Fairfield Highlands Baptist Church

MESSENGER



Ed Cruce, Pastor
Harry Sims, Minister of Education & Evangelism
Lloyd Jones, Minister of Music

DEACON ON CALL Week of Jan. 5th Joe Hosmer 744-8340 SECURITY PATROL AM – Amos Elam, Jimmy Gilmore PM – Bob Key

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Attendance December 29, 2013		
Sunday School		65
Shut Ins		20
TOTAL		85
Regular Offering	\$	4732.00
Memory of Jack Carter		200.00
Lottie Moon		400.00

9.00

5341.00

A donation of \$200.00 has been made to the Church in Memory of Jack Carter by Nell Carter

A donation of \$625.00 has been made to the
Lottie Moon Christmas Offering
By The Fellowship SS Class
In Honor of
Judy Brownsoll, Jean Bush,
Gwen Godfrey, Susan Godley
Vicky Haynes, Juanita Price
And Barbara Robins

A donation of \$150.00 has been made to the Alabama Children's Home by The Curtis Jones SS Class

THANK YOU

Miscellaneous

Total

Dear Church Family, We would like to express our heartfelt gratitude to you for the outpouring of love and prayerful support during the loss of our precious Mom. She so dearly loved her church and each of you were special to her. God has so richly blessed us through FHBC, "home."

We love you, The Parvin Family

Thank you so very much for the beautiful spray for my Mom, Ellene. You are such an important part of all our family's life.

Ellene Ryan Family

Church Phone Number 205-780-6621

Bro. Ed's Epistle "And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us" John 1:14

The Christmas message is the most astounding one in history. That the very creator of the universe would become flesh and live with us is beyond belief. Perfect life came to conquer death. Perfect light lived in darkness and dispelled it. Perfect righteousness came to bear terrible evil. And perfect love confronted vile hatred. Jesus is worthy of celebration during Christmas and all the time. May we be faithful to proclaim the good news of the coming of Jesus to save us.

It is a joy to serve with you. I look forward to worship with you this week.

LLOYD'S LINES —"**RETROSPECT**" — looking back over the past year of 2013 the Lord has been so good to this fellowship of believers. True, we have lost precious members who have gone on to be with the Lord yet the Lord has blessed us by answering our prayers for others. I am so proud of being with you as your worship leader. You are precious people. There is no greater church than Fairfield Highlands Baptist Church. To work with Bro. Ed and Bro. Harry is truly a blessing. And what more can I say about this Choir and the team of Eddie, Delores, Darryl, Robby and Cissy. Thanks gang for the beautiful presentation of the Christmas Music "Bethlehem Morning: on December 15th. There were so many compliments made and the Lord was honored and glorified. TO GOD BE THE GLORY.

Looking ahead – God's word says "Forgetting the past and to press forward." The year of 2014 is just ahead. So let's just look forward to see what the Lord has in store for us. Our first Mini-Concert for the year will be the third Sunday Evening, January 19th and special guest will be Teresa Cosper. She will bless you with her testimony and her beautiful voice as she sings. So with that in mind, please pray for your Church Staff for each each other be faithful and just remember... "God loves you and so do I." SING-cerely, Bro. Lloyd

HARRY'S HEARTBEAT – It is amazing how much rehab parallels life. There are many reasons for a person to participate in a rehab program. In my case, it was physical rehab to all my body to rebuild the damage done by another knee replacement. For others, rehab may be an opportunity to improve or restore occupational skills, to another recovery from substance abuse. Regardless of the reason each one has its own recovery process. Therapists have labored many hours and spent much money allowing themselves to be trained. Regardless of their skills, rehab is a painful experience. Some people will cooperate, work with therapist and overcome their problems. Then there are others who refuse their help and their problem remains.

Now, let's apply this to everyday life. Like physical rehab, there are those Christian Counselors, Pastors and others who have spent many hours and much money to be trained to give guidance and work with us to help us overcome our sin problem. Again, some people will work through their problem and by God's grace will be saved. Others will reject their opportunity for rehab and live with their problems. No Pain –No Gain. We have access to the three best

therapists 24-7. Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Love You, Harry

2014 Calendar UPDATE . . .

MINI-CONCERT January 19th – Special Guest Teresa Cosper

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT Month of January

Vickie Haynes Robert Hazel

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