents of children in K-6th grade have the option of allowing their children to go directly from Sunday School to Faith Kids (Jr. Church) or come to the worship service and leave during the last congregational song today.

Call to Worship

Angels from the Realms of Glory (v. 1,2,5) No. 259
Worthy, You are Worthy No. 260

Word/Prayer

Away in a Manager No. 261

Prayer and Giving

Landon Rendon

The First Noel (v. 1,2,6) No. 265

O Little Town of Bethlehem No. 250
It Came Upon the Midnight Clear (v. 1,2,4) No. 251

Special Music

Ladies Ensemble

Message

The Theology of Christmas Pastor Jeff
John 1:3-5 (Part Two)

THIS EVENING

Tonight, starting at 6:30 PM, **SONGS OF THE SEASON** - a very casual mixture of Christmas music. There will be a variety of musical talents and selections with congregational singing. The program will not be scripted like the Christmas Eve service. Instrumental selections, vocal soloists and groups are anticipated. We will meet in the Worship Center.

Note: We will not have Sunday evening activities December 18, December 25 or January 1. Winter Sunday Evening Focus Groups will begin January 8.

PLEASE SILENCE CELL PHONES AND ALL MOBILE DEVICES

WI-FI SECURITY CODE: LoveGod!

NEXT SUNDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 18, CHILDREN'S MUSICAL – 10:45 AM: "The Light Has Come" will be presented as part of the morning Worship Service. Children who attend Sunday School and/or our AWANA ministry are the singers. This is a kid-friendly musical that tells who Jesus is and why He came to earth. Faith Kids (Grades K-6) will be in the Worship Center for the entire service. There will be no activities that evening.

CHRISTMAS EVE: This year our Christmas Eve service, December 24 at 7:00 PM, will feature our Adult Choir's presentation of "Morning Star". Other musical selections will be performed as well. Bring the whole family for an inspirational evening.

NOTE FROM OUR DEACONS RE: CHRISTMAS GIFT TO OUR PASTORS AND STAFF: Christmas time gives us an opportunity to express our appreciation for your pastors and staff with a monetary gift. If you wish to participate with a contribution, there are envelopes at the Welcome Center, on the literature stand between the glass front doors and at the main bulletin board by the Founders Room. Use these envelopes only for this Christmas gift. If you are writing a check, please make it payable to CASH and place the special envelope in the offering plate. These gifts are not tax-deductible. Thank you in advance for your contribution. The gifts will be presented at the Christmas Eve service.

CHRISTMAS MORNING, DECEMBER 25: Christmas is a special time when families gather together. We, as your Faith Baptist Church family, will gather for our 10:45 am service to celebrate Jesus! However, we will not have Sunday School or evening activities.

NEW YEAR'S DAY: The first service of the year, Sunday, **January 1**, will be an extended communion. The music and message of that service will be intermingled with the partaking of the elements of the Lord's Table. The service starts at 10:45 am. No Sunday School or evening activities that day.

With New Year's Eve on Saturday, we are not planning a church wide New Year's Eve program on campus this year. However, several families will be having fellowship in their homes. There are sign-up sheets at the Welcome Center inviting you to host/attend a home fellowship. Fill out the top of a form if you would like to host people at your home. If you plan to attend someone's home, please sign up on the location of your choice so the host can contact you about their plans for the evening.

CHILDREN'S WORKERS TRAINING MEETING: Pastor Dave is asking all of our Sunday morning and AWANA workers to come to FBC on January 14, 2017, from 12:30-2:30 PM to discuss children's ministry procedures and upcoming plans.

WEDNESDAY EVENING MINISTRIES

- 6:30-8:00 PM **AWANA.** Sparks meeting at Cadia for caroling. T&T girls will be caroling outdoors, weather permitting.
- 6:30-8:00 PM **Youth Group** will start in the Youth Group basement for their Christmas Party.
- 6:35 PM **Adult Prayer and Bible Study:**
 - Hispanic Bible Study and Prayer - Location: Lounge
 - English Bible Study and Prayer - Location: Worship Center

COLLEGE STUDENTS: Pastor Dave would like to arrange making contact with our college students while they are in town for Christmas break. Parents/grandparents, please communicate by signing up on the bulletin board or at the Welcome Center, email at dlundin@fbcwilmington.com or texting 302-250-1928. Gatherings will be set up when we know the college students break schedule.

THIS WEEK DECEMBER 11 – DECEMBER 18

Sunday, December 11

9:00 AM Prayer Group
9:30 AM Child SS & Adult Bible Classes
10:45 AM Morning Worship Service
4:00 PM Children's Christmas Musical Rehearsal
5:00 PM Christmas Eve Cantata Practice
6:30 PM Focus Night-Prepare Your Heart for Christmas

Monday, December 12

7:00 PM Trustees Meeting
7:00 PM Ladies Book Club at Kadtkes

Tuesday, December 13

7:00 AM Prayer Group
9:30 AM Many Hands
7:00 PM Evening Ladies Bible Study at Willards

Wednesday, December 14

6:30 PM AWANA Clubs
6:30 PM Youth Group
6:35 PM Bible Study and Prayer

Sunday, December 18

9:00 AM Prayer Group
9:30 AM Child SS & Adult Bible Classes
10:45 AM Children's Musical "The Light Has Come"
5:00 PM Christmas Eve Cantata Practice
No Evening Activities

AT A GLANCE

Giving Update	October	Year to Date
General Tithes & Offerings	\$61,638	\$215,495
Budget	\$67,914	\$244,490
Difference	-9.2%	-11.9%

NURSERY SCHEDULE

Wed., December 14: B.Willard/C.McLaughlin
Sunday, December 18
SS Hour: F.Tenney/C.Strunk
AM Worship: C.Sain/B.Willard/One Needed

PRAYER TEAMS & MISSIONARIES

LADIES: K.Ronan/B.Taylor/L.Timchak

MEN: R.Short/J.Ronan/B.Briggs



Prison Outreach of Delaware/Reisacher/Rubin