

December 1, 2021

*"And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we saw His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth." John 1:14*

**Calendar Events:**

12—Preschool, Children's Choir sing in Worship services. See email for details.

15—Last Kids Missions.

16—OCC Trip to Boone Processing Center.

18—Charles Billingsley and Adult Choir, 6 PM concert.

19—Silent Lord's Supper, 5 PM.

22, 29—  
No Kids Missions.

26—No TAKE TWO class, there WILL be Extended Care for Preschool.

Jan 5—  
No Kids Missions



# FBCG Kids



## The whole Bible ...

In our Preschool and Elementary Sunday school classes, we have just completed the lessons that are referred to as the "Easter" lessons. We are aware that this is off-season and for some classes, we are aware that they activities they brought home said "Easter". :) The overall theme that we are reminded of each week is that **"the whole Bible is about Jesus."** During class time, the older students, off the top of the head, came up with ways that this statement is true. In thinking of Christmas approaching, from the Old Testament, the prophecies that foretold the coming of Jesus that we reference are in Isaiah and Micah (Isaiah 7:14, Isaiah 9:6, Micah 5:2). In what ways can you and your family find throughout the Bible to show that this statement is true: "the whole Bible is about Jesus."

### GETTING LOST

In the Take Two class (Sundays, 10:30 AM), we spend a few minutes learning about church members that serve in different capacities throughout the church.

## "Getting Lost"

—staff, SS teachers, deacons, ushers, greeters, Praise Team, instrumentalists, and many more. If the person's picture is in the church directory, we look at it. These people completed a questionnaire that tell us about themselves—some fun facts and facts about where they serve. It also gives us a prayer request. We pray for the person that we are learning about and for the area of ministry where they serve. As the class comes into church, we look to see if we can spot the person. The ones in Choir or on stage are easier to spot, obviously. Every so often we will spend time walking around the building, on a prayerwalk, talking about ministries that happen throughout the building. One of the students calls this "Getting Lost". :) From time to time, the students ask, can we go "get lost"?

The security team may see the Take Two skipping through the halls but we have a purpose in our "Getting Lost" adventures. We are learning about the ministries of FBCG, about those

## Lottie Moon's Christmas List

that lead and participate in them, and praying for them as we go.

### Lottie Moon's Christmas List

This time each year, we collect the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for the International Mission Board missionaries. 100% of the offering goes overseas for ministry. What kind of things would have been on Lottie's Christmas list? Hmm It maybe something like this:

- Bibles in new languages
- Healthcare and medicines for missionaries
- Planting churches
- Training pastors
- Bible study materials
- Blankets for refugees
- Transportation for missionaries
- Language training
- Homeschool curriculum
- Visas for Missionaries
- Disciples of all nations

As you/we pray and give to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering some of these Christmas list items can be met.

## Announcements and Resources

FOR Preteens (5/6 Grades)  
A STUDY THROUGH  
REVELATION

Beginning in January 2022, Bob Dyer will be hosting a study through the book of Revelation for our Preteens.  
**Wed PM, 6:10—7 PM.**  
Students that would like to

participate should sign up in their SS classroom.

