

SERMON NOTES

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, December 21
9:15 AM Sunday School
10:30 AM Worship Service
4:00 PM Christmas Reception
5:00 PM Carols by Candlelight Service

Monday, December 22
7:00 PM Martial Arts Class

Wednesday, December 24
CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED - NO ACTIVITIES

Thursday, December 25
CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED - NO ACTIVITIES

Saturday, December 27
12:00 PM Homeless Ministry

Sunday, December 28
9:15 AM Sunday School
10:30 AM Worship Service
3:30 PM Visitation/Outreach
5:00 PM Youth Refuge



The worshipers at Metairie Baptist Church are its Ministers.
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METAIRIE BAPTIST CHURCH

So the world will know,
the saved will grow,
and the church will go



You are Invited
to Join Us This Evening
at 5:00pm for the
Christmas by Candlelight
Service.

Celebrate with us as the events
of Christ's birth are told from
Scripture and through song.

Invite family & friends as we
begin the celebration with
refreshments at 4:00pm in the
Fellowship Hall



December 21, 2014

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### Prelude

"What Child Is This?"

Brenda Jenkins

### Welcome and Announcements

"All Glory"

### Call to Worship

"Go, Tell It on the Mountain" #95

"Good Christian Men, Rejoice" #96

"Joy to the World" #87

### Worship Through Prayer

"The First Noel" #85

"O Come, All Ye Faithful" #89

Kim Newcomb - Soloist

### Worship Through Giving

"The First Noel"

Lydia Clark

"Joseph's Song"

Richard Geiseler - Soloist

### Message

Dr. Thomas Strong

### Time Of Commitment

"Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne" 121

### Benediction

"Joy to the World"

### Verse of the Month:

For a child will be born to us, a son will be given to us: And the government will rest on His shoulders; And His name will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace. There will be no end to the increase of His government or of peace.

- Isaiah 9:6-7



**The Hospitality Committee will be hosting the Christmas Reception this evening at 4:00pm. You may bring your favorite finger food or treat. Come and enjoy the food and fellowship!**



You are invited and encouraged to join us beginning on **Wednesday night, Jan. 7, 2015**, as our new series of Bible Studies/Small Group Studies begin! Make plans to make the commitment to be a part of one of these exciting opportunities that will encourage you in your walk with Christ and challenge you to grow daily to become more like Him:

\*A Bible study on "Jonah" will be taught by Betty Frechette for the women of the church.

\*A men's study entitled "The Disciple's Cross" will be led by Mitch Mares.

\*A couple's study will be led jointly by the Cooglers and the Lonsberrys.

\*A discipleship study for all (both men and women) entitled

"The Disciple's Personality" will be led by Thomas Strong.

**More details will be provided in the days ahead, but make plans now to be a part of these exciting growth opportunities.**

December 14, 2014		Wednesday Night December 24th
Sunday School:	132	NO ACTIVITIES
Worship:	219	
December Stewardship		
Weekly Budget:	\$ 8,258	
Offering (12/14/14):	\$ 7,535	
Budget to Date:	\$16,517	
DEC. Offering to Date:	\$16,988	

### Reminders and Events

Today @ 4:00pm - Christmas Reception

Today @ 5:00pm - Carols by Candlelight Service

Wednesday, Dec. 24 - Church Office Closed for Holiday (No Activities)

Thursday, Dec. 25 - Church Office Closed for Holiday (No Activities)

### Mark Your Calendar

Tuesday, December 30th we will host the Mobberly Youth Choir for a concert at 6:30pm in the sanctuary. Come and enjoy!

A "Pre-New Year's Eve Party" for our joint Youth Groups will follow in the Fellowship Hall with lots of fun, food and games.



### The MBC Post Office



Located in the Orion Foyer is still open to receive and deliver your Christmas cards to our church family. Just place the cards in the appropriate slot and deposit \$.25 per card. All proceeds benefit the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. Don't forget to check and see if you have mail!

### The Children's Ministry at MBC is

having a Christmas Boutique today before and after service. Please stop by the Fellowship Hall and support our children as they save for camp.

Crafts and treats will be for sale on a donation basis.

### Deacon of the Week Wes Lonsberry

(504)304-9896

Please contact Wes for any ministry need or illness.

### SAMARITAN MINISTRY

(24 hours for emergencies or ministry needs)

Please contact **Andrea Neesley** at 504-737-1410 or 504-458-5405

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