

# First Words

December 1, 2024



Today:  
**Christmas In Our Hearts**  
Luke 2:1-7

## WELCOME

We're glad you're with us!

### SMALL GROUPS

Small groups meet Sundays at **8:00, 9:15 and 10:45 AM**. For help finding a small group, visit the Welcome Center, or contact [darrington@fbctrussville.org](mailto:darrington@fbctrussville.org).

### WORSHIP

**9:15 AM** (Traditional) • **10:45 AM** (Contemporary)

### OTHER HELPFUL INFO

**Restrooms** are conveniently located just outside the Worship Center.

**Offering bins** are located at the exits as you leave the Worship Center.

**Listening devices** are available by request; see an usher to inquire.

**FBCT Library** is located near the Events Center, and open today 8:00 AM-12:30 PM. The library will reopen on Sunday, December 1.

Inquire or register for any FBCT event at the **Event Center**.

**For assistance**, please see an usher or visit the Welcome Center.

### PRAYER

Let us pray for you. Share your prayer requests by visiting [fbctrussville.org/prayer-requests](http://fbctrussville.org/prayer-requests), or by scanning this QR code. ▶▶▶



### First-Time Guests

**WE HAVE A FREE GIFT FOR YOU!**

Bring your completed tear-off to the Welcome Center or visit [fbctrussville.org/next-steps](http://fbctrussville.org/next-steps) and let us know that you were with us today!

## F260

### BIBLE READING PLAN

- THIS WEEK
- Hebrews 7
  - Hebrews 8-9
  - Hebrews 10
  - Hebrews 11
  - Hebrews 12

### Memory Verses

- Galatians 2:19-20
- 2 Corinthians 5:17

## Missions Opportunities



### TEAM Food Drive

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Come help pack pills for the medical clinic that will be held in Kenya.

### Season of Our Savior Stockings

Dec. 11 • 10:30am-Noon  
Sign up on Helper Helper to help us fill stockings for children in need.

Helper Helper ▼



# Christmas In Our Hearts

## Jesus To The World

Luke 2:1-7

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2024

*In those days Caesar Augustus issued a decree that a census (This was the first census that took place while Quirinius was governor of Syria.) And everyone went to his own town to register. So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David. He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.*  
Luke 2:1-7 (NIV)

### Love allowed Mary to experience God's \_\_\_\_\_

*The angel went to her and said, "Greetings, you who are highly favored! The Lord is with you."* Luke 1:28 (NIV)

"highly favored" =

Note:

### Love enabled Mary to trust God's \_\_\_\_\_

*But the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary; you have found favor with God."* Luke 1:30 (NIV)

*Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people.* Luke 2:10

Note:

### Love prompted Mary to surrender to God's \_\_\_\_\_

*"How will this be," Mary asked the angel, "since I am a virgin?"*  
Luke 1:34 (NIV)

*"I am the Lord's servant," Mary answered. "May it be to me as you have said." Then the angel left her.* Luke 1:38 (NIV)

*So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David.* Luke 2:4 (NIV)

Note:

### Love caused Mary to live with \_\_\_\_\_ toward God

*And Mary said: "My soul glorifies the Lord and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has been mindful of the humble state of his servant. From now on all generations will call me blessed."* Luke 1:46-48 (NIV)

*He has brought down rulers from their thrones but has lifted up the humble.*  
Luke 1:52 (NIV)

Note:

### Love made Mary trust God's \_\_\_\_\_ for her future

*He has been mindful of the humble state of his servant. From now on all generations will call me blessed.*  
Luke 1:48 (NIV)

Note:

"Mary experienced the \_\_\_\_\_ of God and believed the \_\_\_\_\_ of God and therefore she could be used by the Spirit to accomplish the \_\_\_\_\_ of God."

—Warren Wiersbe

*At the conclusion of today's service, the Chapel will be open for prayer with people available to pray with you.*

# Because you gave in 2024...

Over **1,600** people came through the candy line and received Gospel bracelets at our Fall Family Night.



VBS had **1,035** participants with **18** first-time baptism decisions.



**739** students and **125** college leaders attended DNOW Weekend.

**34** students made a profession of faith in Jesus.

**45** were baptized.



J E S U  
D N O W 2024



## Ways To Give

At FBCT giving is easy, and there are many ways to do it!

- 1. Giving through the offering.** After today's service you will find contribution receptacles outside the Worship Center. If needed, offering envelopes are provided in the side pockets of each giving receptacle.
- 2. Giving through the FBC Trussville App.** On your phone or mobile device download the FBC Trussville app and give through PushPay (via the "Give" link).
- 3. Giving online through PushPay.** Go to [fbctrussville.org/give](https://fbctrussville.org/give).
- 4. Giving In-Person.** You're always welcome to stop by the First Baptist offices during the week, Monday-Thursday, 8am-5pm and 8am-2pm on Fridays.
- 5. Giving through our after hours drop box,** located by the office entrance.
- 6. Giving through the Venmo (@FBC-Trussville) or Paypal (give@fbctrussville.org) apps.**
- 7. Giving through Securities/Stock.** Contact Amy Blount in our Financial Office for further info: (205) 655-2403

If mailing, all gifts must be postmarked by December 31 to go toward your 2024 giving record. If you are giving appreciated assets or gifts in kind, please contact Amy Blount or Alan Taylor at (205) 655-2403.

