

HomeCare Christmas Card Project - *Today* is the final day to bring addressed Christmas cards for our HomeCare Ministry. Names are available in the Church Office. Cards will be delivered by our ministerial staff this month and are a highlight for these dear friends during the holiday season.



Gift list cards for Plano Children's Clinic families are still available *today* on the Exchange trees located in the office lobby,

outside the Great Hall and by the Weekday School (preschool area). Choose a card(s) from a tree, and help us by only purchasing the gift listed on the card. Join us on Wednesday, **December 14** as we come together for dinner at 5:00 p.m. and wrapping gifts at 6:00 p.m. Please bring all gifts with the gift list card attached.

Friendship Club Brunch (55+) - Join us in the Great Hall at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, **December 13**, to enjoy brunch and a special musical performance by our Weekday School preschoolers.

Potted Poinsettias are used to decorate the Sanctuary during the Christmas season. These \$10.00 poinsettias may be purchased in honor or memory of family, friends and other loved ones, or given as a donation. Place your cash/check in an offering envelope marked "poinsettia" along with your name, phone number, and the name(s) for whom the plant has been purchased. Contact Joyce Roberts at 972-424-8551 or email joycer@fbcplano.org for additional information. The deadline to purchase poinsettias is Wednesday, **December 14**. Poinsettias will be available for pick up following the 6:00 p.m. Christmas Eve service.

End-Of-Year Giving - Gifts to First Baptist Plano must be received in the Church Office or postmarked by midnight, **December 31**, to receive credit for the 2016 tax year. A new secure drop-box is being installed in the outside office entrance door and will be monitored daily. **Please note that the Church Office will be closed during the week of December 26-30.**

Giving Opportunities - In addition to the regular giving through the offering plate and the online giving option of MyFBC, we now have two new options for giving to First Baptist Plano and its ministries.

Text - In your text message app, send the message FBCPLANO to phone number 73256. Fund options currently listed are Budget, Annual Missions, and Benevolence.

ChurchLife App - Giving is now an option on the drop-down menu under People and Calendar. All Funds are available to choose from here.

Mat-Making Ministry Collections - We are collecting plastic bags that will be used to create outdoor sleeping mats for homeless people in Plano. Bring your donations to the Church Office.



DECEMBER 10 & 11

Invite your family and friends to join us as we enjoy the beautiful music of Christmas presented by the FBC Sanctuary Choir and Orchestra. Concerts begin at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. You are invited to a reception in the gym following each concert.

Christmas Day and New Year's Day One Service at 10:30 a.m., Sanctuary

No Sunday School on these days · Childcare will be provided on January 1

IF: Gathering, February 3-4, 2017 - Ladies, save the date! This year, we will look at one of the most influential generations that have ever lived — the early church. The way God moved through them was simple and pure. Make plans now to bring a friend and join us as we gather, equip and unleash the next generation of women to live out their purpose.

STUDENT MINISTRY

Final Life Group of 2016 - Tonight, 6:00 p.m. in The Refuge

Christmas Ao1 Night @ Journey - Wednesday, **December 7** - 7:30 p.m. in The Refuge

Christmas Ornament Look-Alike Party, December 17 - Bring a friend and join us at the home of Dennis and Lisa Gorman, 6:30 - 9:00 p.m. Bring a white elephant gift (\$10 limit), and dress like the ornament you bring. Prizes, food, games, and more!

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Parent's Night Out, December 9 (6:30-9:30 p.m.) - **Today** is the deadline to return your form and fee to Cathy Hacker in the Children's Ministry Office. Late registration is \$15 per child through Wednesday, December 7. Visit www.fbcplano.org/children.

Family Advent Calendars - Parents of 4 year olds through 5th grade are reminded to make Christ the center of their Christmas celebration by observing these time-honored traditions at home and using the family activities each day this month.

DECEMBER 4, 2016

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4

9:00 a.m. Traditional Service, Sanctuary
10:05 a.m. Bible Study (All Ages); Financial Peace University, B208
11:00 a.m. Forest Community Baptist Church, The Refuge
11:15 a.m. Contemporary Service, Great Hall
Arabic Baptist Church of Dallas, Chapel
11:30 a.m. Agape Baptist Christian Fellowship, B218
12:30 p.m. Orchestra Rehearsal, Sanctuary
4:30 p.m. Adult Handbells, Handbell Room
6:00 p.m. Student Life Groups, The Refuge
Children's Choir, C112, C206 & C208

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6

6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast, *Poor Richard's Café*
9:00 a.m. Parent's Day Out
JVP Quilters, Offsite

