# **SERMON NOTES**

# Safety Tips

#### Small Children at Christmas Time

- 1. Ensure your tree is well balanced and, if possible, secured to prevent it from tipping or falling over on to a little one.
- 2. Never leave children alone in rooms that have any accessible open flames.
- 3. If the child is helping you decorate, watch them closely when handling small ornaments that could find its way into their mouth.
- 4. The following plants are toxic: mistletoe, holly berries and poinsettias.
- 5. Keep electric cords covered and use outlet covers in unused receptacles.
- 6. Find safe toys that are age appropriate and assure that any batteries are not easily removed from the toy.
- 7. Bundle them up for outside recreation watching the weather. Use safety gear appropriate to the activities, then monitor. Have a Merry Christmas!

# To Know Christ and To Make Him Known

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# MINISTRY OF PRAYER CHURCH FAMILY

Mae Cooper Joel Cofield Beverly Ramseyer Beth Reed
Leonard Metcalf Melanie Bruffett Lorraine Vice
Oscar Bronson Jerica (Stahl) Gamache Jerry Houghton

#### **EXTENDED CHURCH FAMILY**

Dalton Eason, grandson of Oscar & Linda Bronson Joyce Nogalski, wife of Joe Nogalski, S.W. Reg. Rep for MBCA Jerry Bunn, friend of Dick & Linda Pope Dohnyetta Robinson Jentri Banwart, granddaughter of David & Peggy Banwart Rick VanGilder, son of Patsy VanGilder Earl Higgins, brother-in law of John Lawrence & Nancy McCall Brett Campbell, friend of Belinda & Dayne Shoff Travis Gire, friend of Tom & Gale Main Donna Faglie, friend of Jane Houghton Tim Gifford, friend of David Banwart Jeannie Koehn, mother of Mike Koehn Travis Stroud, son of Carol Stroud Tina Walker, sister of Cindi Sprouls Jeanie & Bill Burkhardt, sister and brother in law of David Thrasher Billy Schnaufer, brother in law of Gary & Nina White Scott Gordon, friend of Bruffet's & Sandberg's Rod Jurgens, friend of Sheila Stevens Nancy Kirby, Kay McKee's sister in law Becky Howell, friend of Teresa Roberts Tyler Worthington, grandson of Shirley Hildebrand Jessica Querry, sister-in-law of Kerri Beshore John Orahood, friend of Leon Bishop

#### MILITARY/1st RESPONDER PERSONNEL

Brian Jenkins, Army, Germany, nephew of Jerald Lehman
Taylor Sheat, National Guard, nephew of Chris Sheat
Rene Gamache-Army, husband of Jerica (Stahl) Gamache
Caleb Stevens- USAF Las Vegas, NV, son of Gary & Shelia Stevens
Richard Jones - Army-Washington, son of Linda Jones
Joey Rossiter - North Carolina, grandson of Sue Hobson
Mark Jones -Navy- Illinois, son of Linda Jones
Nathan Davis-National Guard, husband of Sarah Davis

#### MISSION OUTREACH

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# First Baptist Church



December 3, 2023

Prelude Adoration & Praise Handbells

Welcome/Announcements Chris Roth

"Go Tell It On The Mountain"

Call To Worship Isaiah 9:2 Kale Regier

Invocation Prayer Kale Regier

"Good Christian Men Rejoice"

Advent Candle Alan & Susan Ray

(Children ages 2-8 are dismissed to Children's Church)

"God With Us"
"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"

Lottie Moon Video

Offertory Prayer

Dwight Sprouls

Worship Through Giving

Offertory Adoration & Praise Handbells

Message "Hope Is At the Heart Of Christmas" Pastor Robb

Matthew 1:18~25

(page 955-956 in your Pew Bible)

Response to Message "Jesus Messiah"

Closing Prayer Larry Reed

#### O. P. B.A. MISSIONS FESTIVAL- Today

First Baptist Church Lockwood Sunday, Dec. 3rd @ 5-8:00 pm IMB Missionary and local



Missionaries from area churches

will be sharing. Dessert Fellowship 7:00-8:00 pm Please bring one to share.