**THANK YOU** for your faithfulness  
as we Do His Work **together!**



# COMING UP...

## LOTTIE MOON LUNCHEON

**December 7 • 10:00am • A200 • \$10**  
Ladies, join us as we kick off the Christmas Season together! We will enjoy a time of fellowship and focus on the reason for the season. Tickets are available at the Event Center on Sundays and Wednesdays or in the church office during the week.



## SAM CHRISTMAS BANQUET

**December 8 • 4:00-6:00pm**  
Our special guest will be Gold City Quartet. They will perform at 4:00 in the Worship Center and then we will move to the Gym for dinner together. \$25 for concert and meal ticket; \$15 for concert only ticket.

## FAMILY CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL

**December 14 • 4:00-6:00pm**  
Immediately following the Trussville Christmas Parade, our Family Christmas Festival will feature pictures with Santa, face painting, crafts, a bouncy house, popcorn, cokes, cookies and more! Plus, kids will hear the Christmas story! Volunteers are needed for this event. Sign up on today's tab!



## Numbers From Last Sunday - November 24, 2024

Budget Receipts:	\$ 195,370	Small Groups:	1,451
Budget Received YTD:	\$ 7,384,245	Worship Services:	
NEXT YTD:	\$ 436,354	On Campus - 1,589 Online - 298	
		Total: 1,887	

## TODAY (12/1)

### TEAM Food Drive Food Items Due Today

We are collecting non-perishable food items for the Trussville Ecumenical Assistive Ministry. Visit the Missions Wall to pick up a list of needed items.

### Conservatory Spring Registration Registration is Now Open!

The Conservatory Spring semester will begin on January 6.

## THIS WEEK (12/2-12/7)

### First Monday Prayer Focus

**Dec. 2 • 10:00am • D139**  
Prayer led by Seasoned Adults, but for everyone!

### Kenya Pill Packing

**Dec. 4 • 5:30-7pm • Middle School Space**  
Come help pack pills for the medical clinic that will be held in Kenya.

### Guest Speaker

**Dec. 4 • 6:00pm • Fellowship Hall**  
This Wednesday, come hear from a Baptist representative serving in Israel.

### SAM Praying For Your One

**Dec. 5 • D139**  
Men will meet at 6:30am.  
Ladies will meet at 12:00 Noon.

### Parents' Night Out\*

**December 6 • 6-8:30pm**  
Enjoy a night out while we take care of your kids - preschool through 5th grade. \$10 per child, \$20 family max.

### Lottie Moon Luncheon

**Dec. 7 • 10:00am • A200 • \$10**  
Ladies, join us as we kick off the Christmas Season together! Tickets available at the Event Center or the church office.

## NEXT SUNDAY (12/8)

### SAM Christmas Banquet\*

**4pm Concert/5pm Dinner**  
Our special guest will be Gold City Quartet! \$25 for concert and meal ticket; \$15 for concert-only ticket.

## COMING UP

### Season of Our Savior Stockings Dec. 11 • 10:30am-Noon

Sign up on Helper Helper to help us fill stockings for children in need.

### SAM Bellevue Christmas Trip\*

**December 12-13 • Memphis, TN**  
Attend Bellevue Baptist Church's Singing Christmas Tree concert and visit Graceland.

### Family Christmas Festival

**December 14 • 4:00-6:00pm**  
Come hear the Christmas story and enjoy pictures with Santa, crafts, a bouncy house, cookies, and more!

### "Joy to the World" Christmas Music Presentation

**Dec. 15 • 9:15 & 10:45am • FBCT**  
The Choir & Orchestra will present "Joy to the World" in both services.

### TRECHO Run to the Manger 3.1

**Dec. 21 • 8:00am • FBCT Fountain**  
We will be collecting new or GENTLY worn shoes to donate to Soles4Souls.

### MVMT WKND\*

**Jan. 17-19 • 6th-12th Graders • \$100**  
A weekend event for Middle and High School Students!

### God's Handiwork FBCT Women's Conference\*

**Jan. 31-Feb. 1 • \$55 thru 11/24/24**  
Women, join us for our 3rd Annual Women's Conference! Sign up today!

\* Registration: [fbctrussville.org/events](https://fbctrussville.org/events)



# On Today's Tear Off:



## Christmas Poinsettias

Placed in the Worship Center in honor or memory of your loved one!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Placed in  Honor  Memory

of: \_\_\_\_\_

*Poinsettias are \$10 each. Place cash/checks in a giving envelope with this form and drop it in a giving bin as you exit the Worship Center. If paying by check, indicate "poinsettia" in the memo line of your check.*

## Family Christmas Festival Volunteers

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

I will help with:

Snacks  Check-in/Greeting

Activities  Where Needed

## Our Place Special Needs Ministry

Opportunities to serve on Sundays and Wednesdays. Must be 16 or older.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

## Stephen Ministry

If you or a loved one are going through a difficult time (loss of a loved one, divorce, loss of a job, illness) and would like to talk to a Stephen Minister, reach out to [stephenministry@fbctrussville.org](mailto:stephenministry@fbctrussville.org)

To sign up to volunteer at the Christmas Festival: [alicias@fbctrussville.org](mailto:alicias@fbctrussville.org)

To sign up to help with Our Place: [carriej@fbctrussville.org](mailto:carriej@fbctrussville.org)

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