



# NORTH WOODS VISION

Proverbs 29:18

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DECEMBER 2014



Children's Christmas Musical - Sunday, Dec. 7th at 5:30 pm  
(Precious Jewels Presentation)

Church Christmas Fellowship Meal - Sunday, Dec. 13th at 5:30 pm  
(a celebration of our Saviors birth!)

Pastor's Open House - Saturday, Dec. 20th 2-4 pm  
(a time to fellowship with our church family)

Carols and Candles - Sunday, Dec. 21st at 5:30 pm  
(a candlelight service)

Christmas Eve Service - Wed. Dec. 24th at 5:00 pm  
(a family-friendly worship service)

# From the Pastor's Pen

Church Family,

“My Sheep Know My Voice.” ~ Jesus

Christmas time is here! On our trip to Israel Christi and I were able to visit “The Shepherd’s Field.” Now this may not have been the actual field where the shepherds heard the Good News, but even if it wasn’t it was probably laid out in a similar way.

You see, this cave had a huge opening. I would say it was over 50 feet long! Normally 3 or 4 herds would sleep in the same cave at night! This means the cave could hold almost 200 sheep!

The shepherds would work together making a stone fence in front of the cave and they would leave only a small opening to go in and out. At night a shepherd would lay his staff in front of the opening and keep watch! In the morning, each shepherd would stand outside the fence and call their sheep. Now remember, 200 sheep 3 or 4 different shepherds! Each shepherd made their call, and their sheep would come filing out of the cave and move directly towards their shepherd! Why? Because they knew his voice!

On that Christmas night, the angels came out and made their call! *Glory in the highest!* They told the shepherds the Good News! What did the shepherds do? They filed towards their Shepherd’s voice...he may have looked and sounded like a newborn, but they shepherds knew...this was the voice of the Messiah!

*Listen...can you hear Him! Merry Christmas!*

*Pastor David*

NWBC

*Lottie Moon Christmas Offering*

*Goal: \$1000.00*



The Walker Family has once again offered to hand out Christmas cards amongst our church family members.

If you would like to donate the postage savings to Lottie Moon to raise money for foreign missions, fill out an envelope and place it in the offering plate.

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS		
Blake King	12/01	
Alan Morrison	12/01	
Daniel Banes	12/02	
Melba Randolph	12/04	
Renee Christy	12/05	
Jacob Parent	12/05	
Davon Laurency	12/06	
Crista Skinner	12/08	
Paisley Faulk	12/09	
Danny Willis	12/09	
Gail Leverett	12/10	
Melody Boone	12/10	
Alisa Roop	12/12	
Steven Swearingen	12/12	
Avery Willis	12/12	
Randy Palevich	12/15	
Jackie Rogers	12/15	
Gloria May	12/17	
Rosa Torres	12/17	
Carol Morrison	12/17	
Emily Banes	12/18	
James Palevich	12/19	
Colleen Rogers	12/20	
Michael Sucacin	12/20	
Jennifer Gallien	12/21	
Gracelynn Thompson	12/21	
Margaret Uccardi	12/25	
Emily Skorupinski	12/27	
Cody Thompson	12/30	
Eric Westerman	12/31	
Luke Westerman	12/31	
Clayton Schackleford	12/31	

*Ladies  
Christmas  
Party*



The Ladies Christmas Party will be hosted by Carol Morrison and held at the home of Alan & Carol Morrison on Tues. December 16th at 7:00 pm

Sign up in the foyer to bring your favorite Christmas snack or finger food.

We will also be having an ornament exchange.

*Precious Jewels Children's Choir  
Presentation  
December 7th at 5:30 pm*

**"Fact or Fiction"**  
Come learn how God changes  
our heart through the power of  
Jesus Christ when we apply truth  
to our lives!



Carols & Candles  
December 21st at 5:30 pm

Feelings of togetherness and the excitement of singing familiar Christmas songs with friends describes this special night filled with music. This reminds us what Christmas is all about in an atmosphere of worship ending by the glow of candlelight. The doors will open at 5:00pm and the worship service will begin at 5:30pm. Bring your entire family and invite your friends to this incredible evening of worship.



