



# Merry Christmas



### Men

*Men's Bible Study, Mondays at 6:30 p.m.*  
Men's breakfast held each Tuesday morning at 7:00 at Westside Café. Come join in the Fellowship.

### Ladies' Bible Class

Tuesdays in the fellowship area 9:30 a.m. No ladies' Bible class for the next two weeks. We will resume on January 4<sup>th</sup>.

### Mission Work Session

Every Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. in the fellowship area. If you have any questions, please see Ollie Taylor-Brewer. No mission work for the next two weeks. We will resume on January 4<sup>th</sup>.



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### Our heartbeat (12/12/21)

**Bible Class:** 62  
**AM Worship:** 143  
**PM:**  
**Wednesday:** 33  
**Contribution:** \$10,479.00  
**Weekly Budget:** \$9,666.00  
**Difference:** +\$813.00  
**Average:** \$8,772.48  
**Benevolence:** \$10.00

### **QR Code for online giving**



### **Praying without ceasing...**

**Carmiel Aldred** has been having issues with fluid building up on her knee. She had surgery on her knee on the 14<sup>th</sup>. She is at JPS hospital, room 615. They removed her hardware from her last knee replacement and removed as much of the infection as possible. They put concrete in her knee that will stay until she is able to have another knee replacement in January. Please keep her in your prayers.

**Other Members in need of Prayer:** James Blakley, Tom Cain, Bob Durko, CR and Margaret Hamilton, Joy Jones, Tristan Peterson, Frank Piksie, Diana Richardson, Patsy Riddle, Dolores Thatch.

### Family Members:

**Suzy Witherspoon, Tom Cain's** sister, is in the hospital and not doing well

**Theresa Aldred, Ted & Carmiel Aldred's** daughter-in-law, had a procedure to relieve pressure on her spine and brain. Please pray for a complete and successful recovery.

**Lee Hines' sister, Laura Hines Browder,** had surgery to correct her scoliosis. She recently had to have it repeated because screws from the first one came loose, and bleeding created a blood clot, putting pressure on her spine, causing leg weakness.

Please keep **Randy McClendon's** dad in your prayers. He has been put on Hospice for the last stages of dementia.

**Chuck Hager,** Bud Hager's son, has improved enough to go home. Please continue to keep him in your prayers for a full recovery.

**New address for Marie Clark: Mirabella Assisted living, 4242 Bryant Irvin Rd., Fort Worth, TX 76109**

### **What is LTC?**

LTC – Leadership Training for Christ is a convention that encourages kids age 3<sup>rd</sup> grade through High School to grow in their ability to reach others by sharing Christ in many ways. Those events listed below are only a few of the ways they can be involved. Team events are not only at the convention. They can include working together on bulletin boards, making scrapbooks, helping to teach classes, writing poetry or stories that praise God, or be uplifting to others. If you have any questions at all, we can answer them, or we can get the answers. Please be involved in LTC and watch your kids grow in their faith and love for our awesome God.

If you or your kids have an interest in any of the events below – let Ron or Leslie Rutledge know. There are some qualifications for each. Some of them have already started qualifying – if they have read a scripture or lead a song or helped teach a class. So many things that they can do.

### **LTC Events:**

Convention events – Those events that are done at the hotel (puppets, choir, Bible Bowl & Quiz, etc.)

Submission events – Those events that are done/created at home or church but taken to the hotel (essays, creative writing, poetry, PowerPoint presentation, etc.)

Challenge events - Those events that are done at home and details or items sent to the hotel (Bulletin board, daily devotionals, outreach, reading, scripture, service, song leading - 3-6 grades only, teaching)

## What Made the Wise Men Wise?

Matthew 2:1-12

They are called "Magi" because that is the word for \_\_\_\_\_.

Lessons the Wise Men learned...

