

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK OF DEC. 15 - DEC. 21**

**Sunday, December 15**

9:00 a.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal  
 9:15 Media Center Open  
 9:30 Sunday School Classes  
 10:45 Gathering in Sanctuary for Worship  
 12:15 p.m. Visitation Assignments  
 3:15 Youth Vocal Ensemble Rehearsal  
 4:30 Ainesis Rehearsal  
 5:15 Channels Rehearsal  
 5:30 Youth Snack Supper  
 6:30 Sing for God and Psalm 8:2 Rehearsal  
 7:00 A Concert for Christmas—Sanctuary

**Monday, December 16**

10:00 a.m. No Monday Bible Study  
 7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 907

**Tuesday, December 17**

6:45 - 7:45 a.m. Adult I Men's Bible Study  
 9:30 Grace Notes Rehearsal  
 10:30 Grace Notes sing at Brookridge

**Wednesday, December 18**

4:00 p.m. Media Center Open  
 5:00 Sing for God and Psalm 8:2 leave for caroling  
 5:30-6:30 Supper Line Open  
 5:30 Cherub Choir Rehearsal  
 6:30 Grace Notes Rehearsal  
 6:45 Mission Friends, RAs, GAs, Challengers, Acteens  
 Cherub Choir and Grace Notes Christmas Concert  
 7:30 Combined Ainesis and Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal  
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**Thursday, December 19**

11:30 a.m. College Parkers Meeting

**Saturday, December 21**

10:00-11:30 a.m. Birthday Brunch for Rev. Martin - Smith Hall

**Workers in Worship Nursery** December 8, 10:30 a.m.

Clara Edmonds; Athaleta Hendrix; Julie Blink; Angie Somers; Ron & Becky Grubbs; Keith & Joy Minster

**Greeters:** December 8 Wayne & Jennie Lewis

**Deacon of the Week:** Carolyn Matthews

**Properties Comm. Member on Duty:** A.C. Larrimore

**Brookridge Driver:** December 8 Larry Jones

**REPORT FROM DECEMBER 8, 2002**

Sunday School	284
Worship	328
Brookridge	30
Budget Requirement To Date	\$585,452.98
Budget Receipts To Date (87.68%)	\$513,312.42
<b>FULFILLING THE PROMISE</b>	
FTP Pledges	\$743,042.60
FTP Pledged Gifts To Date (79.41%)	\$590,077.27
Total Building Fund Receipts To Date	\$2,517,567.45
Balance Due on Building	\$526,082.48

**Family Night Supper - December 18, 2002**

Oven-Fried Chicken  
 Rice with Gravy Green Beans  
 Yeast Rolls Dessert  
*Kids Meal: Chicken Nuggets, Chips, Applesauce*  
**Make your reservations by Tuesday, Dec. 17!**

**Crisis Control Gifts for December:**

**Muffin Mix or Toothpaste**

*\*42 cans of beef stew and 27 bottles of shampoo were collected at College Park last month*

*"Whatever you do for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you do for me." Matthew 25:40*

James E. Baucom, Interim Pastor  
 Charles D. Edwards, Pastor Emeritus  
 Wm. Foy Martin, Pastor Emeritus  
 Ramon E. Smith, Minister of Youth & Education  
 Jeff L. Parker, Minister of Music & Senior Adults

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# HIGHLIGHTS



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*"A people gathered in Christ; nurtured in His Spirit; and sent in His name."*

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## FROM ONE MINISTER TO ANOTHER . . .

There is no more beautiful or meaningful time than this season which we call Advent, the time of celebration of the coming of the Lord in Jesus. What a difference that event has made in all of history—and in our lives! How we do rejoice together in the coming of the Savior!

I must share with you that we will conclude our ministry with you on Sunday, January 12. Thinking that there would be a person in place here in January, I was open to what the Lord had in store for me after my time with you. I entered into dialogue with the Rivermont Avenue Baptist Church in Lynchburg, Virginia, to serve as their Interim. This is the church that my son, Jim, is leaving and it will be an interesting experience to fill the pulpit vacated by our son. I was already committed to serve with Rivermont during the summer of 2003, while Jim was to have taken a sabbatical—which laid the groundwork for my being contacted to serve as their Interim Pastor. To say that these have been wonderful months for us is to put it mildly. How we do love you! We will genuinely grieve as our time together comes to an end. We will continue to pray for you as God leads you to that person whom He has to be your next pastor.

This Sunday will focus on the music of the season, with both morning and evening services being led by our Music Ministry. I truly love the music of the Christmas season! I will also bring a message at the Morning Worship Service which I have entitled, "A Mary Christmas to You." (Matthew 1: 18-25) There is so much for us to learn from those events surrounding the birth of our Lord. I look forward to seeing you this Sunday, if not before.

