

By the Cross We Care
One Person at a Time

BARCELONA BANNER

One Small Child

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*Presented by Choir,
Orchestra and Soloists*

**BARCELONA ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH
HOT SPRINGS VILLAGE, AR**

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2016
3:00 AND 6:30 PM**

**Dr. Jon Stubblefield, Pastor
Duane Blakley, Minister of Music**

Free Admission

Child Care Provided

**DECEMBER MEMORY
VERSE**

**"Glory to God in the
highest, and on earth
peace, good will toward
men."**

~Luke 2:14, KJV

From my heart to yours:



The Wonder of Christmas

When the shepherds heard the announcement of the first Christmas, they were filled with amazement. They came "with haste" to discover baby Jesus lying in a manger. When word began to make the rounds, "all that heard it wondered at those things" (Luke 2:18). It has been that way ever since.

Especially for children, Christmas is a time for wonder. For them, the story of Jesus' birth never grows old. In fact, children sometimes discover new insights or interpretations concerning the story. A little boy and his parents were viewing a manger scene. He pointed to the cattle and the camels, to the regal Wise Men and the curious Shepherds, to the heavenly Angels, and to Mary and Baby Jesus. Finally, he focused on Joseph with bowed head standing behind the manger. "There's Virg," he said. His father was astounded. "Virg? That's not his name." To which the boy replied, "Yes it is. Remember the part where it talks about the baby being born to "Virg and Mary." We never know when some new insight will come our way!

Christmas is a time for wonder. We pause to thank God for the greatest gift ever given. "For unto us a child is born. Unto us a son is given." As Paul Scherer put it, "God came down the stairway of heaven with a baby in his arms." Yes, the wonder of it all!

Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

Our Lottie Moon Christmas Offering goal is \$16,500. This is a challenging goal, but we can

reach it if we all give generously. Last year our church gave \$16,166 to help our missionaries around the world. For the past several years our giving has ranked in the top 2 percent of the 50,000 SBC churches in per capita giving to the Lottie Moon Offering.

Christmas Worship

Christmas is a wonderful time for worship. Plan to be faithful in Bible Study and Worship attendance during the Advent season. The word "advent" means "coming" and points to the birth of Jesus Christ as our Savior and Lord. Willard and Duane have planned a special Sunday night service on November 27 to mark the beginning of the Christmas season. The Sanctuary will be decorated for the occasion. Our Sanctuary Choir and Orchestra will lead us in a meaningful time of worship through music on Friday, December 9. Note the front of the **Banner**. Invite your friends and neighbors to this popular annual Village event held at our church. Our Children's Christmas program will be on Wednesday, December 14 at the time of our monthly potluck meal in Fellowship Hall. Our Women's Ministry has planned a time of fellowship and worship on Sunday evening, December 18, beginning at 5:00 PM with a potluck meal. The program will include drama and Christmas carol singing. Our Christmas Eve Communion and Candlelight service will take place at 5:00 PM. Then on Christmas Day, which is on Sunday this year, we will have Morning Worship **only** at 10:30. Come as a family, and dress is casual if you like.

Greetings from the Stubblefields

Christmas greetings from the Stubblefields! This is our fourth Christmas with you at Barcelona Road Baptist Church. Jackie and I wish for you a joyous, Christ-filled holiday season. May our Christmas prayer once again be the words of Charles Wesley: "Come, thou long-expected Jesus, born to set thy people free. From our fears and sins release us; let us find our rest in Thee."

Your Pastor,

Jon Stubblefield

Attendance & Finances

| | Bible Study | Sun AM | Sun PM | Wed. |
|----------|-------------|--------|--------|------|
| 10/02/16 | 154 | 157 | 57 | 85 |
| 10/09/16 | 166 | 184 | 97 | 94 |
| 10/16/16 | 181 | 208 | 96 | 105 |
| 10/23/16 | 169 | 207 | 100 | 115 |
| 10/31/16 | 168 | 210 | 82 | 92 |

OCTOBER BUDGET RECEIPTS: \$63,688.06



Happy Anniversary

3—Linda Carpenter
 3—Dottie Maynard
 6—Sue Lopez
 8—Mikayla Marriott
 9—Mickey Davis
 9—Raymond Rynders
 11—Betty Lou Haywood
 12—Lotte Willett
 15—Jacob Gilmer
 16—Dianne Latiolais
 18—Elaine Patterson
 18—Joe Poindexter

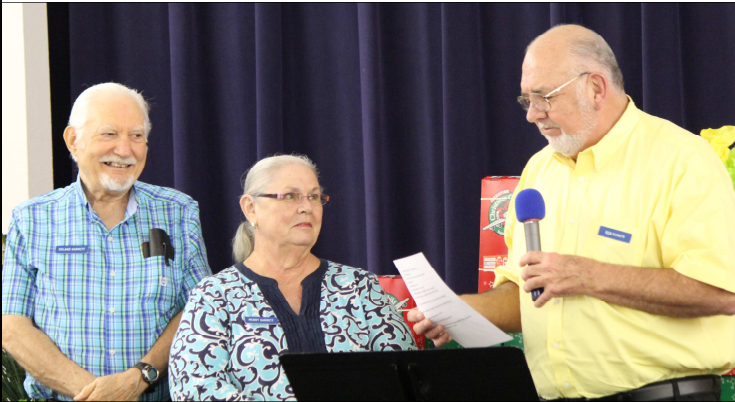
20—Georgia Ann Traylor
 21—Mary Deain
 21—Gretchen Hewitt
 21—Carl Russell
 22—Cathy Cudworth
 27—Jon Stubblefield
 30—Bill Armstrong
 30—Anne Iley
 30—Barbara Powell
 30—Bob Smith
 30—Ralph Wagner

1—Bill and Carol Fincher
 8—Jimmy and Maggi Payne
 9—Ske and Phyllis Eddy
 14—Bill and Becky Bettis
 14—Bob and Betty DeLong
 23—Randy and Kristin Whitaker
 24—Bob and Rosie Callicott
 26—James and Betty Haywood
 27—Dick and JoAnne Fulton



Veterans and Choir shown on November 13 during the recognition of the service men and women from Barcelona Road Baptist Church.

