



Cheyenne First Free Will Baptist Church

December Newsletter

Sunday Christmas Sermon
Series: "Wise Men"

Sunday Night Series
"It's All about Jesus"

Wednesday Night Series
"Christmas Contentment"

Christmas Program
Sunday Dec. 19th
at 6 p.m.

Christmas Program Practice
Sunday & Wednesday
Nights with a dress
rehearsal on Sat. Nov 18th

Candlelight Service
Christmas Eve
at 6:30 p.m.

2011
Online Church Calendar
is up to date with what
information and 2011 any
plans we currently have
available

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Merry Christmas



Happy holidays from our family to yours!

This Christmas Day will mark the fifth anniversary serving as your Pastor. It is amazing how fast time has gone by. During these last five years as a church family; we have seen souls saved and people baptized, we have seen people grow spiritually and take on challenging work, we have seen people sacrifice to help one another and other churches who were in need, we have seen couples join in the holy union of matrimony, we have seen the blessing of new births, and we have had to say "until we meet" again to some of our church family who have gone on home to heaven.

During these past five years it has truly been an honor, privilege, and a blessing to serve as your Pastor. This season I want to **thank you** for the love, kindness, and trust you have placed in us as well as the compassion and love you have shown toward us. **We love each of you** and look forward, Lord willing to serving with you for many years to come. From my family to yours We wish you a **very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.** -Pastor James

The Wise Men: A Christmas Message Series

Each Sunday leading up to Christmas we will take a look at these strangers from the east who visited Mary, Joseph and the baby Jesus. In scripture there is very little information on these Wise men, but in those short verses there is so much to be said to us in the 21st century. Join us each Sunday morning from now until Christmas Sunday to hear the message the Wise Men bring to us today.

- Those That Dwell In Darkness
- Delivery Room Visitors
- The "Wise Men"
- Wise Men From Everywhere

The theme of "Wise Men" will carry into our other messages during December to include Sunday Nights "Christmas Is All About Jesus" and Wednesday's "Christmas Contentment." **Please come and worship with us.**

CHRISTMAS

None of the hurry or scurry or worry was meant to invade our Christmas.

It intrudes upon our hearts, misdirects our goals, takes our eyes off the Christ.

Every year we say, "This year will be different." We feel it in our heart, but it's hard to start—no time.

But we can make the time, a quiet talk with Jesus.

The whole family, with carols sing, giving Him the gifts we bring, of thankful hearts—devoted, humble, of sacrifices given, of praise, adoration, of time spent with someone who dreads the season for a lonely reason, of cookies baked and shared with someone who thought no one cared.

Less wrapping and hurrying and worrying, more sharing and loving, to take the Christ where He wants to be—off the bureau and into our hearts.

- Mary DeHaan

Adults Memory Verse

"Ye shall walk after the LORD your God, and fear him, and keep his commandments, and obey his voice, and ye shall serve him, and cleave unto him." **Deut 13:4**

For Unto Us Is Born A Savior!

One Birth Changes The World: "His Birth"

—W. H. Fitchett

No one stops to ask for an explanation of one of the strangest facts, not only in historical literature, but in the living world: the fact that all civilized time is dated from the birth of Jesus Christ. And no one knows how it came to be done, or when, or by whom. No; one educated man out of a thousand can tell, off-hand, why all civilized calendars are reckoned from that far off birth in a little Jewish village.

Every morning all the newspapers of the civilized world—though some of them fill their columns with attacks on Jesus Christ—readjust their date to His cradle. Each new year, as it arrives, is baptized with His name. Calendars, acts of Parliament, business, politics, and literature—the very dates on our checks and letters—all are thus unconsciously adjusted to the chronology of Christ's birth.

Christian men as they dwell on this strange thing know that it is no accident. It is a sign written large on Time itself, of the empire of Him who is the Lord of Time.

How is we repeat, that not by accident, not by some conspiracy of fanatics, not by the force of any imperial edit, but by a convergence of silent, unrecognized, almost unconscious forces, all civilized time is dated from the birth of Jesus Christ?



News From The Congregation

- [Congratulations](#) to Carlos for making the Honor Roll!

- [Praying](#) for all of our athletes to do the best in their games.

- We have had some great services the last few weeks but I am hearing from people that **Satan is on the attack** again. **Pray** for our families

This was shared on Facebook by Pastor Ballard Wood: "*I can safely say, on the authority of all that is revealed in the Word of God, that any man or woman on this earth who is bored and turned off by worship is not ready for heaven.*"

Christmas Program Practice

Christmas Program practice will be each Sunday Night and Wednesday Night from now until the program.

Practice will be conducted upstairs on these evening following singing.