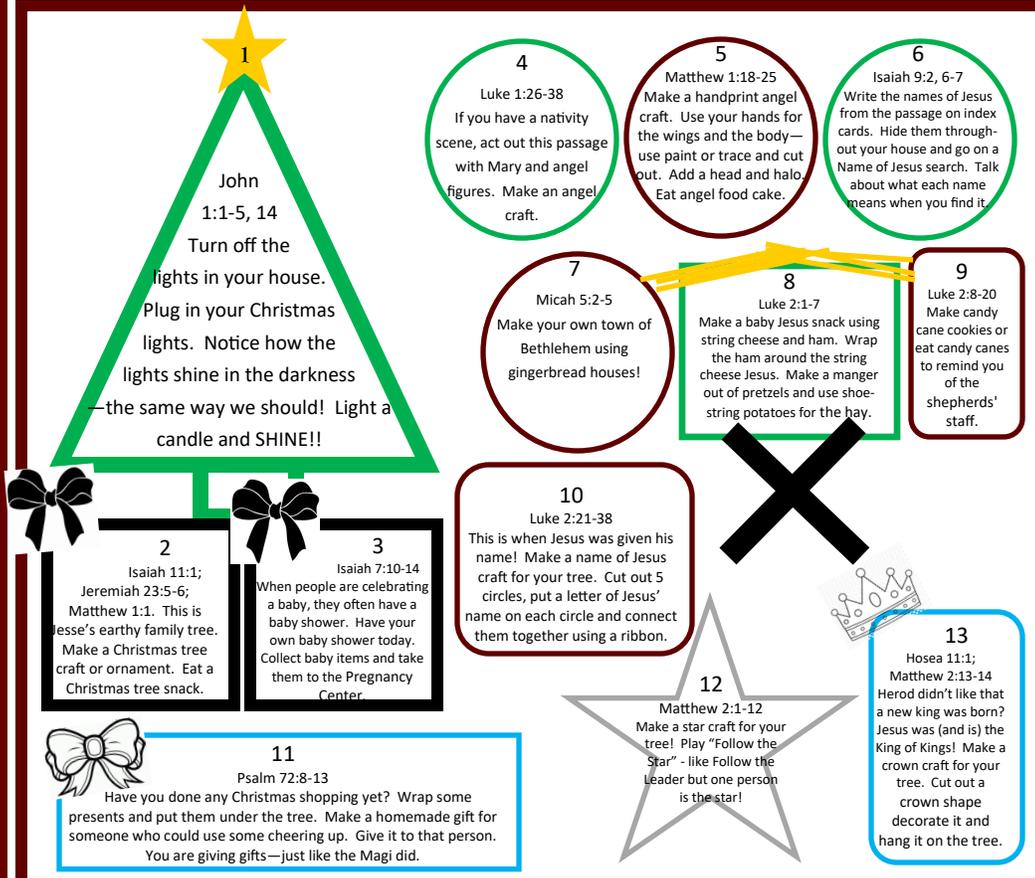


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Post Office is **open through December 15**. The Post Office is for "sending" cards to those that are **actively** attending First Baptist. Make sure to check to see if you have received cards too.

## Advent Calendar



**1** John 1:1-5, 14  
Turn off the lights in your house. Plug in your Christmas lights. Notice how the lights shine in the darkness—the same way we should! Light a candle and SHINE!!

**2** Isaiah 11:1; Jeremiah 23:5-6; Matthew 1:1. This is Jesse's earthy family tree. Make a Christmas tree craft or ornament. Eat a Christmas tree snack.

**3** Isaiah 7:10-14  
When people are celebrating a baby, they often have a baby shower. Have your own baby shower today. Collect baby items and take them to the Pregnancy Center.

**4** Luke 1:26-38  
If you have a nativity scene, act out this passage with Mary and angel figures. Make an angel craft.

**5** Matthew 1:18-25  
Make a handprint angel craft. Use your hands for the wings and the body—use paint or trace and cut out. Add a head and halo. Eat angel food cake.

**6** Isaiah 9:2, 6-7  
Write the names of Jesus from the passage on index cards. Hide them throughout your house and go on a Name of Jesus search. Talk about what each name means when you find it.

**7** Micah 5:2-5  
Make your own town of Bethlehem using gingerbread houses!

**8** Luke 2:1-7  
Make a baby Jesus snack using string cheese and ham. Wrap the ham around the string cheese Jesus. Make a manger out of pretzels and use shoestring potatoes for the hay.

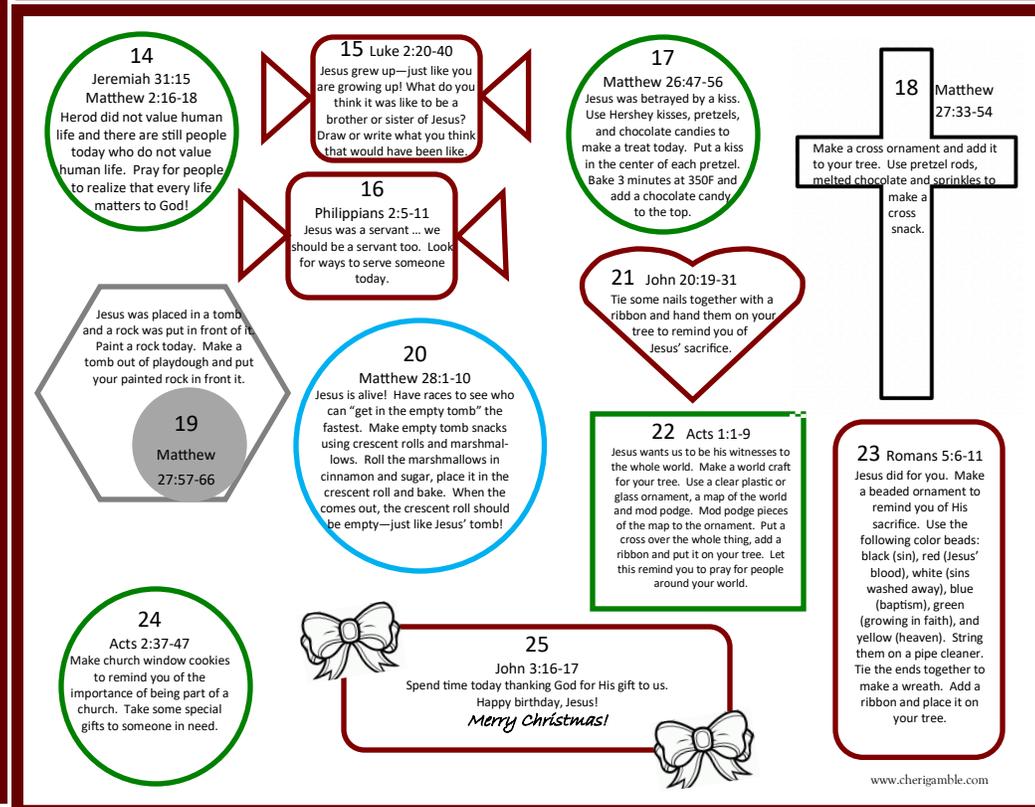
**9** Luke 2:8-20  
Make candy cane cookies or eat candy canes to remind you of the shepherds' staff.