Church Wide Christmas Meal Next Sunday, December 10th 4:30 –5:00 pm Carry Dut Meals 5:00-6:00 pm Fellowship Hall December Business Meeting 6:00 pm

Winter Devotionals are in the Gathering area.



# Deacon/Wife Banquet

TODAY, December 3rd Immediately following morning Worship service

Please take your Coolers from Fellowship Hall

# Upcoming Meetings

YAH Council Meeting

Monday, Dec. 4th @ 10:30 am

**Church Council Meeting** 

Tuesday, Dec. 5th @ 7:00 pm

# **Community Youth Night**

Wednesday, December 6th
First Christian Church
6:30 pm bus leaves @ 6:15 pm
Speaker : Parker Garfield
Assembly of God church

Sign Up to RING THE BELL for Salvation Army Thurs. Dec. 14th 1:00-8:00 pm time slots available.



A Cards of "Thanks" is on the Bulletin Board for the Thanksgiving Meal.

# Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

Will be received during the Month of December. Our goal this year is \$13,000

# **Volunteers for Next Week-Dec. 10th**

# Kingdom Kids-Nursery

Coordinator: Lynn Ann Sandberg
Workers: Saundra Moore / Belinda Shoff
(Nursery Volunteers are needed at this time)

Greeters

**NE Door**: David Roberts

NW Door: Dylan / Abby Gilmartin SW Door: Jerry / Suzanne Cloyed

SE Door: Todd / Staci King

#### **Connection Center**

Teresa Roberts

#### Audio/Visual

Sound: Chris Roth

Lights/Video: Valerie Waggoner

# Children's Church / Littles Church

Julie Means

Bethany Aborn

# **Deacon of the Month**

Tom Main / Harold VanDeMark

#### THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

Because of our church family's generosity, a total of **368** Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes were filled by individuals, our youth and children during their Packing Parties.

Each child who receives a shoebox will have an opportunity to hear about God and His love for them. Please pray for these children and those who will deliver the shoeboxes.

Thank you also for the volunteers that helped during Collection Week, as our church served as a drop-off sight.

During Collection Week, there were

1293 shoeboxes dropped off, packed into shipping cartons and delivered to Joplin to begin their journey to children all over the world.

#### THIS WEEK AT FBC

#### SUNDAY, DEC. 3 Advent of Hope

8:00 am Instrumental & Audio-Visual Rehearsal

9:00 am Sunday School

10:15 am Worship Service

12:00 pm Deacon's & Wives Banquet

5:00 pm OPBA Missions Festival-Lockwood

# MONDAY, DEC. 4

10:30 am YAH Council Meeting

#### TUESDAY, DEC. 5

7:00 pm Church Council Meeting

#### WEDNESDAY, DEC. 6

5:30 pm Praise Team / Christmas Drama

6:00 pm Team Kids

6:30 pm Sanctuary Choir

6:30 pm Community Youth Night-Christian Church-bus leaves @ 6:15 pm

6:30 pm Men's Ministry Bible Study

6:30 1 Thessalonians Bible study/ prayer

7:15 pm Adoration & Praise Handbells

# SUNDAY, DEC. 10 Advent of Peace

8:00 am Instrumental & Audio-Visual Rehearsal

9:00 am Sunday School

10:15 am Worship Service

# **Church wide Christmas Meal**

4:30 pm Carry out meals

5:00-6:00 pm Dine In

6:00 pm Business Meeting

# CHRISTMAS PARTY- Wed. Dec. 13th

Team Kids & Collision Youth

Everyone wear your P. J.'s Meal: Breakfast

Team Kids-6:00 pm -Meal,

decorating cookies & games

COLLISION YOUTH 6:30 pm

Meal, Scavenger Hunt &

White Elephant Gift Game (\$5.00 limit)