

MUSIC MINISTRY

THE JOY OF CHRISTMAS

This year's Christmas program really has been a joy. It was fun to look back. Going through the old videos: it was great to remember those that were around back then, the children who have grown up since then, and all the songs, skits, staging and sets I had forgotten about. What we showed last weekend was just a fraction of the clips we could have shown. I need to do a "FBC Greatest Hits" video sometime!

This year produced a lot of Heroes for me: our technical crew (Jim-who spent a lot of hours learning the lighting system, Dana - our computer guru who ran two laptops at the same time, Judy-who put together a couple of last-minute slide shows as well as videotaped, Larry - who made a special trip to be here for practice, Andrew - who did a great job on follow-spot), our set people (Susan, Mike & Stephanie, Larna, Sherry, Zoe, Larry, Donald Glen, Jim, J.R. & Linda, Doreatha- very creative people who spent a lot of time making it look right), our costume people (Kipp, Regan, Larna & Bobbie - who had to work fast and do a lot of improvising), Jane -who helped us at the piano through every practice and always produces a beautiful-sounding Children's Choir, Beth — who had the whole flashback concept running in her head and wrote out the original scripting ideas, our soloists, narrators and speakers, our Nativity Cast (with all our new shepherds!), our Backstage help, our Publicity Committee, as well as our entire Choir, Orchestra, Children's Choir & workers, even our Silent Monks! Lots of Heroes! And I am grateful for each one of them!

As we move into the final week of Christmas, and we focus on God's great gift, reflect on these narrations Robert gave us last weekend:

In the midst of the miraculous, the great mystery was unfolding. We observed Who came among us, what events accompanied Him, we knew the time and the place. What remains is a question that can only be answered from the very heart of God.

The question...why?

The answer would be unveiled for those who chose to look beyond the manger to a hill not too far away where the mystery of God's sacrifice would usher in a greater clarity of the magnitude of God's love.

Why? Why would One so holy choose to come at all? He knew.

He was there at the very foundation of the world. He saw the universe come into being. He created the very world He was about to enter. He was not caught unaware of what He would face. He was not a pawn of destiny. He was a Disciple of obedience. He was the Son of God, the Heir of Heaven's throne...still He came.

Have a wonderful Christmas! Bro. Daniel

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

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Mrs. Charlotte Nash At Home
Mr. Dennis Tate At Home
Mrs. Sally Walker At Home
Mrs. Helen Prince At Home
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Sarah Beth Overcash At Home

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UNITED MISSION OFFERING

CHURCH GOAL—\$53,000

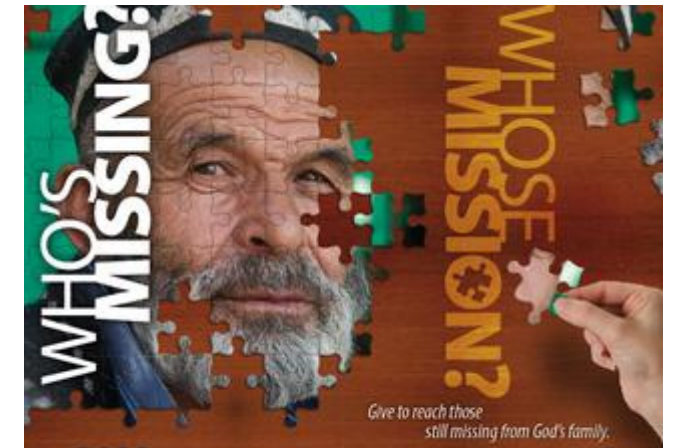
To be divided:

International Mission Board -70%

North American Mission Board - 15%

Arkansas Baptist Children's Home -15%

Or in the manner you designate



Pray for our missionaries.
Give as God leads you to give.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2009

Attendance In Bible Study

182

BUDGET REPORT

BUDGET REQUIRED	\$12,527.89
BUDGET RECEIVED	\$16,958.00
REQUIRED TO DATE	\$626,394.50
RECEIVED TO DATE	\$551,590.43

WELCOME VISITORS

Carolyn Elam, Brinkley
Andrea (Willhite) Hughes, Jacksonville, AR

**“NEW VOLUNTEER NURSERY WORKERS
ARE NEEDED IN THE NURSERY!”**
(If you would like to be a volunteer,
please call the church office @ 734-2571.)

Volunteers for this Sunday Morning, December 20

Dina McDaniel, Beverly McDaniel
Debi Walker and Janie Nicholson

Volunteers for this Sunday Evening, December 20

Bobbie Loewer

(Please call Linda Nickleson or Sam Medford if you
cannot work your time in the nursery.)

CHURCH CALENDAR

BIBLE READINGS

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20

Read 2 Samuel 7:20-26

9:45 AM Bible Study
 10:50 AM MORNING WORSHIP
 6:00 PM Men and Women Prayer Groups
 7:00 PM EVENING WORSHIP
 8:00 PM Belize Meeting

MONDAY, DECEMBER 21

Read I Kings 11:6-13

6:00 PM Men's Basketball (35 & Up)
 7:15 PM Men's Basketball (Open)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22

Read Nehemiah 9:30-33

6:15 AM Men's Bible Study and Breakfast
 8:30 AM Strength Training Class (For Women of all Ages)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 23

Read Isaiah 11:1-5

6:30 PM Prayer Meeting/UNITED (Youth Bible Study)
 7:15 PM Worship Choir Dismissed

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24

Read Matthew 1:17-21

“CHRISTMAS EVE”

(CHURCH OFFICES CLOSED)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 25

Read Matthew 1:22-25

“MERRY CHRISTMAS!”

(CHURCH OFFICES CLOSED)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 26

Read Mark 1:9-15



UNITED

I wish I could put into words just how much I have enjoyed working with the youth of this church. Since arriving in June, we have grown so much! I have been truly blessed to see so many kids showing up each Wednesday night. They have been so faithful to be there and be accountable to one another. I couldn't do it without the support from you, the parents. You get them here and nurture them throughout their daily lives. I look forward to a great year in 2010 and all the many things we will be doing! Merry Christmas and have a Happy New Year!

The Christmas Musical was once again, just incredible! I am amazed at all the work that goes into it each year. It takes so many people to pull off something like that and I am just thankful I got to be a part of it. I am so thankful for the people that sacrificed so much in order to make the musical a success! Thank you all!

Jesus over everything,
Bro. Michael