

# The Booneville Baptist

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*A place to belong... a place to become.*

DECEMBER 13, 2009

## OPPORTUNITIES

**December 13 - 19, 2009**

**Deacon on Call: Dr. Ken Goodwin**  
*3rd Sunday of Advent*

### **Sunday, December 13:**

- 9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship  
(WBIP-AM 1400)
- 3:00 p.m. Orchestra Rehearsal
- 4:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
- 6:30 p.m. Evening Worship  
"Only Love"

**followed by Candle Lighting and Tasting Tea**  
(WBVV-FM 99.3)

### **Monday, December 14:**

- 6:00 p.m. WOM Helping Hands Christmas Meeting (home of Danielle Jones)

### **Tuesday, December 15:**

- 8:00 a.m. Ladies Handbells
- 2:00 p.m. G.R.O.W.
- 6:30 p.m. G.R.O.W.

### **Wednesday, December 16:**

- 6:30 p.m. Wednesday YT, Prayer Meeting, Adult Bible Study
- 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Christmas Dinner

### **Thursday, December 17:**

- 6:30 p.m. Deacon/Staff Christmas Dinner

### **Friday, December 18:**

- 8:00 p.m. Sunday Morning Worship Service Broadcast (Cable 16, [www.ubntv.org](http://www.ubntv.org))

Visit our church website ([www.fbcbooneville.com](http://www.fbcbooneville.com)) for upcoming events and previous editions of the newsletter.

## **The Lord's Supper by Candle Light**

**Sunday, December 20th  
6:30 p.m.**

# ONLY LOVE



**Sunday, December 13, 2009  
6:30 p.m.**

The Adult Choir and Orchestra will present the musical "Only Love" on Sunday, December 13th at 6:30 p.m. The music celebrates the birth of Christ. Chock full of wonderful Christmas songs, both old and new, the program is sure to delight every listener. Soloists include Connie Vandiver, Bill Caver, Beverly Greenhaw, Jean Creel, Ken Goodwin, Tim Gilmore, Karen Hatfield, Jim Lamb, Chester Grisham, Mark Hatfield, Britney Whitley and Ben Ford. As a special treat, an orchestra will accompany the choir.

Following the service, participants will enjoy the traditional candle lighting, singing of "Silent Night" and the Tasting Tea. It will be a wonderful highlight of the Christmas season for everyone.

A nursery will be provided for children under four.  
May God bless you this Christmas season!

# The Joy of Giving

By: Dr. Lynn Jones

Fulton Oursler wrote one of my favorite Christmas stories: Pete Richards was in his shop the day a little girl came to his door. The little front window was strewn with the disarray of old-fashioned things: bracelets, gold rings, and necklaces.

On this winter's afternoon a week before Christmas, a child was standing there, her forehead against the windowpane, studying each treasure. Finally, she straightened up and entered the store.

Pete was graying, stooped, and old beyond his years. When the little girl approached him, she said, "Mister, would you please let me look at that string of blue beads in the window?" Pete parted the draperies, lifted out the lovely necklace, and spread the turquoise stones before her. "They're perfect," smiled the child. "Will you please wrap them up real pretty for me?"

Pete studied her with a stony air. "Are you buying these for someone?" he asked. "They're for my sister," she said. "She's the one I stay with, and I've been looking for a great Christmas present for her."

"How much money do you have?" Pete asked impatiently. She had been busy untying the knot in her handkerchief, and now she poured out a handful of pennies on the counter. "I emptied my bank," she explained simply. Pete Richards looked at her. The trusting look in her blue eyes strangely touched him. "Just a minute," he said, and turned toward the back of the store. Over his shoulder he called, "What's your name?" as he quietly removed the price tag. The little girl answered simply, "Mary Grace." When Pete returned, he placed the package in

her hand and said, "There, don't lose it on the way home.

The week passed quickly. On Christmas Eve, the door to Pete's shop opened, and a young woman came in. She drew from her purse an object loosely wrapped in scarlet paper. Presently the string of blue beads lay gleaming again before him.

"Did this come from your shop?" she asked. "Yes, it did," he said. "Are the stones real?" she wanted to know. "Yes," he said, "not the finest quality, but very real."

"Can you remember to whom you sold them?" she insisted. He responded, "She was a small girl. Her name was Mary Grace."

"How much are they worth?" she wanted to know. "The price," he told her simply, "is always a confidential matter between the seller and the customer."

"But Mary Grace has never had more than a few pennies of spending money. How could she possibly pay for them?" her sister asked.

Pete was folding the colorful paper back into its creases, rewrapping the little package as neatly as before. "She paid the biggest price anyone can pay," he said. "She gave all she had."

"But why did you do it?" she pleaded. "It's Christmas," he said, "and it was my misfortune that I had no one to whom I could give a gift."

We're getting very close to Christmas. It is time for us to rediscover the joy of giving.

