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From our Pastor

Beloved,

Jacob Walker was a lighthouse keeper on Robbins Reef, off the rocky shore of New England. After many years of faithfully minding the light, he became ill and died. His wife buried his body on the hillside above the shore on the mainland, in view of the lighthouse.

Mrs. Walker later applied for and received an appointment as the keeper of the lighthouse. For twenty years she carried on alone. Then, one day, a newspaper reporter showed up to get her story. She told him, "Every evening I stand in the door of the lighthouse and look across the water to the hillside where my husband's body is buried. I always seem to hear his voice saying, as he often said when alive, "Mind the light! Mind the light!"

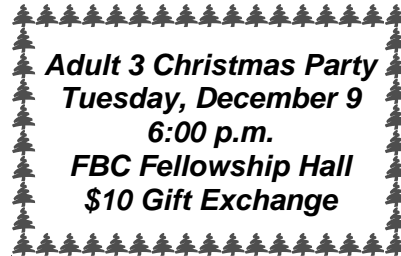
Minding the light should be at the heart of our mission as a church. Throughout the month of December, we will be receiving our annual Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions. Our church goal is \$28,000.00. I want to ask you to give as generously as possible to this offering.

One of the good things about this missions offering is that 100% of it goes directly to International Missions. Our church keeps none of it. No administrative costs or overhead is taken out. It goes directly to mission fields around the world where it makes a huge difference.

Isaiah 9:2 says, "The people who walk in darkness will see a great light; those who live in a dark land, the light will shine on them." (NASB) Will you pray and give generously so that people in darkness can know the Light?

Minding the Light,

Pastor Russell




Adult 3 Christmas Party
Tuesday, December 9
6:00 p.m.
FBC Fellowship Hall
\$10 Gift Exchange

ASSOCIATIONAL DISASTER RELIEF TRAINING
Saturday, December 6
FBC Fellowship Hall
 Registration 8:00 am
 Training 9:00 am - 3:00 pm
 Lunch provided.
 Men and women welcome. Age 18 and above
 No charge. No pre-registration. Just show up.

Training is open to any Southern Baptist church member who is at least 18 years of age. Attending training is necessary to serve. Everyone is required to attend both Intro to Southern Baptist Disaster Relief and Feeding Unit/Line Serving training. Associational training covers Feeding, Chain Saw, and Damage Assessment.

Join us Saturday!!!

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS AND INTERNATIONAL MISSION STUDY
 NOV. 30 - DEC. 7, 2008


GO TELL
 the story of Jesus

LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING®
 National Goal: \$170 million
 Our Goal: \$28,000




HANGING OF THE GREEN
Sunday, December 7
6:00 p.m.
Featuring
The OBU Chorale

**WELCOME
NEW MEMBERS!!!**
By Letter



Robert Thielbar
100 S Pioneer, Lot 71

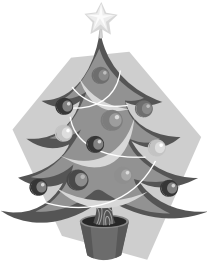
**ACTIVITIES
BUILDING
SCHEDULE**



Gym Hours:
Dec 8 Gym Closed
Dec 9 6:00-8:00 p.m.
Dec 10 5:00-9:00 p.m.
Dec 11 Gym Closed

**HEART OF
CHRISTMAS**

The tree is up!!! This year each heart has a dollar amount on it. Please return the heart in your offering envelope or to the church office no later than Wednesday, December 17. Part of the donations will go toward gifts for children involved in our Church & Hispanic ministries.



Doc's Notes



Graded Choirs:

Parents, Our Christmas program is Sunday evening, Dec. 14. ALL 3yr. old – 6th grade choirs will meet in their choir rooms at 5:00 p.m. The adults and youth choir will also meet in the sanctuary at 5:00 p.m. Please make every effort to be “on time” so the choirs will have time to rehearse and line up.

Mark your calendars for these “concerts”:

1. Dec. 7 – OBU Chorale
[Hanging of the Green, PM]
2. Dec. 14 – FBC Music Ministry Christmas program, PM
3. ALL FBC “Caroling” – Sunday evening, Dec. 21st.

“TOYS” – Old Mexico for Christmas

The Sanchez family will be visiting family in Mexico and have asked for TOYS to take to children as a mission project in December. ALL toys will be needed by Dec. 15th. Goal – 100 toys for boys and girls!

Doc

Extended Session:

Babies:
Sara Cloud/Lori Cloud

1 year olds:
Shari Coon/Janet Cromer

2 year olds:
Vicki Callaway/Tammy Allison

3 year olds:
Jennifer & Coy Jacks

4 year olds:
Wallace & Linda Baker



Weekly Report
November 30, 2008

The People Came...

Sunday School Attendance

Adults	255
Youth.....	61
Children.....	77
Preschool.....	55
Fellowship.....	28
Total	476
Hispanic Mission.....	37
Total *incl. mission.....	513
New S.S. Members.....	3
Enrollment:.....	1376

The People Gave...

Budget Needs	\$28,258.00
Received.....	\$34,303.00
Above.....	\$6,045.00
Building Need.....	\$3,462.00
Received.....	\$23,492.83
Above.....	\$20,030.83

And the Lord Added...

By Letter	1
By Statement.....	0
By Baptism.....	0
Professions of Faith.....	0

Year to Date


Additions

By Letter.....	34
By Statement.....	2
By Baptism.....	18
Total.....	54

Giving

Budget Need.....	\$1,356,384.00
Received.....	\$1,548,021.73
Above.....	\$191,637.73
Building Need.....	\$166,176.00
Building Received...	\$219,071.89
Balance on Note	\$204,000.00

The Lottie Moon Post Office is open.



You may “deliver” your church family Christmas cards here and donate the postage saved to our Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

Coming Events

- Dec 7 8:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast/Disaster Relief Mtg, FH
 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship
 4:00 p.m. ESL
 4:30 p.m. Youth Handbells/Choir
 Disciple's Prayerlife
 5:00 p.m. Baptist Faith & Message Study, AD4
 6:00 p.m. Hanging of the Green/OBU Chorale
- Nov 30-Dec 7 Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions and The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering
- Dec 8 6:30 p.m. CARE Outreach Team A
- Dec 9 6:45 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast, Fellowship Hall
 6:00 p.m. Adult 3 Christmas Party, FH
- Dec 10 4:00 p.m. Graded Choirs
 5:00 p.m. Fellowship Meals - Make Reservations!!!
 5:15 p.m. Preschool Choirs
 5:45 p.m. Weekly Teacher's Meeting, AD6
 6:00 p.m. AWANA; Youth Teacher's Mtg.; ESL
 DivorceCare
 6:30 p.m. Weds Worship; Regenerate; The Island
 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir
- Dec 11 6:30 p.m. Adult 8 Christmas Party, FH
 Adult 4 Christmas Party, Thomas' home