



Fairfield Highlands Baptist Church

MESSENGER

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Bro. Ed's Epistle *"Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget none of His benefits;" Psalm 103:2*

The words of an old hymn echo the admonition of the psalmist: "Count your blessings, name them one by one." It should not be necessary to urge us not to forget God's blessings. However, that is our natural tendency. As a result, we become ungrateful, discontented and even bitter. How much better we will be if we take time each day to name the benefits God provides for us. Chief among God's benefits are his grace and love which yield eternal and abundant life. Join me today as we remember all of God's benefits.

It is a joy to serve as your pastor. It is one of God's great benefits to me.

Tuesday Night, November 23 we will have our Thanksgiving Prayer Service. There will be NO Prayer Meeting on Wednesday, November 24th.

Samaritan's Purse, Christmas Shoe Box
Remember your donations, mark your envelope **Christmas Box**, deadline is Nov. 21st.
Average cost per box is \$10 plus \$7 shipping.

CHRISTMAS ON THE HIGHLANDS
Sunday, December 19th, during the morning worship service. "O HOLY NIGHT" shared by the worship choir, with a covered dish lunch following the service, NO EVENING WORSHIP.

HARRY'S HEARTBEAT

With Indians as guests about tables loaded with fish and game, wild fruits, corn bread, and vegetables from their gardens, the pilgrim fathers celebrated their first American Harvest Festival in October, 1621. In 1777, during the course of the Revolutionary War, the Continental Congress appointed December 18th as Thanksgiving Day. During his first year in office, President Washington issued a proclamation recommending that Thanksgiving be changed to Nov. 26th. In 1864, President Lincoln changed it to the last Thursday in November. Again in 1939, President Roosevelt, desiring to lengthen the interval between Thanksgiving and Christmas, named the next to the last Thursday in November as the date of celebration. Finally in December 1941, Congress passed a resolution making the fourth Thursday in November as the date of Thanksgiving.

Even though the date has been shuffled around, God through the apostle Paul takes care of the date of Thanksgiving.

Ephesians 5:20, "Giving thanks "ALWAYS" for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ."

Shhhh – don't tell Washington or they will probably cancel it – because it infers that there is a God. I love you, Harry

LLOYD'S LINES "We gather together to ask the Lord's blessings" and that is exactly what we will be doing on Tuesday Evening, November 23rd, for our very special Thanksgiving Service here at Fairfield Highlands. Bro Ed has requested that our Thanksgiving service be a full service with special music and Choir along with singing the great hymn of Thanksgiving. Gloria will be singing "Bless This House." So invite others to come with you for this special service.

NOVEMBER 21st. In the evening service we will welcome Bro. Johnny Brock "the Singing Deacon" from the Glen Iris Baptist Church presenting a Mini-Concert. You will enjoy his singing and his testimony.

We are also working on special days in December. On Dec. 19th we will observe "Christmas on the Highlands." The choir will be singing their Christmas Musical "O Holy Night" in the morning service. Afterwards we will have our Church Wide Covered Dish Luncheon in the Fellowship Hall. We will not have evening service on this day. So what better place to observe "Christmas on the Highlands" than here at Fairfield Highlands Baptist Church.

In the meantime we will be looking for you for every service. And just remember, "God loves you and so do I." "SING"-cerely, Bro. Lloyd

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Ed Cruce
Pastor

Harry Sims
Educational/Evangelism Director

Lloyd Jones
Music Minister



VITAL STATS
November 14, 2010

ATTENDANCE

Sunday School	90
Mission School	46
Shut Ins	24
Total	160

REGULAR OFFERING \$6,294.00
Christmas Boxes 148.00
Memory-Myrtice Higdon 100.00

TOTAL \$6,542.00



DEACON MINISTRY
Week of November 21, 2010
Winston Massey 788-2248

SECURITY PATROL
November 21, 2010
AM – Burry Thompson
Ron Thomas
PM – Bob Key,
Guy Sellers



Donations made to Church
Ministries
Children's Home
Donation made to the
Children's Home in loving
memory of Myrtice Higdon
by her son, Tom Higdon.

