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The Christmas Season at BFBC

Sunday, December 3, 6:00 pm
Children's Musical & Cookie Reception
"Follow the Star"

Friday, December 15, 7:00 pm
"The Light Has Dawned"

Saturday, December 16, 4:00 pm
"The Light Has Dawned"

Sunday, December 17, 10:30 am
"The Light Has Dawned"
* No Sunday School *

Sunday, December 17, 4:00 pm
"The Light Has Dawned"

Saturday, December 23
Christmas Eve Needy Family Ministry

Sunday, December 24
Christmas Under the Tree
Sunday School at 9:30 am
Morning Worship at 10:30 am
Christmas Eve Service at 6:00 pm
Christmas Eve Service at 11:15 pm

Sunday, December 31
Breakfast at 9:00 am
Sunday School at 9:30 am
Morning Worship at 10:30 am
No Evening Service

2017 Thanksgiving Offering

This Sunday, November 19

INGATHERING DURING BOTH MORNING WORSHIP SERVICES

Our Thanksgiving Offering will go towards remodeling the house at the front of the Crosswalk property. The remodeled home will be specifically used as a Missionary Home. Please pray about what the Lord would have you to give toward this great project. The gifts will need to be above our regular tithes and offerings! Consider giving a gift that reflects our church's \$174th anniversary. These amounts are just suggestions and you are encouraged to give as you're able.

Preschoolers	174 pennies	\$1.74
Grades 1-5	174 nickels	\$8.70
Grades 6-12	174 dimes	\$17.40
Adults	174 dollars	\$174.00

Our goal for this Thanksgiving Offering is \$60,000.

Children will come from the CDC (ages 2-5) and Children's Worship

Christmas Construction and Decorating This Sunday at 1:00 pm

We need YOUR help with set construction and decorating for this Christmas season and our Christmas musical, "The Light Has Dawned" featuring the Living Christmas Tree. **Work will begin this Sunday at 1pm. We will also continue to work on Monday & Tuesday evenings (20th & 21st) if there is more work to complete.** Just show up to work and we'll get you plugged in! We need as many hands as we can to make this happen. All are welcome! If you have any questions, please contact Trevor at the church office, or at TColeman@bereafbc.org.

Gathering to Give Thanks

Church Family Thanksgiving Dinner and Service

This Sunday at 5:30 pm in the Crosswalk
Cost: \$7 per person (\$35 max per family)

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

Everyone is asked to bring canned goods for the Reaching Center.

Church Conference

Sunday, November 26
6:00 pm

(Beginning of the Evening Service)



Our delivery date for the Samaritan's Purse boxes was extended until Monday so if you forgot to return your box please do so by this Sunday. We also have about 20 boxes left in the Welcome Center that need to be filled!

Christmas Eve Family Ministry

For over 30 years our church has been providing gifts and food to families in need for Christmas. These gifts and food are purchased and delivered to each family's home by volunteers from our church on Christmas Eve. Already this year our church has received numerous calls hoping for help. We plan to help as many families as possible, but we are limited to how many we can help by the donations we receive. The average family costs \$300 to supply a nice Christmas meal and presents for the children. Most of the gifts are made up of shoes, pants, winter coats and a few toys. We need donations and sponsors! If you would be willing to make a financial donation or even completely sponsor an entire family we need to know by **Sunday, December 3rd** so that we can make a clear commitment to the families we can help. Please mark your gifts as Christmas Eve Ministry. For more info contact Mike Parker at 246-1921 or mparker@bereafbc.org,

The Very Newest

Congratulations to Blake and Caroline Southerland on the birth of a son, Macon James, born November 8. Macon is the grandson of Alan and Brana Myers and Jim and Sherri Southerland.

Financial Report Sunday, November 12, 2017

Total Annual Budget.....\$1,353,255.76
Budgeted Gifts Rec'd 11-12.....\$24,934.04
Legacy Gifts.....\$554.00
Designated/Reimbursement.....\$3,776.07
Total Deposit.....\$29,264.11

Sympathy

Sympathy is extended to the family of Dick Vickery.

Memorial Gifts

Gifts have been received in memory of:

Dick Vickery by:

Walter and Evelyn Watson.

Friendship Group Luncheon

Tuesday, November 21, 11:00 am

Senior Adult Building

Program: Music and Comedy

by Dennis Smith

Menu: Spiral- cut Ham, Macaroni and Cheese, Green Beans, Roll and Pumpkin Pie

Reservations required.

Mark Your Calendar!

Lottie Moon Tea

Saturday, January 13

Opportunities

SUNDAY

8:15 am

9:30am

10:30am

5:30 pm

Encounter Service

Sunday School

Cornerstone Service

Thanksgiving Dinner



Join the Children's Choir on Sunday, December 3rd at 6:00 pm for their Christmas Concert, "Follow the Star."

A cookie reception in the Senior Adult Building will take place after the performance.

The Reaching Center

food items needed this week:
green beans, corn, diced tomatoes, soup

Angel Tree Ministry

Many of our Reaching Center families have qualified for assistance for Christmas through the Salvation Army Angel Tree ministry. The Angel trees are displayed in our Senior Adult Building, the Welcome Center, and the Breezeway. Tags have names, ages and Christmas wishes for children in our community. Instructions on preparing and returning gifts are attached to the tags also. Please consider bringing joy into the life of a child on Christmas morning. The new unwrapped gifts should have your child's name and their GVL identification number on each gift. **They are due no later than Wednesday, Dec. 6.** Thank you for making Christmas a little merrier for these children and please add them to your prayer list.

Operation Christmas Child Work-day

Thursday, November 30

OCC Processing Center, Charlotte, NC

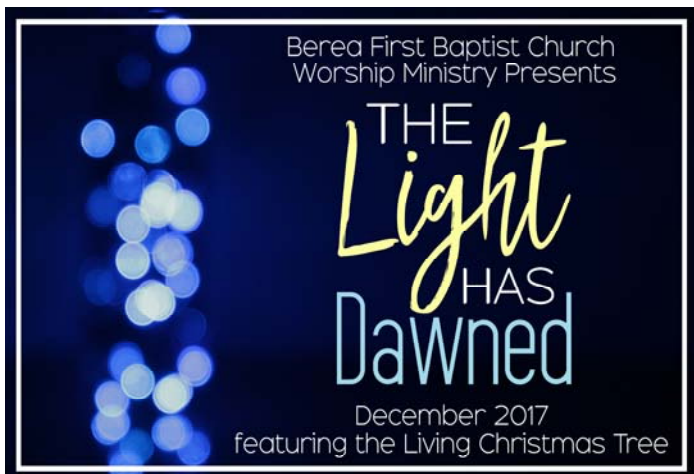
Leave church at 7:45 am.

Work from 10:00 am-2:00 pm.

Cost: \$3 (to cover gas for church bus)

All volunteers must be at least 13.

Sign up in Welcome Center



Invite your co-workers, family and friends and get your tickets this Sunday in the Welcome Center.

Friday, December 15 at 7:00 pm

Saturday, December 16 at 4:00 pm

Sunday, December 17 at 10:30 am
(morning worship service—ticket not required)

Sunday, December 17 at 4:00 pm