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UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, December 26, 2021

9:30am – Church Library Open
 10:00am – Sunday School Groups
 11:00am – Morning Worship
*(In-Person at 35 Nelson Avenue or
 Church Online at FBCGC.live)*

Wednesday, December 29, 2021
No Activities or Services at the church tonight

VITAL SIGNS

Budget Gifts Sunday\$6,083.44
 Budget Gifts to Date\$20,987.40

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD UPDATE:

Please pray for our shoeboxes as they have been sent to children in South Sudan, the Philippines, the Democratic Republic of Congo, and Ghana!



Celebrating a Birthday

December 28 Joy Austin
 December 31 Robert Riley
 January 2 Elaine Barnard
 January 3 Lisa Bragg
 January 6 Nicholas Wallace
 January 7 Patsy Burkhalter
 January 8 Steve Britton

Serving Our Church
Sunday, December 26

Ushers

Tony Bragg, Mike Durkin, J. D. Dyches,
 Joe Jackson, Crawford Leonard,
 Terry Nappier, Larry Olliff, Jay Walea

Counters

David Traywick, Co-Chairman
 Luis Tovar, Co-Chairman
 Ed Schaffer, David Williford

Nursery

Patricia Frantz, Rachel Frantz

Preschool

Karen Walea

Sunday, January 2

Ushers

Tony Bragg, Mike Durkin, J. D. Dyches,
 Joe Jackson, Crawford Leonard,
 Terry Nappier, Larry Olliff, Jay Walea

Counters

Gerald Ethridge, Chmn.
 Jason McCullough, Chmn.
 Robert Riley

Nursery

Mary Kay Schaffer, Maggie Hayes

Preschool

Help Needed

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HIS NAME WILL BE CALLED...

This Christmas season we have been looking together at Isaiah's ancient prophecy (Isaiah 9:6-7) of four royal titles for the coming Messiah, whom we now know as Jesus Christ. Through these names, we're learning more about the very nature and characteristics of Jesus, and how He relates to us.

Thus far, we've looked at how we can rely on Jesus as:

- **Wonderful Counselor** – He inspires awe and wonder as He provides wise counsel to us.
- **Mighty God** – He is the God of the universe, ready to impart power where we need it.
- **Everlasting Father** – He is a King, providing care, direction & protection to each of us.

Which of these aspects of Jesus' character are you leaning on today? Have you given Him the place of honor in your life, as a King should have?

Perhaps the best illustration I can share about Jesus's rightful place in our lives comes from a seasonal experience that I've had repeatedly over the years... When I was growing up, my mother was the driving force for our Christmas preparation and decoration around the house. She was the one who directed the rest of us when and where to place things and what took priority.

One of my favorite learnings over years of Christmas prep dealt with how to unpack and setup the nativity scene. Over the years, I've set up quite a few, but perhaps the most memorable one to me was a shiny white ceramic set, similar to this:



First, I learned to be very careful unpacking the pieces (great value is often contained in ordinary packaging). Second, I learned to look for any chips or cracks. And third, and most importantly, I learned to always place the baby Jesus in the center of the display (no matter how large or small the set).

This same idea – be sure that Jesus is in the center – is true in your life and mine. The best way to ensure that you can experience King Jesus in your everyday life is to place Him at the center of everything you do. Remember what He told us:

“Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and live righteously, and he will give you everything you need.” – Matthew 6:33 (NLT)

Centering my life on Jesus,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tony".

P.S. Don't miss Christmas Eve @ FBC in-person, this Friday from 6:00 to 6:45pm, for a great opportunity to center your Christmas on Jesus. Then join us this Sunday, December 26, for the conclusion of our *His Name Will Be Called...* teaching series (either In-Person or at FBCGC.live). Hope to see you there!



December 24 – Jesus
(Christmas Eve Service)
December 26 - Prince of Peace

LOTTIE MOON

*Together,
We transform lives through
our prayers & gifts.*
Given to date: \$2,489.75