*Jim Baucom*

Our prayers and support are offered to the following members of our church family who are, or have been in the hospital in the last week:

**Bob Hoots**



# RAMON'S UPDATES

This past Sunday morning you heard me give a disturbing statistic, but let me repeat it for those who were not with us in worship. Recent surveys have indicated that in the year 2001, Christians in America spent seven times more money on pet food than on mission efforts! That is particularly disturbing since we would hope that Christians have a stronger commitment to missions than "not-yet Christian" people. I hope it is just a question of raising the awareness of the importance of missions, but you have to understand that I heard this statistic three days after returning from Haiti, so it stung even more. I also realize that I am "preaching to the choir," since College Park has always been amazingly strong in their missions giving. I guess we just need to continually remind ourselves that missions efforts around the world are dependent on our faithfulness.

## LOOKING AHEAD...



### DATES OF INTEREST

Saturday, Dec. 14	Youth Progressive Dinner begins 6:00pm
Monday, Dec. 23	Youth Reindeer Games! Smith Hall 6:00pm
January 18-20	Youth Jr/Sr Leadership Training Retreat
January 26	Super Bowl Outreach Party @ Northwest Baptist

### Thank You

Gracious notes of appreciation have been received and posted on the bulletin board from Troy & Vonnie Wood, Paul Onyameh, and the Jerry Anthony family.



*You're Invited to a*  
**90th "Birthday Brunch"**  
*for*  
**Reverend Wm. Foy Martin**  
**Saturday, December 21**  
**10:00 - 11:30**  
**Smith Hall**



# Jeff's Notes

The Christ Child was born into this world for everyone, so the message of love found in the simplicity of a baby in a manger is to be celebrated in many different ways. As we gather for worship this Sunday morning and as we join together again on Sunday evening for a concert, we will celebrate this diversity. Our *Sanctuary Choir* and *Sanctuary Bells* will lead our worship through a variety of styles of music. On Sunday evening we will broaden this diversity even more as we enjoy a concert of Christmas music presented by *Ainesis*, *Channels*, *Sing for God*, *Psalm 8:2*, *Youth Vocal Ensemble* and *EyeWitness*. I hope that both of these services will take priority in your Advent/Christmas celebrations.

Here are a few more special times within our faith community as we draw closer to this special holy-day:

- Wednesday, December 18, 6:45 p.m. - concert by our *Cherub Choir* and *Grace Notes*.
- Sunday, December 22, 10:45 a.m. - *Ainesis* and *Sanctuary Choir* combine to lead morning worship
- Sunday, December 22, 5:00 p.m. - Church-Wide Caroling, join us as we share the songs of Christmas with many of our home-bound members
- Sunday, December 22, 7:00 p.m. - *Family Carol Sing*, join us for an informal time of singing and story telling, bring your favorite Christmas goodies.
- Tuesday, December 24, 5:00 p.m. - *Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service*

*Isaiah 35:1*



Leading us in

**The Worship of God**  
 Sunday, December 15, 10:45 a.m.  
*The Third Sunday of Advent*

*This service of worship will be led by the*  
**Sanctuary Choir and Sanctuary Bells.**

*Celebrating the Christ Child through the unifying gift of music.*

**A Concert of Christmas**  
 presented by  
*Ainesis, Sing for God, Psalm 8:2, EyeWitness,*  
*Youth Vocal Ensemble, and Channels*  
**Sunday, December 15, 7:00 p.m.**

## Welcome New Member

On Sunday, December 8, Eunice Dawkins came to unite with College Park under our Watchcare program. Mrs. Dawkins is a long-time member of First Baptist Church in Graham, NC. She lives at 1199 Hayes Forest Drive, #703B, Winston-Salem, NC 27106, and her phone number is 759-7178. We welcome Mrs. Dawkins into our church family!



## White Christmas December 22, 2002

### 2002 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

Contribution statements for 2002 will be mailed in January. IRS rules state that donors should not file their federal income tax returns before they receive their contributions receipt from the church. Some donors may not be able to deduct certain contributions if they file a tax return before receiving their church contributions receipt.

**College Park's  
International Missions Goal  
\$20,000**

**Received to Date:**  
 Lottie Moon: **\$4,149.00**  
 CBF Global: **1,442.00**  
**\$5,591.00**

### 2003 SANCTUARY FLOWERS

We are deeply appreciative to those who placed memorial and honorary flowers in the sanctuary during 2002. They were a beautiful testimony to the glory of God and a blessing for all to enjoy.

Each year we begin with a new flower calendar. If you would like to place special occasion, honorary or memorial flowers in the sanctuary in 2003, please call the church office at 768-5870.