

Let Us Know...

Information checked below will help us to serve you and others. Please detach and place in the offering plate at the appropriate time. Thank you.

- ____Sickness in the home
- ____Pastor please call
- ____Scheduled for surgery/hospital admission
- ____Know of prospects for this church (list below)
- ____Moved to new address
- ____Provide email for church communications

____CD/DVD Request; Date of Service _____
 (CD = \$1.50; DVD = \$3.00)
 ____Wednesday Night Supper (Add/Delete name)

- Interested in...
- Teaching (Specify _____)
 - Choir
 - Baptist Women (WOM)
 - Baptist Men
 - Bible Study
 - Sunday School
 - Visitation Team
 - Serving on a committee (Specify _____)

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____

Email _____

And whatever you ask in prayer, you will receive, if you have faith." Matthew 21:22

I ask your prayers for _____

Name (if desired) _____

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP...

Children anticipate Christmas. Parents prepare for Christmas. And all of us have to wait. The season of Advent is a time to anticipate and to prepare as we wait on the celebration of God's gift to us. When I was a child, one of my sisters had a hard time waiting for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. We opened family gifts on Christmas Eve, and then had "Santa Claus' gifts" on Christmas morning. One year, my sister could not wait and she found most of our parents hiding places for our gifts. As a result, she knew what she was getting and told me what my gifts were also. That was not the most enjoyable Christmas. While our parents, indeed, had prepared for Christmas, we really had nothing to anticipate and look forward to since we already knew what our gifts were. As we begin this Advent season today, I want to encourage you to prepare room in your activities and lives this month for Jesus Christ. And I want to ask you to anticipate God's gift as though you do not know what it is. Let the hope of Christmas fill your life during this season!.

Pastor Charlie

<i>Serving Our Children</i>	<i>Today</i>	<i>Next Sunday (Dec 8)</i>
Nursery (Worship)	Wanda Conrad & Donna Mangum	Joy Barbour & Rayna Lester
Kinder Church	Liz Davis	Wanda & Pete Lang
Children's Church	Jaime Hamlett & Brittany Coombs	Tammy Duke

- D** Buildings & Grounds Contact: Pete Lang
E Deacon of the Week: Dennis Lester
C First Emergency Response Member: Greg Fisher
C Transportation Drivers: Frank Lemons and Pete Lang

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE AND BUDGET REPORT:

Sunday School Attendance 127
 Sunday Morning Worship Attendance 194
 Wednesday Night Attendance No Services

Budget needs weekly \$6,633.42
 Budget receipts last Sunday \$3,972.52

(Budget needs for 4 week month= \$ 26,533.68; Nov. month to date = \$28,411.60)

Other receipts last Sunday included: \$290 Baptist Children's Home; \$24 Tape Ministry; \$196.20 Wed Night Supper; \$170 Misc. (Poinsettias); 50 Building Fund; \$225 Men in Action; \$40 Christian Aid; \$52 Benevolence; \$2.89 Children's Church; \$15 BGR; \$150 Philippine Storm victims; \$50 Samaritans Purse – Postage; \$130 Christmas Card Express; 65.53 Senior Citizens

NC Baptist Children's Home Offering to Date: \$2,502.00

CHURCH STAFF	
CHARLIE BRYAN – Pastor	Cell Phone 704-310-1225
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BRENDA ELLIS – Pianist	Home Phone 919-575-4429
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CHURCH OFFICE	Phone 919-575-6606; Fax 919-575-6616



**“REACH,
TEACH,
PREPARE,
SEND”**

Sunday, December 1, 2013

**Eleven O'clock
Worship Service**

200 West D Street, P. O. Box 44
 Butner, North Carolina 27509
 Website: www.fbcofbutner.org
 Email: fbcofbutner@raleigh.twcbc.com

WE GATHER TOGETHER

Worship Music Brenda Ellis, Pianist
 Chime to Prepare for Worship..... 10:55 a.m.

At the sound of the chime, let talking cease and meditation begin. Before we can enter the sacred space of worship, we need to become prepared. Let these minutes offer a chance not just to hear sacred music, but to turn our attention to God.

Prelude..... LaRue Daniel, Organist

Welcome & Announcements..... Tracy Ferrell

*Fellowship Together and Worship in Song All Worshipers

“Emmanuel”

*Emmanuel, Emmanuel, His name is called Emmanuel;
 God with us, revealed in us; His name is called Emmanuel.
 Emmanuel, Emmanuel, His name is called Emmanuel;
 God with us, revealed in us; His name is called Emmanuel.*

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Opening Prayer..... Tracy Ferrell

*Hymn of Praise *“Blessed Be the God of Israel”* No. 79

(On the last verse, all children are invited to the front for the Children's Message.)

