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ENCOUNTER · EQUIP · ENGAGE

*This Sunday, December 24*

BLENDED MORNING SERVICES



9:00 & 10:30 A.M.

WE WILL NOT HAVE SUNDAY SCHOOL &  
CHILDCARE WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE



## CHRISTMAS EVE

CANDLELIGHT SERVICES

THIS SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24

4:00, 6:00 & 8:00 P.M.

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC BEGINS 30 MINUTES PRIOR  
TO EACH SERVICE · FAMILY FRIENDLY EVENT FOR ALL

WATCH THE SERVICE AT HOME ON KWES (NBC9)  AT 10:30 P.M.

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Dr. Darin Wood  
Senior Pastor

## This Sunday, December 24

9:00 & 10:30 a.m.

"First Christmas" Part 5 - Mary

Dr. Darin Wood

4:00, 6:00 & 8:00 p.m.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Services

Pre-Service Music begins 30 mins. before each service

## From the Pastor

Dear First Family,

Grace and Peace today! As Christmas draws to us this weekend, it's my prayer that you will know the blessings of the God who loved you enough to send Jesus on your behalf. May this Christmas season bless you and your family in a fresh and powerful way.

### CHRISTMAS EVE SCHEDULE

As a reminder, our Christmas Eve schedule is different. We'll have two identical services - 9 AM and 10:30 AM - both in the Worship Center. We don't plan to need the Chapel so let me invite you to join us in the Worship Center. Sunday night, our services will be at 4 PM, 6 PM and 8 PM. If you plan to come at 4, please be aware that's usually our fullest service, so please plan to come early.

New Year's Eve, our schedule will be similar. We will have two identical services - 9 AM and 10:30 AM in the Worship Center. We will not gather for the evening that day.

Sunday, January 7th, we'll return to our normal service hours.

### LOTTIE MOON OFFERING

As December draws to a close, I'd like to encourage each of us to consider a gift to the Lottie Moon Foreign Missions Christmas offering. For us, this is a wonderful way to express our gratitude to the Lord for his kindness to us throughout the last year. May God bless the recipients of the Lottie Moon Offering!

Merry Christmas!

Darin

## FBC End of Year Contributions



All contributions for 2017 must be in the Finance Office by 5 pm on December 31. If you are mailing your gifts, the postmark on the envelope must be on or before December 29. Thank you for your gifts. If you have any questions you may call the Business Office at 432.683.0613 or 432.683.0615. See other ways to give on the back page of this issue.



**FIRST BAPTIST**  
MIDLAND

**NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES  
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27**

**HAPPY** *New Year*

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2017

*Blended Morning Services*

9:00 & 10:30 A.M.


We will not have Sunday School, on-campus activities or an Evening Service. Childcare available for birth-3 yrs

**THE FBC OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED JANUARY 1, 2018**

**No Parking Valet Ministry 12/24 & 12/31**

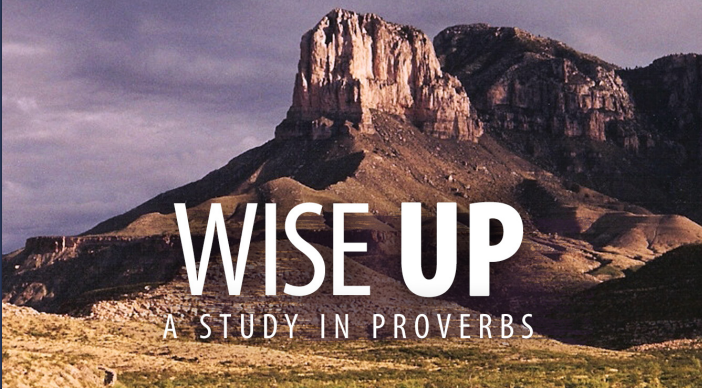
Because there will be no Sunday School December 24 & 31, valet parking services will not be available those Sundays.

## Pastoral Care Ministry: Hospital Visits

 We need your help. With the departure of David Johnson, several of our ministers will be making hospital visits. If you or a family member are going into the hospital, please contact Susan Upham at 432.683.0604 in advance. This will ensure your name will be on our hospital list.

*FBC Church Council minutes, reports, and other information are available on the website at [www.fbc-midland.org/church-council](http://www.fbc-midland.org/church-council) or under the Resources tab on the home page.*

JOIN US SUNDAY, JANUARY 7, 2018 FOR THE BEGINNING OF DR. WOOD'S NEW SERMON SERIES



**SENIOR ADULTS' GAME DAY**

**Thursday, January 4, 2-4:00pm**  
**The AB's Solid Rock Café**



Join us for fellowship, games and fun! Bring a snack to share and your favorite board or card game.

**FBC PRESCHOOL MINISTRY IS NOW HIRING!**

**Minister of Pre-School (Full Time)**

For more information or to submit resume, please contact LaNell Dean at 432.683.0615 or email [ldean@fbc-midland.org](mailto:ldean@fbc-midland.org)

**B.H. CARROLL REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!**

*B. H. Carroll*  
 THEOLOGICAL INSTITUTE

**Acts - Dr. Darin Wood**

Thursdays 6:00—8:40 p.m. in Room E-102. Classes begin January 11 & end March 1.

