

# HIGHLIGHTS



College Park Baptist Church

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

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## From Your Pastor...



## Jeff's Notes

As we continue in Advent, it is truly my prayer that we will be able to slow down and enjoy the real meaning of the season. Last week we looked at the first Christian missionaries, the shepherds, and this week will examine "The Journey"...the journey of Mary and Joseph, as well as the journey of the Magi. There may be some new material for you in this sermon, so come ready to worship together, and learn what God would teach us!

Sunday evening we will have no activities here at the church. We invite you to use this time to enjoy some of the seasonal activities of the community (there are many), or just enjoy the evening with family and friends!

Next week I will be away for several days as I deliver Exam Packs to our college students who are getting ready to begin exams. Please pray for me as I travel and for the students as they prepare. If you are able, we would also ask that you prepare some goodies for their Exam Packs. These should be individually wrapped, and brought to the kitchen in the Adult One area this Sunday morning.

*Ramon Smith*

This coming weekend is a very special one for the members of *Channels* and their families. The group will be traveling to Williamsburg, VA, to present a candlelight concert at the historic Bruton Parish Church on Friday evening and then leading in worship on Sunday morning at First Baptist Church, Ahsokie, NC. This will be one of the busiest weekends in Williamsburg, and we feel blessed to have the opportunity to share in this very sacred event. The group was first invited last January and has been working toward this opportunity all fall. As all of you know, *Channels* will certainly represent our God and our church well. I am grateful to each member of the group for their extra work and commitment to make this trip possible. I also look forward to sharing in the fellowship of such a trip with family members as well. I hope you will remember all of the group in prayer as they finish preparations, travel, and sing. On Sunday, Mrs. Sue Hendricks will be leading the *Sanctuary Choir* in our worship. My thanks to her for serving in this way.

Next Sunday, December 14, we will celebrate together through music all day. Our *Sanctuary Choir* will be leading the entire service on Sunday morning and *Channels* will be presenting their concert from Williamsburg at 7 p.m. in the Chapel. I hope you will plan now to be a part of both.

*Jeff*

## Ministry Emphases

### WEEK OF PRAYER

December 7 - 14

#### International Missions

"That All Peoples May Know Him"

and

#### Global Missions

"Everyone...Everywhere - Being the Presence of Christ"

**Goal \$20,000**

*You can help:*

**Pray:** The chapel will be open for prayer during the week of December 7-14. You are encouraged to come by anytime the church is open, enter the chapel, and pray for our missionaries around the world and for God's guidance as to how you can personally help.

**Give:** Envelopes for International and Global Missions are in your regular envelope package. They will also be placed about the church and inserted in your bulletins on December 7. Please give generously during this week of prayer and other times, so that our missionaries will be able to continue to do their work on the global and international mission fields.

The *Girls in Action* have made posters to help remind you of this special week of prayer when each of us can have a very active part in being a missionary as Jesus asked us to do in love.

Our *Royal Ambassadors* have made prayer emblems to assist you in your praying. Please stop by the Prayer Tree on the mezzanine and take one of the emblems from the tree. Spend time in prayer specifically for the missionary whose name is on the ornament. Also pray for the mission field in general.

Our *Women on Mission Groups* are sponsoring a "Hospitality Brunch" on December 13, at 9:30 a.m. All proceeds from this brunch will go for missions. The *Acteens* are taking a very active part in this brunch.

## Matt's Memos

Christmas activity schedule!

December 19th Reindeer Hunt 6pm

22nd Progressive Dinner 6pm

Basketball Schedule - December 6

Jr. Coed 9:30 @ Mount Tabor Methodist

Girls 10:30 @ Old Town Baptist

Intermediate Boys 10:30 @ First Baptist

Senior Boys 11:00 @ First Assembly

Also we want to extend a Congratulations to Nick Johnson (North) and Joseph Burnett (West) on making the All Region High School Soccer Team. Way to go guys!

In Christ,

*Matt*

## White Christmas

December 21, 2003



It's not too late to adopt a needy family for White Christmas! We **need more groups, families, and/or individuals to commit to making Christmas brighter for those less fortunate in our area.** Won't you consider taking advantage of this opportunity to reach out and share Christ's love at this holy time of the year. If you wish to be involved by "adopting" a family, please contact Jim or Mary Jenkins (748-8335) as soon as possible.

