

TODAY, DECEMBER 27

- ▶ 8:30a—Deacon's Prayer
- ▶ 8:45a —Prayer Time
- ▶ TLC Balance Due

EXTRA ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK:

- ◆ Dec. 14-29—Pastor Randy & Phyllis traveling to Brazil
- ◆ Dec. 28-31 — TLC (Teen Leadership Conference)—9:00a Departure from the church—Return Thurs. in the evening

Happy New Year

(Regular Activities are printed on the back of the bulletin)

SAVE THE DATE!

- ◆ Jan. 5 — J.O.Y. Group Potluck Luncheon 11:30a—Food Assignments: A—F—Salad; G—M = Dessert; N—Z = Main Dish—Speaker Christine Bubb from the Alzheimer's Society
- ◆ Jan. 9 — Women's Ministry Committee Meeting 9:00a in Room #N-129-A
- ◆ Jan 16 — New Members Class 9:00a—12:30p —Lunch provided
- ◆ — Emergency Procedures Class 9:00a—for anyone who has not yet attended a class
- ◆ Jan. 24 — Annual Potluck & Business Meeting with the election of church officers
- ◆ Jan. 30 — Women's Ministry "Kick-Off" Event 10a in the East Wing
- ◆ Jan. 31—Silver Sounds—Senior Saints Sing-A-Long at Kuna Baptist Church 3:00p—bring a dessert to share

REmINDER:

- HELPING HANDS MINISTRY: Needs Non-perishable food items and/or cash donations

Anyone who is on or wants to be added to the email prayer chain list please contact Elaine Sturm at shermee@outlook.com to confirm ASAP. Thanks!

Ministry Assignments:

December 27:

Greeters: Ham (F) Olson (B)
Ushers: Woody/ Lloyd/ Kelly/ Josh
Nursery:
AM: Brian & Mary Ann Rhom
SS: Amanda Bourn / Olga Kryachun
PM: Glenda Ham / Linda Morgan
Children's Church: Kara Bourn
 Linda Morgan/ Iyana Bourn
Sound Booth: Jason Mackenzie (AM) Tyler Ho (PM)
Security: Brian Rhom (AM) Luke Perrine (PM)

January 3:

Greeters: Sturm (F) Granger (B)
Ushers: Woody/ James M./ David/ Gary/ Bill W.
Nursery:
AM: Katie & Nikki Touchstone / Donna Carman
SS: Connie Postmus / Vivian Olson
PM: Judy & Megan Schimanski
Children's Church: Kara Bourn
 Linda Morgan/ Hero Fife
Sound Booth: Jonathon Knapstad (AM & PM)
Security: Bill Postmus (AM) Elaine Sturm (PM)

Meridian First Baptist Church

December 27, 2015

Pianist: Priscilla Robinson
 Song Leader: Luke Perrine

Welcome/ Announcements: Pastor Dave

Hymn #249—O Come, All Ye Faithful
 Hymn #266—That Beautiful Name
 Hymn #270—Joy to the World!

Greetings

Special Music: Jason Mackenzie

Prayer / Offering: Pastor Dave

Hymn #271—Psalm 98
 (Dismiss Children)

Message: Jim Cornell

Closing

6:00 PM

Song Leader: Kelly Shoemaker
 Special Music: Nicole Perrine
 Message: "The Servant of The LORD" Pastor Virgil Saltz
 Text: Various

Children's Ministry Program for ages 2 year old through Kindergarten



David & Christie Sommers

Missionary of the
 Month
 ABWE
 Indonesia



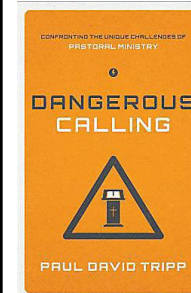
Financial Deposit Report

WEEK: December 20, 2015
 General Fund: \$8,368.00
 Special : \$1,644.50
 Deposit: \$10,012.50

General Fund Budget: \$34,772.92
 MONTH: December
 General Fund: \$29,367.82
 Special Fund: \$6,080.92
 Deposits: \$35,448.74

A Fresh Start for the NEW YEAR

Excerpts from Good Books



We encourage you to **worship** the Lord and immerse yourself in His **Word** in 2016. You may consider signing up for one of our Bible reading plans . Consider these excerpts from Dangerous Calling as Paul David discusses part of Isaiah 55:10-13. Many of us are familiar with this portion of the passage, "so shall my **word** be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty. But it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it."

"It is very encouraging that God's **Word** will not return empty...The gospel narrative is all about the larceny and restoration of true **worship**, the thing which we were given breath, the **worship** of God."

"The intended end of this content is God-honoring, life-shaping **worship**."

"When the **word** of God, faithfully taught by the people of God and empowered by the Spirit of God, falls down, people become different."

"The ultimate purpose of the **Word** of God is not theological information but heart life transformation. Biblical literacy and theological expertise are not, therefore, the end of the **Word** but a God-ordained means to an end, and the end is a radically transformed life because the **worship** at the center of that life has been reclaimed."

Worship the Lord in beginning today as you engage with the **WORD** of God.

