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THE LIGHT

FORK BAPTIST CHURCH



White Christmas Ingathering This Sunday 8:30 & 11:00 a.m. Worship Services



Bring your Lottie Moon bank or offering to place in the manger

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Church Office Hours: 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Rev. Robert Garrett, Senior Pastor

Rev. Jeff Randolph, Minister of Youth & Education

Suzie Sibley, Administrative Assistant

Nora Smith, Church Custodian & Organist

Doug Sarver, Pianist

Fork Baptist's website address: www.forkbaptist.com & www.forkyouth.com

SENIOR PASTOR NOTES!

WE CONTINUE TO BE IN AWE.....at how the LORD continues to reveal Himself to us through special times of worship. Last Sunday night at our "Hanging of the Greens" service was just another confirmation of when God's people come together in humble worship He will show up as well and through the testimonies of many that were here HE SHOWED UP! Special thanks goes to our Christmas Committee headed by *Mrs. Bonnie Fishel* for their hard work and dedication in helping us set the proper atmosphere for praise and worship. Now let's continue with many wonderful times of worship and praise as we celebrate Jesus becoming one of us. Remember our unique Christmas Greeting? MERRY CHRISTMASIT'S A BOY!

OUR MISSION EXTRAVAGANZA SUNDAY..... was not only a very informative time of sharing about the importance of missions as being at the very heart of God (Matthew 28:19-20) it also was a day that the Lord added to our church family. We welcome *Doug and Debbie Sarver* to our fellowship who unite with our church family by promise of letter during our 8:30 a.m. service. *Doug* has also accepted the call to be our worship pianist. We are blessed to not only have *Doug* part of our church staff but he and *Debbie* as part of our Fork Church family. As *Doug* and *Debbie* are now part of our church family let's welcome and encourage them as they lead us in the worship of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

AS WE APPROACH THE END..... Of yet another great year serving our Lord here at Fork I am truly rejoicing in all that the Lord has done and what He has allowed us as a church family to experience together. I want to simply encourage each of us to continue in that in faithfulness in our attendance and in our giving. Please pray and seek the Lord's guidance over the next three Sundays and let's do what we can to give over and above what we have been giving so we can make sure we will be able to fulfill all the important ministries that needs to be supported during 2016. Let's each of us live out Malachi 3:10 *"Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the LORD Almighty, and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it."*

THIS SUNDAY MORNING we will have our 6th annual "White Christmas" Ingathering for Lottie Moon. As a church family we will together bring our offerings to the manger and ask God to bless our sacrificial giving so that many will come to a personal relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ. Let's make this one our best yet by surpassing our \$16,000.00 goal for the glory of our Lord.

HOPE TO SEE YOU SUNDAYas we continue to experience "Christmas in the Real World"

For HIS Kingdom Only,
Pastor Robert



CHRISTMAS SERMON SERIES

"Christmas In The Real World."

Chances are this Christmas like Christmas in the past will not be so "perfect". Because we live in a sinful and imperfect world we all need help experiencing not only the Christmas God has for his children but to experience the abundant life God offers. Our pastor begins a new series from God's word that will offer real help for real people like us. Please invite family and friends to experience a clear presentation of the Gospel. Let's together experience "Christmas in the Real World."

YOUTH MINISTRY & OTHER NEWS

Youth New Years Eve
Lock-In
December 31
8:00 p.m. - 8:00 a.m.
Youth Room



Tanglewood Festival of
Lights
December 16 ~6:00 P.M.
Church family is invited.
Bring money for first food dinner.
No other services or activities on December 16



Gift Wrapping Station
Today-Next Sunday
Proceeds will support Fork Baptist
Student Ministries Summer Mission Trips
Contact Jeff Randolph for more information



Youth Canned Food Drive
December 12-16
For Storehouse for Jesus
Drop Box Outside Church Office

Snowshoe Ski Trip
January 21-24
All balances are due to
Jeff Randolph ASAP!!



Church-wide Caroling
This Sunday Night
6:00 P.M.
Awana's & Youth will join us
Meal to Follow



R.A. Post Office
This Sunday- Next Sunday
Drop off your Christmas cards to be distributed
Proceeds go to Lottie Moon Christmas Offering



Seniors Christmas Luncheon
This Wednesday,
December 16
11:30 A.M.
Meet at the church to take the bus to
Pastor & Vickie's Home for lunch
184 Montclair Dr. Advance, NC

AWANAS
Sunday Nights
5:30 P.M.
This Week

December 15- Meet to review verses, then join us to go
Christmas caroling. Meal to Follow.



Christmas Parties
Staff Christmas Luncheon-
Dec. 14 11:00 a.m.
Seniors' Luncheon at Pastor's -
Dec. 16 11:30 a.m.
Church Christmas Party-
Dec. 20 5:30 p.m.
Co-Ed 3 Class Party-
Dec. 23 6:30 p.m. at Seth Carter's

Children's Choir Present
"Christmas in Reverse"



Preschool Children's Choir Present
"Happy Birthday Jesus"

December 20
5:30 P.M.- *note time change*



Followed by Special Guest & Fellowship
Bring you favorite finger food, dessert,
or Christmas goodies.

UPCOMING EVENTS!

