

**YEAR END NOTES FROM YOUR
FRIENDLY FINANCIAL MINISTRY ASSISTANT**

- ◆ As 2018 comes to a close, please keep this in mind when making your contributions. Contributions can only be claimed in 2018 for tax purposes if received by the church prior to 12/31/18. The only exception is if mailed (postmarked) on or before 12/31/18.
- ◆ 2018 Contribution Statements will be mailed to home addresses the week of January 28, 2019. If you have moved or have a change of address please notify the church office.
- ◆ The 2019 offering envelopes are available outside the church office. If you are unable to locate yours please contact Belynn East in the church office for assistance.



In our six-week study of **BAPTIST ESSENTIALS**, we will learn what separates Southern Baptist churches from other denominations. We will begin by looking at the fundamental

question: What is a church? If we don't know *what* we're building, we're going to make a mess – definitions matter. From there, we'll unpack that definition looking at church membership (week 2), discipline (week 3), and the ordinances (week 4). If these are important for a healthy church, then it makes sense that there'd be people to guard that—so in week 5, we'll look at church governance and the roles that both the congregation and church leadership have. Finally, we'll talk about what the church should do when it gathers together (week 6). In all these things, we are not so concerned about the latest book with the latest idea – we want to hear from God – to see what He says about the church and how we should organize our lives together. The class will begin on Sunday, January 6, at 9:00 a.m. in Room 300.

LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING envelopes are available outside the Sanctuary. **FBC GOAL - \$12,000.00** **Received to Date - \$10,712.40**

Don't forget to check the **Lottie Moon Post Office** for your mail!

SAMFORD, MTI CLASS, *Introduction to New Testament*, will begin on Monday, January 21, at 6:00 p.m. For more information see the church website, oneontafbc.org. Books are available in the church office.



Larry Gipson, Pastor
Micah Head, Minister of Students
Gary Morgan, Interim Minister of Music
Dan Sims, Pastor Emeritus

CAROLS, CANDLES, & COMMUNION
Christmas Eve



MONDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2018

5 PM

 **First Baptist Church**
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Prelude.....Wayne Bailey

Welcome.....Larry Gipson

Songs of Praise and Worship

Angels We Have Heard on High...No.100
It Came Upon The Midnight Clear...No.93

The Christmas Story: How Jesus Came into Our World

Scripture Reading.....Jim Henderson

Luke 2:1-20 (All children come forward)

Song of Praise and Worship

Joy To The World...No.87

Lighting of the Advent Candle.....

Bill & Susan Baker, Nick, Ashley, Madeline & Zoey Conigilio

The Christ Story: Why Jesus Came into Our World

Scripture Reading.....Larry Gipson

John 1:1-10; Isaiah 53:1-10

Song of Praise and Worship

O Come, All Ye Faithful...No. 89

The Communion: Celebrating Jesus in Our Lives

Scripture Reading.....Larry Gipson

Luke 23:32-49; Hebrews 9:11-14

The Lord's Supper

The Commission: Carrying Jesus into Our World

Scripture Reading.....Larry Gipson

Matthew 5:14-16; John 3:19-21

Message in Song.....Wanda Gipson

O Holy Night

Lighting of the Candles

Song of Praise and Worship

Silent Night, Holy Night, No...91

Closing Remarks.....Larry Gipson

Silence for Reflection: *We will spend the next few moments silently reflecting on our time together this morning. When the music resumes, this will mark the conclusion of the service. We invite everyone to converse with one another as you depart.*

Postlude.....Wayne Bailey

After the service, ushers will be standing at all the doors to take an offering for the Hope House. If you have an offering for the General Fund or Lottie Moon, please indicate that on an envelope. Envelopes are available in the pews or on the tables outside the sanctuary.



UPCOMING EVENTS

- Tuesday, December 25** **Christmas Day**— Office & CDC Closed
- Wednesday, December 26** No Activities or Bible Study
- Sunday, December 30** 9:00 Sunday School
10:15 Worship (no afternoon or evening Activities)
- Monday, December 31** CDC Closed, Church Office Open
- Tuesday, January 1** Church & CDC Offices Closed
- Wednesday, January 2** No Activities or Bible Study
- Sunday, January 6** "I Believe In The Tithe"
- Wednesday, January 9** Return to Regular Wednesday Night Schedule