**10** Luke 2:21-38  
This is when Jesus was given his name! Make a name of Jesus craft for your tree. Cut out 5 circles, put a letter of Jesus' name on each circle and connect them together using a ribbon.

**11** Psalm 72:8-13  
Have you done any Christmas shopping yet? Wrap some presents and put them under the tree. Make a homemade gift for someone who could use some cheering up. Give it to that person. You are giving gifts—just like the Magi did.

**12** Matthew 2:1-12  
Make a star craft for your tree! Play "Follow the Star" - like Follow the Leader but one person is the star!

**13** Hosea 11:1; Matthew 2:13-14  
Herod didn't like that a new king was born? Jesus was (and is) the King of Kings! Make a crown craft for your tree. Cut out a crown shape, decorate it and hang it on the tree.



**14** Jeremiah 31:15; Matthew 2:16-18  
Herod did not value human life and there are still people today who do not value human life. Pray for people to realize that every life matters to God!

**15** Luke 2:20-40  
Jesus grew up—just like you are growing up! What do you think it was like to be a brother or sister of Jesus? Draw or write what you think that would have been like.

**16** Philippians 2:5-11  
Jesus was a servant... we should be a servant too. Look for ways to serve someone today.

**17** Matthew 26:47-56  
Jesus was betrayed by a kiss. Use Hershey kisses, pretzels, and chocolate candies to make a treat today. Put a kiss in the center of each pretzel. Bake 3 minutes at 350F and add a chocolate candy to the top.

**18** Matthew 27:33-54  
Make a cross ornament and add it to your tree. Use pretzel rods, melted chocolate and sprinkles to make a cross snack.

**19** Matthew 27:57-66  
Jesus was placed in a tomb and a rock was put in front of it. Paint a rock today. Make a tomb out of playdough and put your painted rock in front of it.

**20** Matthew 28:1-10  
Jesus is alive! Have races to see who can "get in the empty tomb" the fastest. Make empty tomb snacks using crescent rolls and marshmallows. Roll the marshmallows in cinnamon and sugar, place it in the crescent roll and bake. When the comes out, the crescent roll should be empty—just like Jesus' tomb!

**21** John 20:19-31  
Tie some nails together with a ribbon and hand them on your tree to remind you of Jesus' sacrifice.

**22** Acts 1:1-9  
Jesus wants us to be his witnesses to the whole world. Make a world craft for your tree. Use a clear plastic or glass ornament, a map of the world and mod podge. Mod podge pieces of the map to the ornament. Put a cross over the whole thing, add a ribbon and put it on your tree. Let this remind you to pray for people around your world.

**23** Romans 5:6-11  
Jesus did for you. Make a beaded ornament to remind you of His sacrifice. Use the following color beads: black (sin), red (Jesus' blood), white (sins washed away), blue (baptism), green (growing in faith), and yellow (heaven). String them on a pipe cleaner. Tie the ends together to make a wreath. Add a ribbon and place it on your tree.

**24** Acts 2:37-47  
Make church window cookies to remind you of the importance of being part of a church. Take some special gifts to someone in need.

**25** John 3:16-17  
Spend time today thanking God for His gift to us. Happy birthday, Jesus!  
*Merry Christmas!*

## Mission Moment ...

December is the month that we highlight the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for the International Mission Board.

Charlotte (Lottie) Diggers, was from VA. Lottie's sister was appointed as a missionary to China, 1872, and Lottie was appointed to go a year later. Lottie Moon was passionate about people knowing Christ. Lottie spent 39 years in China and died there.

In 1918 the annual Christmas offering after Lottie Moon. 100% of the offerings from the IMB are sent overseas. This offerings are used for a variety of ministry things.

One team was able to purchase Jesus Storybook Bibles and Bibles for all the families that attended the multiple family camps in summer 2021.

With the Olympics in Japan this past year, there were multiple ways to use the LMCO funds for outreach and follow-up.

One in Africa shares that she teaches cake-baking classes. In these classes, the Gospel is shared too. The participants are encouraged to use the cake to reach out to their neighbors. Then when the plate is returned, use that opportunity to share the Gospel with their neighbor. Ministry can be creative. It is connecting with people at their interests, hobbies, and building relationships. Please pray for our missionaries.