NURSERY SCHEDULE

This Sunday, December 13

8:30 A.M. SERVICE—Jean Livengood & Dorcas Sanford

11:00 A.M. SERVICE

Nursery 1- Vickie Garrett & Charlie Wood

Nursery 2 - Lewis & Susan Correll

S.S. Nursery - Eric & Aimee Parr



Next Sunday, December 20

8:30 A.M. SERVICE—Josh & Shayna Johnson

11:00 A.M. SERVICE

Nursery 1 - Jane Jones & Julia Siegrist

Nursery 2 - Brian & Emily Moore

S.S. Nursery - Michael & Sherry Jaycocks

Coordinators

8:30 a.m. -Brittney Lanning 941-7162/Bayn Taylor 817-1371

11:00 a.m. -Paula Thach 978-4797/Amy Jarvis 749-9408

CHILDREN'S CHURCH SCHEDULE

This Sunday, Dec. 13-Michael & Sherry Jaycocks

Next Sunday, Dec. 20 - Andrea Bradman & Tabitha Hall

Coordinator ~ Holly Miller 940-4117



Children's Choir Practice

This Sunday 4:30 P.M.

Preschool Choir Practice

No Preschool Choir This Sunday

Dress Rehearsal

Next Saturday, December 19

Children's Choir 9:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m.

Preschool Choir 11:30 a.m. -12:00 p.m.

The family of Perce A. Musselman wish to thank you for your kind expression of sympathy.

**No Bible Study or other activities
December 23**

Office Closed December 25 & 28

No Evening Services December 27

Merry Christmas!!!



**Christmas Eve
Candlelight Service
5:30 P.M.
Sanctuary
Dress Casual**



2016 Offering Envelopes

Available This Sunday

**In the Hallway Outside
the Church Office.**

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR 2015

To receive credit on your contribution statement for 2015, all contributions must be in the Church Office by **Sunday, December 27**. Thank you for your faithfulness to the programs and ministries of Fork Baptist Church and its on going ministries during the year of 2015.



Church Family,

Our family is so blessed to be a part of Fork Baptist. We so appreciate the visits, cards, food, flowers, prayers and love shown to us by our church family. Your kindness has given us strength during this difficult time as we think and miss "Gabi" -Thank you & God Bless, Leslie Blackwelder, Audrey, Todd, Cindy Kirsten & Peyton Freeman

COME WORSHIP WITH US

Come Worship With Us

This Sunday, December 13-

White Christmas Ingathering & Advent III
8:30 & 11:00 A.M.

"Christmas in the Real World: Why Us?"

Luke 2:8-20

By Our Pastor

5:30 P.M.

AWANAS

6:00 P.M.

Christmas Caroling

Next Sunday, December 20- Advent IV

8:30 & 11:00 A.M.

"Christmas in the Real World: When Christmas
 Isn't What It's All Cracked Up To Be?"

Matthew 2:1-12

5:30 P.M.- (note special time)

Preschool Choir Presents "Happy Birthday Jesus"

Children's Choir Presents "Christmas in Reverse"

Followed by Special Guest & Fellowship



Lottie Moon

Christmas Offering

"Because of Who He Is"

Our Goal \$16,000.00

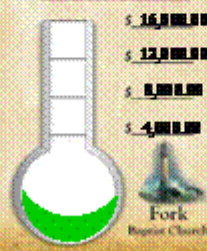
Given to Date \$1,749.00

Needed to Reach Goal

\$14,251.00

Our Goal:

\$ 16,000.00



VISITORS

Yates, Nelda, Carol & Kim

Wilkinson

119 Brown Road

King, NC 27021



NEW MEMBERS

Joined Sunday, December 6, 2015

8:30 a.m. Worship Service

Doug & Debbie Sarver

SS Class: Co-Ed 5

By Letter

185 Meadow Oaks Dr.

Statesville, NC 28625

(980) 223-2453

Deacon: Derek Bonham



Advent Families



Advent III-Candle of Sheppard/Joy

This Sunday, December 13

8:30 a.m.- Ricky & Donna

Rummage

Ricky Joined Fork June 11, 1967

Donna Joined Fork April 3, 1977

11:00 a.m.-Darryl, Gina, Caroline,

Landon & Ava Bandy

The Bandys Joined Fork

July 26, 2015

Advent IV- Candle of Angel/Love

Next Sunday December 20

8:30 a.m.- Ron & Barbara Lanning

Ron Joined Fork April 1, 1984

Barbara Joined Fork June 12, 1966

11:00 a.m. - Jeff & Sarah Randolph

Jeff & Sarah Joined Fork July 12, 2015

Spiritual Statistics**Sunday, November 29**

S. S. Attendance	184
8:30 a.m. Worship Attendance	75
11:00 a.m. Worship Attendance	102
<u>TOTAL IN MORNING WORSHIP</u>	177

Financial Statistics**Week of November 29**

Weekly Budget Receipts	\$5,448.04
Weekly Budget Needs	\$7,968.00
Deficit	-\$2,519.96

Weekly Designated Funds

Toy Store	\$22.00
<u>Total Tithes & Offerings</u>	\$5,470.04

Sunday, December 6

S. S. Attendance	218
8:30 a.m. Worship Attendance	111
11:00 a.m. Worship Attendance	128
<u>TOTAL IN MORNING WORSHIP</u>	239

Financial Statistics**Week of December 6**

Weekly Budget Receipts	\$10,273.00
Weekly Budget Needs	\$7,968.00
Surplus	+\$2,305.00

Weekly Designated Funds

Bereavement	\$100.00
Lottie Moon	\$1,749.00
<u>Total Tithes & Offerings</u>	\$12,122.00

Don't Forget to
Pick up Poinsettias
Next Sunday, December 20
Following the 11:00 A.M.
Worship Service



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