



Fairfield Highlands Baptist Church

# MESSENGER

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**Bro. Ed's Epistle** "Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin is a disgrace to any people" Proverbs 14:15

We are focusing on elections now in our nation. We are only a year away from a presidential election that will chart the course of America for decades to come. We will also be electing other national and local leaders. We will do well to remember the admonition of Scripture. Even though we have the greatest nation in the history of the world, and a system of government that is blessed by God, if we don't elect leaders who are righteous, we will fall. I urge you to pray, investigate carefully, and use godly discernment as you prepare to vote.

I am so grateful for all that God is doing in and through our church. We are having an impact on our community and our world through our prayers, ministries and financial support of missions. I look forward to worship with you this week.

### THANK YOU

Dear FHBC Family, I am so grateful to learn of the Gideon Bibles donated in the memory of my father, Bill Card. That is such a generous gift! I am so happy to know that the gift you chose of God's Word will live on even after our time on earth is ended. It is my prayer that these Bibles will bring others to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ that my Dad and my family share with you.

Thank you so much. Blessings, Lecia & Danny White & Family

Dear Church, Thank you for the opportunity to be at your service on Sunday afternoon. We look forward to seeing all of you each time. Thank you so much for the great lunch. Please thank the lunch crew in the kitchen and all that were responsible. Great job. Looking forward to sharing again with you all. Love, "His Sweet Assurance"

**HARRY'S HEARTBEAT-** You know we Baptist don't get too excited about showing our emotions in church. An applause or two occasionally, a weak amen and that's about it. A little more spirit led words of cheer might inspire the choir and the pastor as they minister to us.

Once, when a great fire broke out at midnight and people thought that all the occupants had been taken out, way up there on the fifth floor was seen a little child crying for help. Up went a ladder and soon a fireman was seen ascending to the spot. As he neared the second floor, the flames burst in fury from the windows and the multitude almost despaired of the rescue of the child. The brave fireman faltered and a comrade at the bottom cried out, "cheer" and cheer upon cheer arose from the crowd. Up the ladder he went and saved the child because they cheered him on.

Every person in a worship service is a potential cheerer. I continue to tell our 24 cheerleaders on our shut-in ministry that even though they cannot be in the heat of the battle themselves, and even though they cannot go to the harvest fields for souls, they can pray and encourage those of us who can. They are our powerhouse!

I love you, Harry

**LLOYD'S LINES** "It's the most wonderful time of the year" - and that is the way I feel as we think of this time of the year. Thanksgiving is a very special time of the year for families as they get together for celebrations and a time to reflect on God's goodness and blessings that he has bestowed on us. Then the Christmas season when we think of the birth of our Lord and Savior. So many . . . Christmas parties and celebrations. A time when the children are so excited. But even in our celebrations let's "REMEMBER THE REASON FOR THE SEASON."

Remember the activities here at Fairfield Highlands as we celebrate. On Tuesday Evening, November 22<sup>nd</sup>, we will observe our annual Thanksgiving service at 7:00 pm. Then our choir will be presenting a Christmas Musical "Mary Did You Know" sometime during the month of December. There will be lots of Christmas celebrations with class, Christmas parties during the month. And the most important thing to remember is our Annual Lottie Moon Christmas Missions Offering.

So read your Messenger newsletter each week and listen for the announcements. It's so good to be back celebrating each week with you. And just remember. . . "GOD LOVES YOU AND SO DO I." "SING-cerely," Bro. Lloyd

### HANDEL'S MESSIAH

Nov. 20<sup>th</sup> at Riverchase United Methodist Church

Don't forget Samaritans Purse, Shoebox Ministry. Deadline for money, \$15 per box, is November 21<sup>st</sup>.



### VITAL STATS

Week of November 6, 2011

#### ATTENDANCE

Sunday School	79
Mission School	22
Shut Ins	24
<b>Total</b>	<b>125</b>

Regular Offering	\$ 8,358.00
Shoe Box Ministry	321.00
K. M. Bus. Incentive	1,900.00
Sweet Assurance	208.00

**TOTAL \$10,884.20**



**DEACON MINISTRY**  
Week of November 13, 2011  
Terrell Anderson 744-1876

**SECURITY PATROL**  
November 13, 2011  
AM – Earl Robins, Buck Williams  
PM –Earl Howton,  
Winston Massey



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Check out the web site for many other options  
and things to see.

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We send our love and prayers to Jeannie and Randy Harwell and family in the death of her Dad, Hershel Minor (Big Daddy.)