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

## Family Night Supper December 10

Baked Chicken  
Mashed Potatoes Steamed Mixed Vegetables  
Yeast Rolls Dessert  
**Make your reservations by Tuesday, Dec. 9!**

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:

*Jean Jones, Blanche Phillips, Russell Vestal*



Christian love and sympathy are expressed to Laurie Cook in the death of her grandmother.



### Handel's Messiah

The 71st annual performance of Handel's **Messiah** will be Sunday, December 7, at 3:00 p.m. in the renovated Reynold's Memorial Auditorium featuring five internationally-known soloists, the 200-voice area-wide choir, and a professional orchestra conducted by Maestro Gary Thor Wedow, of New York. There is no admission charge.

### In Loving Memory of

*Mrs. Nell Louella Cartner Taylor*

February 23, 1914 November 26, 2003  
Member of College Park since January 28, 1990

## N.C. Baptist Children's Home Offering

Goal: \$3,000.00  
Received to Date: \$7,979.27

### Crisis Control Gift for December:

**1 lb. Bag of Rice**

*\*Last month we collected 68 boxes of instant oatmeal, 2 cans of meat, and 4 boxes of Jello.*

### CHILDREN, YOU'RE INVITED!



Families with children ages 2 - 6th grade are invited to help decorate the Chrismon Tree on Saturday, December 6. We hope you can drop in between 10:00 and 11:30 a.m. to have some refreshments, make something special, and share in decorating the tree in the Sanctuary. Meet us in the 2-Year Old Sunday School classroom and be a part of getting our church ready for this special season.

*The Children's Ministry Council*

### REPORT FROM NOVEMBER 30, 2003

Sunday School	277
Worship	336
Brookridge	Not available
Budget Requirement To Date	\$589,519.20
Budget Receipts To Date (83.11%)	\$489,924.59
<b>FULFILLING THE PROMISE</b>	
New FTP Pledges	\$289,522.00
New FTP Pledged Gifts to Date (35.28%)	\$102,157.00
Total Building Fund Receipts To Date	\$2,709,221.90
Balance Due on Building	\$356,533.62
<b>Sound System to Date</b>	<b>\$9,010.00</b>

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 7 - DECEMBER 13

### Sunday, Dec. 7

9:15 Media Center Open  
9:30 Sunday School Classes  
10:45 Gathering in Sanctuary for Worship  
12:15 p.m. Visitation Assignments  
No Evening Activities

### Monday, Dec. 8

10:00 a.m. Monday Bible Study  
5:00 - 6:30 p.m. Basketball Practice - Smith Hall  
7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 907

### Tuesday, Dec. 9

9:30 a.m. Grace Notes Rehearsal  
10:00 Grace Notes leave for Brookridge

### Wednesday, Dec. 10

5:30 p.m. Media Center Open  
5:30 - 6:30 Supper Line Open  
6:00 Cherub Choir, Sing for God, and Psalm 8:2 Rehearsals  
6:15 Children's Ministry Council  
6:45 Prayer Meeting  
Mission Friends, RAs, GAs, Challengers, Acteens  
7:30 Sanctuary Choir, EyeWitness Rehearsals

### Saturday, Dec. 13

8:30 a.m. Sr. Boys Basketball - First Assembly  
9:30 Intermediate Boys Basketball - First Baptist  
WMU International Missions Brunch - Smith Hall  
11:30 Jr. Coed Basketball - Mt. Tabor Methodist

**Workers in Worship Nursery:** December 7, 10:30 a.m.  
Wynona Butner; Garlene Grogan; Rachel Eller; Julie Blink;  
Angie Somers; Liz & Lucy Matthews; Jim & Leigh Ann Pernell  
**Deacon of the Week:** Jerry Cook

**Greeters:** Dec. 7 Wayne & Jennie Lewis  
**Properties Comm. Member on Duty:** Charlie Jones  
**Brookridge Driver:** Dec. 7 Larry Jones  
**Information Center for Dec:** Tony Bates, Trudy Elkins



## THE WORSHIP OF GOD Sunday, December 7

10:45 a.m.

*THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT*

*Lo, How Rose E'er Blooming  
I Wonder As I Wander  
- Sanctuary Choir*

*The Journey, Matthew 2:1-12; Luke 2:4  
- Rev. Ramon Smith*

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