**Old Testament Introduction - Dr. John Copeland**

Tuesdays 6:00—8:40 p.m. in Room E-102. Classes begin January 9 & end February 27.

For more information, go to [www.bhcarroll.edu](http://www.bhcarroll.edu), call 972.580.7600, or contact Dr. John Copeland at: 432.269.0151 or [copelandjiii@yahoo.com](mailto:copelandjiii@yahoo.com)



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**Our Deepest Sympathies to...**

Sara Draper in the death of her mother, Mrs. Faye Hawkins .

Donita Fain in the death of her father, Herbert Martin.

Glenn Percy in the death of his wife, Carrie Percy.

**MEN'S LUNCHEON**  
**MONDAYS, 11:45AM-1:00PM • \$6 FOR LUNCH**

**December 25 - No Meeting, Christmas Day**  
**January 1 - No Meeting, New Year's Day**

For more information on the Men's Luncheons, please contact Dave Percy at 432.528.4221 or see our web page: [www.fbc-midland.org/men](http://www.fbc-midland.org/men)

**WEDNESDAY FAMILY MEAL**

**Adult Meal \$6/ Hamburger \$4**  
**Salad Bar \$3.50 / Family Plan \$23**

Wednesday Family Meal service begins at 4:45pm in the Fellowship Hall. All meals include one dessert and beverage.

**DECEMBER 27 & JANUARY 3**  
**No Dinner or On-Campus Activities**

**Sunday, December 17, 2017**

Sunday School Attendance

◆ Main Campus .....	1160
◆ Mission Midland .....	100
◆ Media .....	6
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>1266</b>

Week Day Bible Study

◆ CDC .....	124
◆ CDO .....	139
<b>TOTAL BIBLE STUDIES .....</b>	<b>1529</b>

**Stewardship Report**

**December 17, 2017**

Offering	This Week	Year to Date
First Baptist.....	\$ 310,800	\$ 2,023,909
Budget Requirement.....	\$ 264,269	\$ 2,016,806
Over/Under Budget.....	\$ 46,531	\$ 7,103
Hope 1:8 .....	\$ 480	\$ 27,414
Lottie Moon.....	\$ 61,747	\$ 110,403

*Budget numbers adjusted to reflect the actual increase in budget along with a 53 Sunday fiscal year.*



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Media Ministry - 683.0616  
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Library - 683.0625

Live and On-Demand  
streaming of Sunday's  
message is available at  
[www.fbc-midland.org](http://www.fbc-midland.org)

Sunday Morning Services at 8:25 a.m. & 11:05 a.m.

Childcare available for birth - 4 years

Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. (all ages)

Sunday Evening Service at 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Evening Activities 6:00 p.m.

Service Televised weekly at 7:00 a.m. on KOSA (CBS), Channel 7  
& 10:00 a.m. on MyTV, Channel 16 (or DirectTV Channel 40)  
Televised services are on a one-week tape delay

# OUTCAST

finding our place in God's kingdom

## 2018 IMPACT WEEKEND

### SAVE THE DATE: FEBRUARY 16-18

## FIRST BAPTIST

—STUDENT MINISTRY—

for students 7th - 12th grades

### Scholarship for Children with Autism

The Brotherhood & Royal Ambassadors encourage FBC families to collect clean, slick & colored paper that can be brought to FBC & deposited in MARC containers located around FBC. Please, **NO** cardboard, Styrofoam or Christmas paper. PLEASE BAG ALL SHREDDED MATERIALS! Questions? Call Dr. Gene Spires, 432.682.8401. Please do not call church office. **LOCATIONS OF MARC CONTAINERS:** North doors at Fellowship Hall, Valet Parking entrance on Garfield, in the Art Gallery.



### FBC now offers the opportunity for online giving using your smart phone, tablet, or home computer. Its Fun, Simple, and Secure.

#### To Give via the FBC Website:

- On your computer browser, visit [www.fbc-midland.org/how-to-give](http://www.fbc-midland.org/how-to-give)
- Click on the "Give Online" link
- Fill out the information requested as either a first time giver or as a registered user

#### Text to Give:

- In your smartphone SMS window, text FUNDS to 432-201-3327. You will receive a list of fund names available for donations.
- Text the amount + fund name (ie. \$10 Lottie Moon) where you want your gift attributed
- First time donors are prompted to visit a secure URL to register and provide debit card information.
- Once completed the donations will be processed and you will receive a confirmation text.

#### ShelbyNEXT Giving Smart Phone App:

- Visit the Apple or Google Play store to download the ShelbyNEXT | Giving App
- Search for our organization by name (First Baptist Church Midland) or by zip code (79701)
- Select our church and create and account if a first time user...otherwise, enter your login information
- Click the "Give Now" option at the top of the app.

