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 Harry Sims, Minister of Education & Evangelism
 Lloyd Jones, Minister of Music

DEACON ON CALL
Week of Dec. 8th
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SECURITY PATROL

AM – Bob Key
PM –Ron Thomas

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Attendance December 8, 2013

Sunday School	66
Mission School	24
Shut Ins	21
TOTAL	111
Regular Offering	\$ 6365.00
Kathleen Mallory	1420.00
Total	\$ 7785.00

**Lottie Moon Christmas
 Offering Donations**

\$200.00

**in Honor of the Church Staff & Leadership
 Team by Bro. Ed and Evelyn Cruce**

\$120.00

in Memory of the Clay Roton by Jane Roton

\$120.00

**In Honor of Addie Lee and
 in Memory of Ruth Harmon & Ronald Hardy
 by the Friendship Class**

\$200.00

in Honor of The Curtis Jones SS Class

THANK YOU

Dear Church Family,

I thank God for all of you. Your support for our family over the last two years has been wonderful. Your prayers, visits, cards was such a blessing.

My prayer is for God to bless each of you and your families. There is no place like Fairfield Highlands Baptist.

I love each of you.

Margaret Hardy and Family

The family of Irene Northington is grateful to God for her life, for your friendship, and for your kindness and prayers.

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Bro. Ed's Epistle "Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift." 2Corinthians 9:15

Christmas is coming, and in most homes, children of all ages will be excited about opening gifts. Some criticize that tradition, but I think it is perfectly in line with the real meaning of Christmas. My earliest Bible memory verse was John 3:16 which declares that God loves us in such a way that He gave His one and only Son. Paul declares God's gift to be "Indescribable". So as we give gifts to each other, let it be a reminder of God's great gift to us as we celebrate His birth. In addition, may we be more committed to sharing God's gift by personal witness, prayer and sacrificial giving to advance the gospel around the world.

I thank God for you and look forward to celebrating Jesus' birth with you each time we gather for worship and fellowship.

LLOYD'S "The Joys of Christmas " What is your JOY of CHRISTMAS? I have so many joys of Christmas I don't know where to start but I will mention a few. One of my joys is being a part of the fellowship of FHBC. (There is no greater church anywhere). It was so good to have Skip Parvin with us a couple of weeks ago and he expressed his thanks for the Church and the joy of being back home. Let's continue to pray for the Parvin Family in the home going of Maxine. She will be missed. Then the JOY of working with this choir. What a blessing they are to the ministry of this church. Then to work alongside with Bro. Harry and Bro. Ed. Then to sing the great carols of Christmas and Christmas Music with the choir. By the way pray for the Choir as they present the Christmas Musical "Bethlehem Morning" next Sunday December 15th, then the great ministry of our WMU and the emphasis they put on the Lottie Moon Christmas Mission Offering. But the most and best thing at Christmas is the celebration of the birthday of JESUS our Lord and our Savior. So just remember "Jesus is the reason for the season." It is my prayer that you and yours will have a blessed and a joyous Christmas. SING-cerely, Bro. Lloyd

HARRY'S HEARTBEAT – I've never watched so much television in my life. If it makes me sick, and it does, I can only imagine how it hurts God. How patient can HE be? As I see the horrors of war and devastation, I find myself wondering what it would be like to wake up to gunfire and exploding grenades all around me. One minute comfortable in my bed, and the next I'm under attack. Never in my lifetime have we seen such Godlessness worldwide. Even in this great nation of ours it seems that God may have withdrawn His Glory and wrote Ichabod over her for a season. Could history be repeating itself? Every great nation from Israel to the present whose leaders, along with those under them, who have tried to eradicate God and His Word have fallen.

Pray, that if President Obama is not saved, God will save him. Pray that if he is saved, he will forget his own will and start to govern by God's Will. Pray the same thing for Supreme Court Judges and others involved in the other critical decisions. There is HOPE! 2nd Chro. 7:14 and Psa. 33:8-12.

I love you, Harry

P.S. If a Christmas card doesn't have Christ, Jesus or Merry Christmas on it, don't send it. Throw it away or send it back to the company. Keep Christ in your Christmas.

LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS MISSION OFFERING

Current Total \$1420.00 Goal \$3500.00

SAMARITANS PURSE FINAL TOTAL \$ 1245.00

Our love and prayers go out to...

*Kathleen Lester and family in the death of her sister in law,
 Marie Esary, (D. L. Esary)*

and

To The Family of Ruby Poole in her death.