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NEWSLETTER OF FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH REDWATER

Keeping the Body Connected in Ministry

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"Now may the God of patience and comfort grant you to be like-minded toward one another, according to Christ Jesus, that you may with one mind and one mouth glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore receive one another, just as Christ also received us, to the glory of God."

Romans 15:5-7

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CANDLELIGHT Lord's Supper CHRISTMAS EVE | 6PM

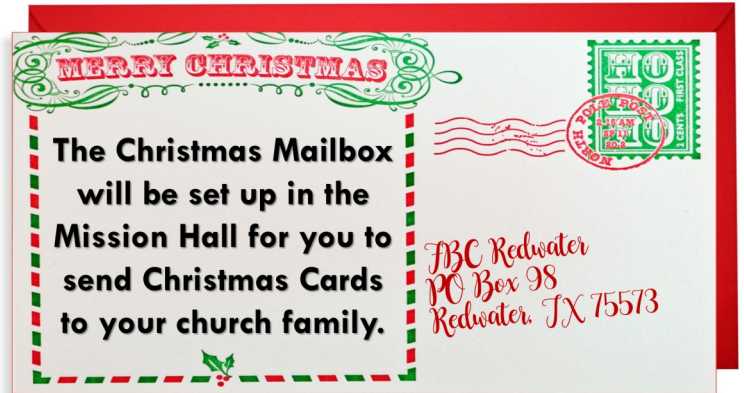
SCHEDULE FOR DECEMBER 23RD
BIBLE STUDY AT 9:30A
WORSHIP AT 10:45A
NURSERY CARE ONLY
(NO EXTENDED SESSION OR LITTLE CHURCH)
NO EVENING SERVICE
NO SERVICES WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 26



Wow! Just like that and it is CHRISTmas time. I am so thankful that unto us a Savior was born. As we celebrate and give, let us strive to keep the focus on Jesus and give even more than we "get". If you have not already written or sent CHRISTmas cards to our active duty military members from FBC Redwater, please do it now. Even if they arrive after CHRISTmas, the recipient will be glad to hear from home. A list of addresses are on the bulletin board shelf or pick one up in the office. Also, remember the FBC Post Office in the Mission Hall. No charge for mail in these boxes; save some stamp money!

I love you all in Jesus' loving name! In Excelsis Deo!

1ST SUNDAY
fellowship
 SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2ND
 Large Group Breakfast & Bible Study | 9:15a
 Church-Wide Fellowship | 6:00p



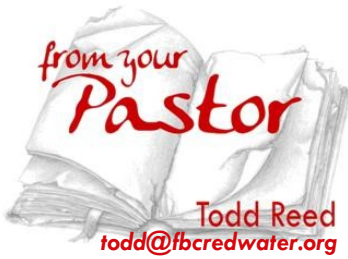
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December CPM Dates to Know





God does the most extraordinary things in the lives of ordinary people who are being faithful to do what He has given them to do. Consider Zechariah. He was just being faithful to his duties in the temple when he was surprised by a visit from Gabriel (Luke 1:11). The shepherds were just out in the field doing the ordinary things they do everyday, watching sheep. They were just being faithful to do what God had given them to do when suddenly God chose them to be the ones He surprised with a word that changed everything (Luke 2:8-20). We could say the same about Joseph (Matthew 1) and Mary, and many others in this story and throughout history. They weren't trying to become some spiritual superheroes or trying to make history, but by His choice God suddenly surprised each of them by pulling them into HIStory, and each of them when they were simply being faithful to do the ordinary things God had given them to do. He still works that way. This Christmas season, and every season, expect Him to turn the ordinary into the extraordinary...and when He does, tell everyone you can about it!

Merry Christmas from the Reeds!

New Year's Celebration

December 30 at 6pm in the FMB
bring finger foods
food, fellowship and games for all

JOY

Just Older Youth Group

EVENTS SCHEDULE FOR DECEMBER

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| 4 Game Day 10am in FMB | 11 Elkins Trio & Potluck 10am in FMB | 18 Lunch and Visitation Church at 11 am | 25 NO ACTIVITY PLANNED |
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loaves&fish
 Food Ministry of FBC Redwater
 The next food box pick-up will be

December 14th

If you are interested in helping pack and/or distribute boxes please contact Connie Gregory.

Special
 Business Meeting
 to vote on 2019 budget

DECEMBER 9TH
 following the PM service

Angel Tree
 of Redwater

Gifts due back by December 16th

Gift Delivery will be December 22nd at 9am
 Distribution will start from the Creed's
 (11131 W. 7th St.)

The Christmas
 express
 FINDING JOY IN THE JOURNEY

Children's Choir Musical | Dec 16th at 6:15p



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December Calendar of Events

| Date | Event | Date | Event |
|-------------|---|-------------|--|
| 1st | Senior Adult Winter Festival (4:30p) | 18th | JOY Group - Lunch and Visitation (11a) |
| 2nd | 1st Sunday Fellowship (Breakfast AM, Church-Wide Fellowship PM) | 19th | AOK Quiz Bowl and Fun Night |
| 4th | JOY Group - Game Day (10a) | 23rd | NO EVENING SERVICE |
| 9th | Special Business Meeting (after PM Service) | 24th | Candlelight Lord's Supper (6p) |
| 11th | JOY Group - Elkins Trio and Potluck (10a) | 24-26 | Office Closed |
| 14th | Loaves and Fish Food Box Distribution | 26th | NO MID-WEEK SERVICES |
| 16th | 3rd Sunday Fellowship (after AM Service) | 27-29 | Winter Xtreme (Branson, MO) |
| | Children's Musical (PM Service) | 30th | New Year's Celebration (6p) |
| | CPM Christmas SNAC (after PM Service) | 31-Jan 1 | Office Closed |