--Sunday's Sermons:  
AM: "Did You Know?"-Luke 2:1-7  
PM; Adult Choir Christmas Concert  
Candlelighting, and Tasting Tea

## COUNTING COMMITTEE:

Webster Cleveland, Ricky Ford,  
David Jones, JoAnn Long

## USHERS:

### AM

Mark Pitner, Jerry Keeton,  
Buddy Smith, Hubert McDaniel,  
Ernie McCoy, Todd Dickerson

### PM

Earl Millsaps, Travis Browder,  
Dan Volk

## EXTENDED SESSION:

### December Coordinator

Wendy Scott (728-0025)

### December 13:

Wendy Scott  
Lisa Wright  
Erik Dukes

### December 20:

Laurie McBride  
Cheryl Ragan  
Victoria Scott



## Pray for our Homebound:

Mrs. Mavis Morgan  
Mrs. Billie McGlaun

## WELCOME OUR



## NEWEST MEMBER!

Jerry Harrelson  
By Letter

## Proposed Budget for 2010

Proposed budget booklets for 2010 will be ready to be picked up after this Sunday's morning worship service in the front and side foyers. Please take one per family. We will vote on the new budget during business meeting, Wednesday, December 23, 2009.

**December 6, 2009**

Sunday School	273
Budget	\$21,952.42
Designated Offering	<u>4,832.32</u>
Total	\$26,784.74

### **GIFTS RECEIVED**

*Gifts have been received by  
First Baptist Church in*

*memory of*

*Bruce Alexander*

*Retia Dukes*

*Mickey Box*

*Janis Durden*

*Ralph Martin*

*J. T. Smith*

*Lee R. Sherrill*

*Edythe McArthur*

*Bob Hinton*

*Edwin Brown*

*Helen Floyd*

*Ann Wigginton*

*Meghan Murphy Mattox*

*Bettie Lee Bryant*

*R. A. and Sue Kimbrell*

*Looney and Virginia Honeycutt*

*Howard Long*

*Maybelle McBride*

*Maxine Timbes*

*Glen Pounds*

*Blanche Krause*

*Betty Michael*

*Lillian Griffin*

*Mildred McBryde*

*Myra Holley*

*Malone Cartwright*

*Theresa Thompson*

*Elizabeth Cartwright*

*Karl and Keith Wulff*

*Anna Rae Taylor*

*and in honor of*

*Dr. Erik Dukes*

*Dr. Sean Reynolds*

*Glenice Stone*

*Joey and Kathy Brent*

*Dr. Lynn Jones*

*LuAnne Ford*

*Laurie McBride*

*Joey Williford*

*Nanette Yarber*

*William Scott*

*Julia Franklin*

*Peggy McCord*

*Carol Dickerson*

*Vicky Brown*

# MUSIC NOTES



**Adult Choir and Orchestra**  
**Sunday, December 13th**  
**6:30 p.m.**

You will NOT want to miss this incredible service of worship. Please invite others to join us as we celebrate through wonderful music.

### **No Youth Choir Rehearsal**

No rehearsal on Sunday, December 13th  
**7th Grade Youth** will meet in the gym at 6:00 p.m.  
to rehearse for the Candle Lighting.  
All youth will sit in the balcony during the musical, as usual.

Thanks.

### **Special Dates**

**Sunday, December 13th**

Christmas Musical— "Only Love" and Tasting Tea

**Sunday, December 20th**

Christmas by Candlelight

# EDUCATIONAL EVENTS

### **The Spanish Mission is having a Christmas Party!**

If you would like to donate a new toy for the needy children who come to the mission, please drop it off at the church or the Association Office by December 15th. Boy's or girl's toys are welcomed!



### **Lottie Moon Walk-a-Thon**

Thanks to all who participated and will be giving.

We will be contacting sponsors.

**Jamie Bullock** walked the most laps (44).

**Michael Cox** raised the most money (\$272.00) and also gathered the most sponsors (28).

**Total Pledged: \$2,419.05**

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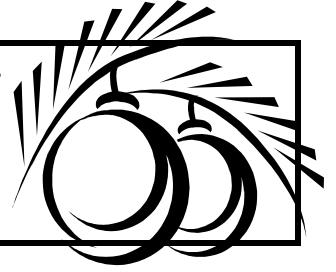
**Web page**

[www.fbcbooneville.com](http://www.fbcbooneville.com)

# YOUTH NEWS

**Youth Christmas Progressive Dinner**  
**Wednesday, December 30th**

More details are coming!



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**LOTTIE MOON  
CHRISTMAS  
OFFERING**

**“WHO’S MISSING?  
WHOSE MISSION?”**

**National Goal: \$175 million**  
**Our Goal: \$23,000.00**

**Given-to-Date:  
\$4,415.00**

**The Booneville Baptist**

