



**National Goal: \$160 million**  
**Missouri Baptist Convention Goal: \$4 million**  
**First Baptist Church Goal: \$10,000**

**Poinsettias for Christmas**

Once again, we will be decorating the Worship Center with beautiful poinsettias in honor of those who have shared the joys of the season with us in the past. These poinsettias will be displayed on December 17 with a memorial listing in the Mainspring. You may take them home, if desired, after the Candlelight Service on December 24.



**Combined Service-Sunday, Dec. 24**

We will have a combined service on Christmas Eve. Small group Bible study will meet at 9:15 am and Worship will be at 10:40 am. We will once again assign alternate classrooms for the classes that normally meet at the 8:15 & 10:40 times.

**Christmas Eve Service**



Come for a special Candlelight service at 5:30 pm on December 24.

**New Class to begin Jan. 7**

“Keys to Understanding the Bible” is an 8 week class designed to help every student of the Bible grow in their understanding and application of God’s Word. Class times will be Sunday evenings at 5:00 pm. For more information contact Jerry Pfeifer at 417-283-1583.

**Youth Calendar Events for December**

10 Costa Rica Fundraiser Costa Rican Coffee Sales (FLC)	11	12	13 Green Room	14	15 5th Quarter (FLC)	6 *5-7 PM Nevada’s Obnoxious Carolers
17 Costa Rica Fundraiser Costa Rican Coffee	18	19	20 Green Room	21	22	23 *5-7 PM Nevada’s Obnoxious Carolers
24 Costa Rica Fundraiser Costa Rican Coffee Sales (FLC)	25 Happy Birthday Jesus! OFFICE	26 Lights at the Lake Youth Fundraiser for Costa Rica CLOSED	27 Green Room	28	29	30 *5-7 PM Nevada’s Obnoxious Carolers
31 Costa Rica Fundraiser Costa Rican Coffee	Jan.1 OFFICE	Jan.2 CLOSED	Jan.3 Green Room	Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the LORD your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you. Deuteronomy 31:6		

**Pray for our Deacons**

Because our Deacon ministry functions from a team approach, they look forward to working with you in the new year. Please pray for all our deacons as they lead in service to our Lord and Savior.

**Current deacons are:**

Art Belt, Jason Blight, Dustan Campbell, Lyle Catron, Ron Chandler, Jim Clark, Dan Coffman, Brad Copeland, Marvin Davison, Al Dunn, Ron Fisk, Chet Foreman, Bill Foster, Harold Gragg, Kevin Hallam, George Hold, Richard Hovey, Lynn Meinershagen, Jerry Pfeifer, B.D. Roberts, Ron Schowengerdt, Harold Steward, Lawrence Tally, Max Wagner, John Wilson

If you are not involved in serving you may join one or more of the following teams:

- Homebound Team**    **Small Jobs Team**    **Bereavement Team**
- Richard Hovey            Bill Foster            George Hold
- Hospital Visitation Team**    **Meals Team**    **Prayer & Card Team**
- Ron Schoengerdt            Ron Chandler            Marvin Davison

**\*Nevada’s Obnoxious Carolers**

The Carolers will come to your home or to someone’s home you specify. Give Nick Williams a call at 903-513-6544 to set up a performance. They will be out and about Saturdays until after Christmas raising funds for their Costa Rica Mission Trip next summer.

**Angel Tree at FBC-Nevada**

This is it! It is time to have the angel tree gifts back to the church. Your help in providing clothing for all the families in need is so appreciated! Please return your items to the front office **no later than tomorrow, Monday, December 11th**. Please return your items in a gift bag with tissue paper folded and tucked inside. We will do a final packing of all the presents before we deliver them. Thank you so much for your help! If you have any questions please contact Courtney Majors at 816-210-0703.



*The Word of God is living and active sharper than any two-edged sword. Hebrews 4:12*

**Just for Laughs**

*Yes, I am a Senior Citizen*

- I’m the life of the party—even if it lasts until 8 pm.
- I’m very good at opening child proof caps—with a hammer
- I’m usually interested in going home before I get to where I am going.
- I’m smiling all the time because I can’t hear a thing you’re saying.
- I’m very good at telling stories—over and over and over and...
- I’m not really grouchy, I just don’t like traffic, waiting, crowds, lawyers, loud music, unruly kids, barking dogs, politicians and a few other things I can’t seem to remember right now.
- I’m wondering, if you’re only as old as you feel, how could I be alive at 150?
- I’m a walking storeroom of facts—I’ve just lost the key to the storeroom door.
- Yes, I’m a senior citizen, and I think I am having the time of my life!

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