WE CELEBRATE OUR CHILDREN

Children's Message and Prayer Darry Whitlow

(Children 3-5yrs are invited to Kinder Church; Children K-6th grade are invited to Children's Church)

WE WORSHIP TOGETHER

*Offertory Hymn *“Come, O Come, Emmanuel”* No. 77
 Offertory Prayer Mary Strickland
 OffertoryLaRue Daniel, Organist
 *Doxology *“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”*

Morning Prayer.....Pastor Charlie
 Anthem *“Call Him Lord”* Adult Choir
 Scripture: Malachi 2:17 – 3:5

Message: ***God Is Faithful*** Pastor Charlie

Hymn of Invitation *“Come, All Ye Faithful”* No. 89
 *BenedictionPastor Charlie
 PostludeLaRue Daniel, Organist

*Congregation Stands

*☞Today’s sanctuary flowers have been placed by Lloyd and Mattie Goodwin
 in loving memory of her son, Jerry Grissom. ☞*

PRAYER CONCERNS: Homebound (Bobby & Rachel Stone, John Fisher, Susie Ortmann, Marvin Pring, Joe Bryant, Eloise Lewis, Linda Adams, Jean Jones); Glenda Stephenson, Alvin Gates, Clyde Strickland, Nellie Boone, Chris West, Norm Streib, Marge Miller, Betty Wheeler, Sylvia Hightower, Nancy Rogers, Alisha Triplett

OUR SYMPATHY: to Pam Daniels in the death of her father, Elree Bullock

GROW VISITING TEAM: Team 1 Leaders, Shirley Gupton & Wilma Tunstall

Look for these selections in our Church Library...

- **Adult Non-Fiction:** The Life You’ve Always Wanted by John Ortberg
- **Adult Fiction:** Home to Stay by Annie Jones
- **Youth:** Freedom Heroines
- **Children:** Rent a Third Grader by B.B. Hiller



TAKE NOTE...

- ✓ Dec 8th at 4:30pm: Memorial Angel Tree Ceremony in Butner Gazebo Park, 2 Angels per person. Call Linda Ray at home (575-6778) or work (575-4413).
- ✓ Butner Christmas Parade sponsored by South Granville Exchange Club is Dec. 7th at 2:00 pm. Call Chris Emory at 919 575-4131 for information.
- ✓ The last day to drop off your Christmas Cards is Sunday Dec 15th.
- ✓ Lottie Moon Christmas Offering (International Missions) goal is \$1,000.00.
- ✓ Pictorial Directory is in the works! Pictures will be taken Thurs-Fri, Jan 23-25 with a pre-make-up date on Mon, Dec 16. Sign up starts Wed, Dec 4.
- ✓ Making room for your new Christmas gifts? Converting Hearts will pick up your old stuff for free! Help support this important ministry with your donations.

Happening This Week

Sunday, December 1, 2013

9-9:20 a.m. **Prayer Warriors** meet in the sanctuary - if you have a prayer request, please complete the prayer section of the bulletin or a form at the Prayer Box located in the vestibule.
9:45 a.m. Sunday School classes for all ages
 5:00 p.m. Youth Disciples in Youth Room
 6:00 p.m. *Preparing for Christmas Service*

****There is Group Exercise Monday-Friday at 8am in the FLC. Everyone is invited.**

Wednesday, December 4, 2013

4:00 p.m. Keyboard Practice
 5:00 p.m. Handbell Practice
5:45 p.m. Supper (Hosted by Team 10) Menu: Chicken breast sandwiches, baked beans, potato chips, and brownies with ice cream
 6:20 p.m. Children’s Choir (choirs for 3yrs through 6th grade)
 6:30 p.m. Youth Choir (7th through 12th grade)
6:30 p.m. Prayer Time & Bible Study
 6:45 p.m. TeamKids (classes for 3yrs through 6th grade)
 7:00 p.m. Youth Bible Study (7th through 12th grade)
 7:45 p.m. Adult Choir Practice

Thursday, December 5, 2013

Seniors leave for Myrtle Beach trip, returning on Saturday, Dec 7

Friday, December 6, 2013

6:00 p.m. Children’s Christmas Party until 8pm

Saturday, December 7, 2013

2:00 p.m. Butner Christmas Parade - Children and Youth will have a float

Looking Ahead

Sunday, December 8, 2013 Second Sunday of Advent

6:00 p.m. Children and Youth Christmas Cantatas

Tuesday, December 10, 2013

9:00 a.m. Seniors 55+ trip to the Southern Supreme Fruitcake Kitchen

Thursday, December 12, 2013

10:00 a.m. XYZ Senior Group in FH - Lunch Provided

Friday, December 13, 2013

6:00 p.m. Youth Christmas Party until 9pm

Saturday, December 14, 2013

8:00 a.m. Baptist Men’s Breakfast and Missions Day
 8:30 a.m. Work at CCM Toy Distribution. See sign-up sheet.

CCM Toy Ministry Dates:

Dec. 7: 8:00am - 1:00pm – Registration day at Oxford Baptist
 Dec. 9 & 10: 9:00am - 4:00pm – Set up the Armory; Fill stockings
 Dec. 11: 9:00am - 12:00pm – Finish set up, prayer walk, early lunch.
 Toy Distribution: Dec. 11: 12:00pm - 4:30pm; Dec. 12 & 13: 9:00am - 4:30pm;
 Dec. 14: 9:00am -12:00pm. Clean up starting after lunch.

Welcome to Our Guest

First Baptist Church Butner is delighted that you have joined us for worship today! We want you to consider yourself among friends who care. So that we may know you better, please take a few moments to fill out this card and return it as directed. If you would like to receive our monthly newsletter *The Together*, please include your email address below. Again, we express an enthusiastic welcome and we encourage you to visit again soon.

Date _____

Name(s) _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

Status: ___Single ___ Married

Age Group: ___13-19 ___20-29 ___30-39

___40-49 ___50-59 ___60& up

Children:

Name _____ Age _____

Name _____ Age _____

Name _____ Age _____

Name _____ Age _____

Please check all applicable boxes:

- First time visitor
- Returning Visitor
- New to the area
- Would like a visit
- Would like to know more about us
- Would like to know more about being a Christian

I am a guest of _____

How did you hear about us?