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7

4:45 p.m. Wednesday Night Meal, Great Hall
6:00 p.m. Bible Study, Great Hall
6:30 p.m. AWANA, Children's Hallway
Bible Study in Spanish, B219
Orchestra Rehearsal, Sanctuary
UPG Ministry Team, B102
7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room
7:15 p.m. *Journey* (Students), The Refuge
7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8

9:00 a.m. Parent's Day Out
6:30 p.m. ESL Classes, B202 & B204

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9

6:30 p.m. Parent's Night Out

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10

7:00 p.m. **Celebrate Christmas Concert**, Sanctuary
Church-Wide Reception, Gym

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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Damaris Hobbs, *Transfer of Letter*

Caden Steenbergen, *Baptized*

CHURCH FINANCIAL REPORT

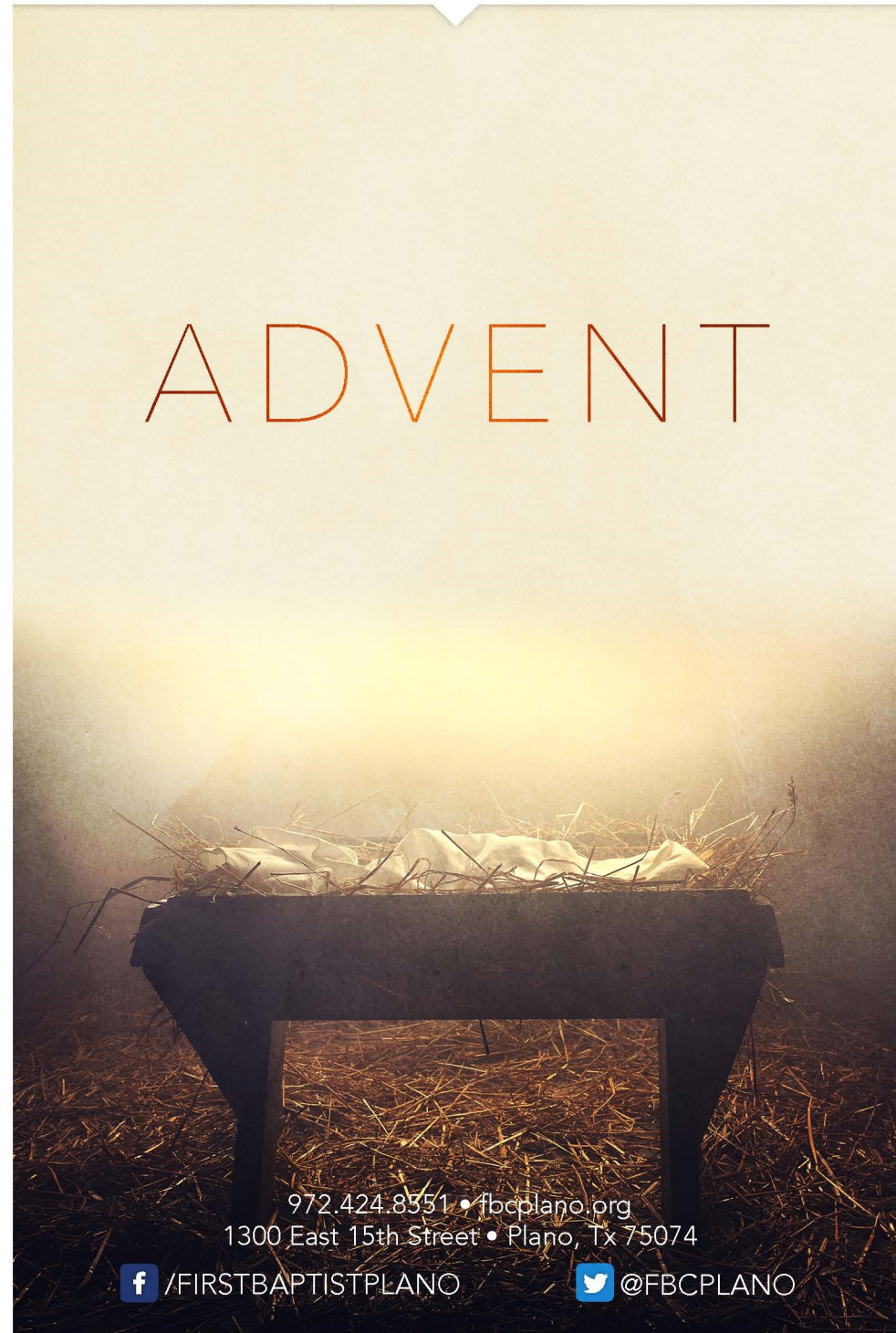
Planned giving through November 27: \$574,161 Actual giving through November 27: \$509,082 (11%)

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