

My Decision Today

- I prayed to receive Christ as my personal Savior.
- I want to be baptized.
- I'm renewing my commitment to Christ.
- I want to join this church.
- I would like to talk to a pastor.
- Other _____

I'd Like Information On

- How to become a Christian.
- How to join this church.
- I'd like someone to contact me and share information about the church.

Prayer Request

For _____

By _____

I would like for this request to be shared in the Wednesday Prayer Service.

Praises

God works in my life through:

Wednesday Noon Luncheon Reservations

To help us in planning our Noon Luncheon, we ask that reservations please be made by Monday.

Meal served starting at 11:45.
Cost: \$4.00

Wednesday Noon Luncheon will resume
January 6, 2010

Return reservations in offering plate.

Name _____
Number of Meals _____

Opportunities of the Week

SUNDAY, December 20

- 9:00 - Morning Worship/Bible Study
- 10:30 - Morning Worship/Bible Study
- 3:00 - Family Christmas Caroling
- 4:30 - *Shout for Joy Biloxi* Fellowship
- 5:00 - Evening Worship/Business Meeting

WEDNESDAY, December 23

No Wednesday Activities

THURSDAY, December 24

Christmas Eve

Church Office Closed

5:00 - Christmas Eve Service

FRIDAY, December 25

Merry CHRISTmas

Church Office Closed

11:00 - Broadcast of Singing Christmas Tree on WLOX

SUNDAY, December 27

9:00 - Morning Worship/Bible Study

10:30 - Morning Worship/Bible Study

Weekly Budget Needs: \$44,197.39

Budget Receipts Last Week: \$64,857.08

Thank You

Grateful! That's the best word to describe the way I feel about all of you who worked diligently to make the 2009 Singing Christmas Tree a reality. You didn't let the tough circumstances discourage you. Instead, you stepped up, dug in, reached higher, and worked together to provide an opportunity for the folks on the Gulf Coast to encounter Christ for themselves through the presentation of the Bethlehem story of Christmas. God used you to bless countless people in our area with the good news of Jesus Christ.

Dr. Argile Smith

OUR CHURCH STAFF

Ashley Austin
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First Baptist Biloxi

December 20, 2009

Welcome

For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given; and the government will be upon His shoulders. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Isaiah 9:6

Thank you for joining with us in worship of the Prince of Peace - Jesus Christ!

2009 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

Goal: \$40,000.00

Given to date: \$15,031.86

Shout For Joy Biloxi Today

Neighborhood Distribution of *Shout For Joy* Bible Study Classes distribute during afternoon

Fellowship Time
Fellowship Hall at 4:30 p.m. for Christmas Cookies

Evening Worship/Business Meeting
5:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Church-wide Events

Shout For Joy Biloxi! - Today, Sunday Morning Bible Study groups are distributing *Shout for Joy* to our community. Neighborhood assignments, maps and instructions are in classrooms this morning. If you would still like to be a part of this ministry outreach, see your Bible Study leader. Everyone will meet back at the church at 4:30 p.m. for a time of fellowship (Christmas cookies & refreshments). At 5:00 p.m., we will have a time of worship along with our December Business Meeting.

Family Christmas Caroling - Families are invited to join at 3:00 p.m. today to carol to our Homebound members. Please sign up in the Preschool Welcome Area.

2010 Contribution Envelopes - Your 2010 contribution envelopes are available for pickup at the west entrance of the Worship Center. If you do not see your envelopes on the tables, and would like a box, please call the church office.

Holiday Office Closing - The church offices will be closed on Thursday, December 24 and Friday, December 25 for Christmas and Thursday, December 31 and Friday, January 1 for New Year's.

Singing Christmas Tree Broadcasts - The Singing Christmas Tree will be broadcast on WLOX - 13 on Christmas Day at 11:00 a.m. and next Sunday, December 27 at 11:00 a.m.

2009 Contributions - Contributions for 2009 must be in the church office no later than Wednesday, December 30, or postmarked by December 31.

High School D'Now 2010 - Yes, it's that time! D'Now 2010 weekend is January 20 - 24. Register by January 13 and the cost is \$40. Register after that date and the cost is \$50. Please sign up by going online to www.fcbiloxi.org. The sign up is located on the main page. Scroll down until you see D'Now 2010. If you have any questions, please contact Amy Matheny at AMatheny@FBCBiloxi.org.

AWANA/Echo Choir Resumes on January 10 - Sunday Night activities for Preschool, Children and Students will resume on January 10 at their regular time.

Marriage Conference – Married Life Fully Alive – Registration begins today for our upcoming Marriage Conference January 17 – 18, 2010. The conference will be led by Drs. Jerry & Bayne Pounds. Cost is \$25 per couple and will include dinner on Sunday & Monday evening. Childcare reservations are required at time of registration. For more information and to register, please see the table outside the Worship Center.

Sermon Notes

*Call Him Jesus
Matthew 1:21*

First Baptist Biloxi

Date _____

Service: 9:00 ___ 10:30 ___ 5:00 ___

First Time Guest ___ Repeat Guest ___

First Name Middle Last

Spouse's Name

Street Address

City State Zip

Home Phone

E-Mail Address

Your Birthdate (Month/Day/Year)

Spouse's Birthdate (Month/Day/Year)

Are you a member of a church?
Yes ___ No ___

Name of church

Check Current Classification:

School Grade ___ College ___ Single ___
Widowed ___ Single Again ___ Married ___
Hearing Impaired ___

Guest of

Other family members living at home:

Name Birthdate

How did you hear about First Baptist?

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Bill Metcalf
Guest Worship Leader

Handbell Prelude

O Come, O Come Emmanuel – 9:00

The Coventry Carol – 10:30

I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day

Prayer and Welcome

How Great Our Joy

Joy to the World

The First Noel

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Offertory Prayer – Missionary Focus: Matt & Celeste Jackson, Pacific Rim

Special Music – *O Holy Night*

Praise Ensemble

Denise Lane, Soloist

O Holy Night

Silent Night

Message

Dr. Argile Smith

Call Him Jesus

Matthew 1:21

Song of Commitment - *Softly and Tenderly*

Opportunities for Service

Benediction – *Go Tell it on the Mountain – Chorus*