- I. The Word of God is the ultimate source of \_\_\_\_\_.(vs 5)
- A. \_\_\_\_\_ gave them information he had obtained from the Old Testament. (Micah 5:2)
- B. James 1:21 and 1 Peter 1:22-25.
- II. They learned that \_\_\_\_\_ (like Herod) are going to \_\_\_\_\_ (vs 8,12)
- A. He tried to deceive them by claiming that he wanted to \_\_\_\_\_ the new king as well (vs 8).
- B. Here are a few more liars that lied...
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
- III. God provides through our \_\_\_\_\_ (vs 11, 13-15)
- A. Malachi 3:10 and 1 Kings 17:13
- B. God may use me to answer my own prayers (Matthew 9:37-38; 10:5)
- IV. Satan's evil is \_\_\_\_\_. (vs 16-18)
- A. To preserve his throne, Herod killed every male child under 2 years old. He is not alone.
- B. Judges 9:5; 1 Kings 18:4; 1 Kings 21; 2 Kings 11:1.
- V. They learned to go home by a \_\_\_\_\_ way than they came (vs 12)

Conclusion: "If you realize that you aren't as wise today as you thought you were yesterday, you're wiser today." – Church bulletin in Detroit

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Welcome

Song Leader-Mike Tinius

997-O Come, All Ye Faithful  
995-It Came Upon a Midnight Clear  
998-What Child Is This

Prayer  
Alfred Meeks

Scripture Reading  
Isaiah 9:6  
Terry Branson

1003-Silent Night  
NIB-And Can it Be  
701-My Jesus, I Love Thee

Lord's Supper and  
Contribution  
Rickey Wilson

1017-Away in a Manger

Coins for Christ/Children's  
Time

1012-Go Tell it on the Mountain

Lesson- Chris Graham  
"What Made the Wise men  
Wise?"

943-Do You Know My Jesus

Shepherd's Prayer  
Ronnie Moore

**Welcome Guests!** We are honored that you have joined us today and hope that you will be blessed by your time with us in worship. The following are some helpful tips on making the most of your visit with us this morning.

**Register.** Our guests, as well as members, are asked to register their attendance as the pads are passed down each pew.

**Attended Nursery** is available for children up to two and a half years of age in the west wing.

**Quiet Bags** for children are available at the welcome center. A cry room/training room is available outside the auditorium, down the west entrance hallway.

**The Welcome Center** has details about ministries, classes and more. It is in the main entrance outside the auditorium.

**To access internet, connect to West Freeway Guest. No password needed.**

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### Assemblies:

#### Sunday

Bible Class	9:30 a.m.
Worship	10:30 a.m.
Evening/Singing	2:00 p.m.

Communion will be offered at each Sunday meeting.

#### Wednesday

7:00 p.m.

#### Minister

Chris Graham  
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#### Family Minister

Brandon Kaag  
469.658.6229

#### Elders

James Herring	817.401.1047
Victor Jones	817.584.1300
Ronnie Moore	817.821.4991
John Robertson	817.343.7586
Mike Tinius	817.657.1431

**Elder of the month: Mike Tinius**



## If Only He'd Known

Luke 2:7 – "...there was no room for them in the inn."

If only the innkeeper had known that the woman he turned away was giving birth to the Son of God, surely, he would have made room. I would have slept in the stable myself and given them my bed, wouldn't you? Or would we?

I know Jesus is the Son of God but how often do I choose my priorities over His?

- Do I spend more on my hobbies than I give to further the Lord's work?
- Am I preparing for retirement more carefully than I am preparing for an eternity with God?
- Do I choose to be elsewhere when I can worship?
- Do I pray consistently? Every day?
- Do I promise friends and family, "I'll pray for you" without ever praying for them?
- Do I spend time listening to God by reading His word daily?
- Am I more concerned about my children's/grandchildren's grades than I am about their knowledge of God's word?
- Is my attendance at work more consistent than my attendance at worship?
- Do I remain silent when I have an opportunity to share the gospel of Christ?

The innkeeper was not the only person to turn Jesus away. The church in Laodicea had no room for Jesus. He wasn't on the inside. Instead, Jesus told a whole church, "Behold, I stand at the door and knock..." (Revelation 3:20). Make room for Jesus. If He is outside, let Him in. Just remember that He demands the best you have (Matthew 6:33).

*Chris Graham*