Preaching and prayer service will be conducted in the basement Fellowship area during this practices. It is important that your child be at practice and the play on time. Dress Rehearsal will be on Sat. Dec 18. Time to be announced

Fellowship Dinner Schedule



Dec. 5
Hundstad

Dec. 12
Warner

Dec. 19
Smith

Be sure to check on what side dish is needed

PRAYER LIST

The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much
James 5 16

Special Needs

Evan's insurance

Jack & Ann's Family

Matt Warner

Spiritual/Salvation

The Unsaved

The Backsliders

The Lazy and Drifting

Hospital/Health

Justin Grimm

Bob & Barbara Renison

Andrew Sawyer

Military

Scott Archer

Clayton Schoepflin

Derek Smith

Matt Connary

Scott Langer

Unspoken

Pauline Sawyer

Sara Mackey

Jerry Smith

Jill Warner

Tom Sawyer

Long Term Concerns

Heather Langer

Bill Winkler

Gale

Tyler & Jeremiah

Employment

Bobbie Jo

Matt Warner

Ben Warner

Political Leaders

President & Vice President

U.S. and State Representatives,

Wyoming Governor

State/Local Elected Leaders

Prayer List Updates:

- Evan with follow up appointment on Monday Dec 6.

- Matt Warner for more work hours and help with school work.

- Ben Warner for permanent job

- First Baptists Church Pastor's (Jason's) wife Trudy healing of burnt feet

WATCH AND PRAY

A HEARTFELT CHRISTMAS

In the flurry, flurry, flurry
of the Christmas hurry, hurry,
Keeping up with all the
scurry—leaving us, keeping us,
trapping us in all the worry,
worry, worry.

TV ads, we pay the tabs;
Kids' big eyes believe the lies
that this or that is the best
part of Christmas—not true!

But we still pay and pay and
pay...and set the pace for next
year, and the next.

The children watch us to see
the fuss, and fuss we do—
Stretching ourselves in all the
scurry, hurry..while the
nativity scene sits on the
bureau, silently, peacefully,
wonderfully.

All eyes, of shepherds, Mary,
Joseph, wisemen, even the
dumb ox and donkey, know to
look at Jesus, the Savior, the
Christ-child.

And the Babe looks up and
looks at us, and sees the fuss,
and our tired eyes, and
swollen feet, and sore fingers,
sticky with tape and price
tags.

Our Daily Bread
December 1991

December Cleaning Schedule

Dec. 6 - 12
Warner

Dec. 13 - 19
Smith

Dec. 20 - 26
Johnson

Dec. 27 – Jan 2
Archer



Christmas Series "Wisemen" Sermon Outlines for Parts 1 & 2

Those Who Dwelt In Darkness
Isaiah 9:2-7 Luke 2:1-20 11/26/10
Who were these people?

Who are the people who dwell in darkness?
- All Israel was dwelling in the shadow of the
Assyrian empire, facing the threat of
oppression

Isaiah spoke a word of hope and joy.
-A King is coming, who will deliver them from
oppression

Who are those who dwell in darkness?

What about people who are dwelling in
darkness:
- In service today?
- In your family?
- At your work place?

God gave us a word of hope through Isaiah
-Bringing Joy to the world
- God will redeem his people

Christmas is the fulfillment of that prophecy
-In midst of darkness God sent the light of the
world.

And today that light still comes. Ish 9:6

Delivery Room Visitors Mt 1:18-2:21 12/5/10
- Actual date of Christ's birth is a mystery
- Good for the world to be reminded each year
of the Gift God provided in His Son

Birth Announcement
-No birth announcement compares

The shepherds Luke 2:9-16
- Glory of the Lord shone about them
- Shepherds respond with haste to Luke 2:16

The wise men had come from the east.
Mt2:1-6
-Possibility Wisemen studied the Book of Daniel

- Wisemen watching but many Jewish religious
leaders were not

They had seen a star (Light in Darkness) Mt 2:2-9

They came to worship John 4:24 & Micah 5:2
- Wisemen told Herod they came to worship
the new King
- Brought gifts

Wisemen departed "another way"

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Don't Forget About the Mighty Mite Campaign



Bring in those pennies and put them to work.
If you wish to bring other change that is
welcome as well

All money raised through the Mighty Mite Campaign
goes toward the building fund

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Check us out on Facebook

"Like Us"

Why In The World Am I Here?

(Lessons and Wisdom From Solomon)

Parents please take time to talk with your teen about our lessons

I have seen all the works that are done under the sun;
and, behold, all is vanity... Ecclesiastes 1:14



"Teens remember to bring your Bible and notebooks to class for this on



Mission North America offering

We raised
\$158
in support of
North America
Missions!

Watch for some new events and
some new ways of doing things in
2011.

Remember to watch and pray!