FIFTH SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP



Deacon Ron Kunath introduced Roland and Merry Garrett at October's Fifth Sunday Fellowship.



Geri LeBlanc fulfilled her role as MC for the Fellowship one final time before moving to be closer to children and grandchildren.

Her dedication and humor will be missed by her loving church family.



Join your BRBC family on New Year's Eve at 5:00 o'clock for snacks, fellowship, and a devotion from our Pastor. Games will be played and fun will be had!

Good Job, Natalie!



Natalie Kral Ramsey, daughter of Barbara Kral and granddaughter of Sandie Middleton and the late Wally Middleton, is shown with Mike Seabaugh and Jason Wilkie at the Arkansas Baptist State Convention in October.

Natalie gave a moving testimony on how Camp Siloam had affected her life and she mentioned the influence of Barcelona Road Baptist Church and Ouachita Baptist College.





SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24

5:00 PM

Come for a meaningful worship service as we celebrate our Savior's birth with songs, scripture readings, and the Lord's Supper.

DECEMBER 2016

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | | 1 5:00 Agape Class | 2 10:00 Ladies Day Out 1:00 Prayer Shawl | 3 |
| 4 9:30 Bible Study 10:30 Morning Worship Noon Women's Ministry Team 5:15 Youth 6:00 Evening Worship | 5 | 6 6:00 Deacon Council | 7 5:00 All Stars 5:00 Finance Comm 6:00 Prayer Service 6:55 Choir Rehearsal | 8 | 9 1:00 Prayer Shawl 3 & 6:30 Choir Christmas Program | 10 |
| 11 9:30 Bible Study 10:30 Morning Worship 5:00 Church Council 5:15 Youth 6:00 Evening Worship | 12 5:00 Hope Class, Fellowship Hall | 13 5:30 Seekers Class | 14 5:00 Children's Christmas Program 5:00 Potluck 6:00 Business Mtg | 15 | 16 10:00 Ladies Day Out 1:00 Prayer Shawl 6:00 Youth Christmas Party | 17 |
| 18 9:30 Bible Study 10:30 Morning Worship 5:15 Youth 5:00 Christmas Pot Luck 6:00 Evening Worship | 19 | 20 | 21 6:00 Prayer Service | 22 | 23 1:00 Prayer Shawl | 24  5:00 CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT COMMUNION SERVICE |
| 25  10:30 Christmas Worship Service | 26 CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY (Church Offices Closed) | 27 CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY (Church Offices Closed) | 28 NO SERVICES CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY (Church Offices Closed) | 29 CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY (Church Offices Closed) | 30 CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY (Church Offices Closed) | 31 5:00 NEW YEAR'S EVE FELLOWSHIP |

INTERNATIONAL WEEKEND, NOVEMBER 5-6, 2016



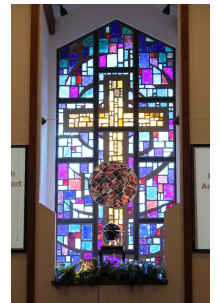
Nan and Terry Williams



Laura and Jimmy Gentry



Sue Farrow and Barbara Smith serving



Sanctuary on Sunday morning



David Mason



Margarito Ramirez



Jon Stubblefield



Willard Zeiser



Duane Blakley

Christmas Potluck Dinner & Skit

The BRBC Christmas Potluck Dinner will be held at 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 18. The Women's Ministry Team will be preparing the meat with the church family bringing in their favorite side dishes, salads, and desserts to share. Sign-up sheets for you to indicate what you will bring will be provided.

Sign-up sheets are also available in the church foyer and in each Sunday School class for those who plan to attend this fun, festive event. Please be sure to write in the number of people you will be bringing to the dinner so we can have a good head count for planning.

THE COMEDY SKIT:

If you would like to participate in the skit which will follow the potluck dinner, please contact Kristin Whitaker by **Sunday, Dec. 4**. We will need 10 actors and actresses (including several children and youth) to participate in the comedy skit plus 4 helpers to assemble the simple scenery, help with the curtain, and take care of other 'behind the scenes' details.

If there are not enough people brave enough to participate in the skit, we will go to Plan B for entertainment. Afterward, Bro. Jon and others will lead the evening worship service in the Fellowship Hall.

Contact Kristin Whitaker, 501-922-0363, or by email at randyw20@att.net, for more information.



Some of the youth and children are shown with the shoeboxes prepared for Operation Christmas Child. As of November 16, 313 boxes were completed. Plans and preparations are also being made for the Children's Christmas program which will be December 14 at 5:00 o'clock in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone is invited to the pot luck dinner and program.

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**Deadline for articles is the
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Merry
Christmas

If you are moving, have an email or phone number change, please contact the church office so your records can be changed. The church has to pay for each returned Banner.

Schedule of Services:

Sunday Services:

Sunday School - 9:30 A.M.
Morning Worship - 10:30 AM
Youth - 5:15 PM
Evening Worship - 6:00 PM

Wednesday Evening:

All STARS/Youth Activities - 5:00 PM
Prayer Service - 6:00 PM
Choir Rehearsal - 6:55 PM

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Monday through Thursday 8:30 am—4:30 pm
Friday 8:30 am—3:00 pm