**CHRISTMAS FELLOWSHIP MEAL  
December 14th - 5:30 P.M.**

Let's celebrate our Savior's Birth with a meal and fellowship with our friends and family. Bring your favorite candy or cookies along with a casserole, vegetable or salad. See you soon!

**Pastor's Christmas Open House**  
Saturday, Dec. 20th  
At the Adams' Home  
2118 Long Trail Path Ct  
Come and go between 2:00 - 4:00 pm  
*A time to fellowship with our Church Family*

***Pacesetter's Christmas Celebration  
50 & Better!***  
Join us December 13th to enjoy the ***Champions Forest Baptist Church Christmas Program***  
Program will start at 3:00 and we will have lunch beforehand. Look for details in the Welcome Area.

**OUR GIFTS TO MINISTRY**

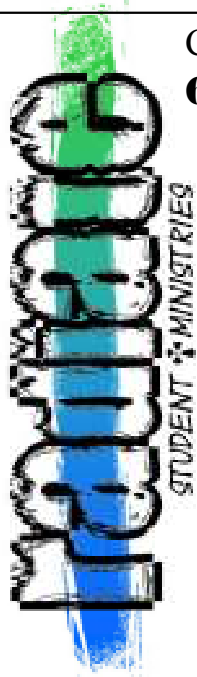
**BY OUR GIVING:**

YTD Tithes & Offerings	\$ 241,631.13
Budget	\$ 236,181.60
YTD Budget (Over/Under)	\$ 5,449.53

**BY OUR ATTENDANCE:**

Nov. Avg. in Sunday School 2014	110
Nov Avg. in Worship Service 2013	136
Nov Avg. in Worship Service 2014	126

# UPCOMING EVENTS



Come join us **Wednesday** nights from **6:30-7:30 p.m.** for a time of **Games** *Worship* and **Bible Study!**

How much do you really know about the first Christmas? Perhaps we've heard the story so many times we know it well. Or do traditions sometimes overtake the truth?

Join us as we 'Rethink Christmas' and we'll explore the Bible narrative through games and creative activities!

## SUNDAY MORNINGS:

**We're starting the next series of Explore the Bible! In this series we'll be exploring Esther, Ezra, and Nehemiah. Join us as we dive in to the Old Testament during the Jews return from exile in Babylon when Israel is trying to establish itself as a nation again.**

## Upcoming Events:

-Christmas-themed game night **Wed. Dec. 17th**

-Youth Christmas Party **Fri. Dec. 19th**

-**Spring Retreat:** Student Life

Conference **Feb. 6-8**

-**Deposit \$25 due Dec. 21st**

-**Balance \$50 due Jan. 4th**

Late price \$60 till Feb. 4th

Join us on Sunday Evenings as we B.U.I.L.D. our church family! 5:30-6:30 p.m.

## JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Rosemary Browning	01/01	Ronald Breckel	01/15
Sam Phillips	01/02	Terri Hutton	01/15
Kari Muirhead	01/04	Jackie Reid	01/17
Joy Tichenor	01/06	Nicky Sucacin	01/17
Anastasia Lindsey	01/06	Robby Payne	01/19
Bailey Madison Wolf	01/10	Reagan Shamburger	01/20
Sarah King	01/11	Mikey Pitcher	01/22
Barbara Comstock	01/11	Pattie Vandermeer	01/26
Jeremy Franks	01/13	Darleen Haws	01/29
Donald Sumberlin	01/13	Brad Wilburn	01/31
Justin Alexander	01/14		

*Please be in special prayer for .*

*President Obama and other leaders  
Our service men and women  
and their families*

*Robert & Diana Clark,  
serving in the Philippines;*

*All home and foreign missionaries  
and their families*

Home Bound Families

*Pauline Cross*

*Mildred Harrington*

*Sheila Martin*

*Herb & Bonnie Barger;  
Sharon Rowland (Carolyn Walker's sister)*

*The Martin Family*

*The Smith Family*

*The Doty Family*

*The Cross Family*

*The Tunstall Family*

*The Fussell Family*

*The Ray & Palevich Family*

*The Leverett Family*

*The Thompson Family*

*The Johnson Family*

