

OUR SERVICE

Sundays

8:45 Praise Choir Rehearsal
9:15 Bible Study for all ages
10:30 In-person Worship and
online worship through
Facebook LIVE





<u>Tuesdays</u> 6:30-8:00 Bible Study Fellowship

<u>Wednesdays</u>

10:00am-Ladies Bible Study

3:30-4:30pm-Kids' Now

4:30-5:30pm-Kids' Praise

5:30pm-Wed. Night Supper

6:30pm- Wed. groups

- Ladies' Bible study
- Men's Bible study
- Creation Class
- Youth Bible Study
- King's kids' Bible study
- Nursery available

7:30pm-Choir Practice

In case of Emergency call:
Pastor Michael- 573-575-9768
Zoe Fox-719-207-2441
Terry Smith-830-391-3362
Matt Haston- 830-216-0718

December Wednesday Activities Dec. 4th Dec. 11th Winter Break

Business MTG. Dec 18th

Starting Back Jan. 15th, 2025

Office

December 24th-26th Wednesday - Friday

No Wednesday activities 12/25

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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH FLORESVILLE, TX

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Thoughts from Pastor Michael

Dear Church Family,

I am looking forward to this Christmas season with all of you! We will have the Christmas musical, Christmas Eve service, Christmas fellowships, and the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering to name a few. There are so many opportunities to worship the Lord and serve Him during this season! May our hearts be constantly open to Him. As we celebrate the Lord's first coming to the earth, may we also be looking for His second coming.

2 Thessalonians 1.6-10 says, "since it is a righteous thing with God to repay with tribulation those who trouble you, 7 and to give you who are troubled rest with us when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with His mighty angels, 8 in flaming fire taking vengeance on those who do not know God, and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. 9 These shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His power, 10 when He comes, in that Day, to be glorified in His saints and to be admired among all those who believe, because our testimony among you was believed"

The verses above show us how important His coming is. Just imagine standing with Jesus in His blazing glory and radiating His glory to others. Imagine the peace and the joy that will be ours. Christians are the "whipping boys" in our society but not on the day when He comes back. Think of the worship we will enjoy as we marvel at Him.

Joseph Stowell, president of Moody Bible Institute, was visiting a home for mentally challenged children. He noticed some hand prints covering a window, and he mentioned what he saw to his friend who ran the home. The friend replied, "Oh, those. The children here love Jesus, and they are so eager for Him to return that they lean against the windows as they look up to the sky."

May we have that same longing in our hearts today! Grateful to be your Pastor,

Michael Funderburk

If anyone would like to keep up with Dalton Cruz who has moved away from Floresville and beginning his own ministry, you can contact him through this gmail address: sparenotministries@gmail.com

Neekly Announcements

If you would like to receive emailed weekly announcements, church-wide prayer list, Fun Family Friday, and monthly Newsletter please call the office at 830-216-4946 or email zoe@fbcforg

Or Scan this QR Code to select emails you'd like to receive



The Flower Calendar is on the wall at the Coffee/Tea station Feel free to choose a date if you would like to provide flowers for the Altar. Thank you! Call Jeannie McCarville (520) 251-1623 If you'd like to donate

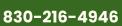
Poinsettias please sign up on the flower calendar!

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Merry Christmas! It's December! I don't think I need to go into much detail about the reasons many of us love the month of December. Do I? Nagaa...I'm pretty certain your reasons are pretty much my reasons. I will mention, however, that one of the most wonderful things about December is being able to be with immediate family and my siblings and their families. I do hope there will be some opportunity for all of us to get together this year for Christmas. It seems as we are all getting older, it seems to be more difficult to have all of the Smiths together during Christmas or any other holiday celebration.

Of course, the main reason we love December is to celebrate our Lord and Savior who came to Earth, beginning as the Christ Child. The Christ Child then grew up in Nazareth, as a son of a carpenter. Why did the Son of God live just an ordinary life with ordinary, blue-collar parents? We are talking about the King of Kings, Lord of Lords! He should have lived with the wealthiest family in all of Israel. He didn't. Jesus should've had servants to tend to His ever need. He didn't. Why didn't Jesus receive the royal treatment? I personally believe that God wanted humanity to know that He loves us so much. God wants mankind to know that all levels of society are important to Him. God loves the rich, the middle class and the outcasts! God allowed His one and only Son to come to earth to bring us back to God. (Read on)

Then, the most horrifying, but most loving, event in all of history took place. Jesus was crucified on a cross for the remission of your and my sins. God had sent His one and only Son to Earth to live, so that he could die in just a little over 30 years in order to be a sacrifice for our sins. Because we are forgiven, we then have the blessing of being right with God. The curse of sin is broken as we experience Redemption. We then can have fellowship with God the Father and be able to live out our lives for Him. Without the blood of Jesus, we remain separated from God. God made a way for us to be brought back to Him, and that was through His Son, Jesus Christ.

What a precious Christmas gift to receive this year or to give to someone else. Have you ever thought of sharing the gospel with someone else, whether it be a neighbor, coworker or family member? Why don't we all think about giving someone that special gift of hearing the gospel this year. That is the best gift Christmas gift we could ever give someone. Of course, we don't have to wait till Christmas morning to offer that gift. Of course, that special someone needs to be willing to receive this amazing gift of eternal life. Scripture says, "Today is the day for salvation." (2 Corinthians 6:2)

Thank You - Dear FBC Floresville Sandra and I want to thank you for the very generous love offering you gave us during Ministers' Appreciation Month. We appreciate all of you so much! We are so blessed and honored to be part of this amazing church family!

Pastor Terry Smith

"Mary Did You Know?"

Christmas Program Dates:

SUNDAY, DEC. 8TH FBC FLORESVILLE at 6:00 pm

(A Christmas cookie fellowship will be after the concert)

Bring your favorite cookies with enough to SHARE to the Cookie Fellowship to Folow

SUNDAY, DEC. 15TH FBC PLEASANTON at 6:00 pm (A Christmas cookie fellowship will be after the concert)

SINGING MEN OF TEXAS SOUTH CONCERT SCHEDULE

Jan. 16, 2025: Primera Iglesia Bautista Mexican San Antonio Feb. 20, 2025: First Baptist Church, Universal City

Mar. 20, 2025: Coastal Oaks Baptist Church, Rockport

May 15, 2025: Trinity Baptist Church, Kerrville

Aug. 14-15, 2025: Combined 50th Anniv. Riverbend Baptist Church, Austin, Texas

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SINGING MEN

CEMBER 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Deacon Al Riley	2 Lottie Moon - We	Guest Services Meeting- 2pm ek of Prayer BSF 6:30pm-8pm	10 am Ladies' Bible Study 3:30-5:30 Kids' NOW/Praise 5:30pm WNS Elizabeth Coats 6:30pm Bible Studies 7:30pm - Choir	5 10:30 Monthly prayer	6	Men's Prayer BK 8-9:30am Poth Market 9am-2pm Women's fellowship 3pm-5pm
Deacon Meeting 8 Christmas Musical Floresville 6:00pm Cookie Fellowship to follow Deacon Thomas Welfel	9	Fun Bunch 10:30 Olive Garden San Antonio, Tx SEARCH COMM. MEETING 7-8:30 BSF 6:30pm-8pm	10 am Ladies' Bible Study 3:30-5:30 Kids' NOW/Praise 5:30pm WNS The Wrights 6:30pm Bible Studies 7:30pm - Choir	12	13	14 Kids cookie Party 1 pm-3pm
Christmas Musical Pleasanton 6:00pm Cookie Fellowship to follow Deacon Bob Whitley	16	17	5:30pm NO WNS Business MTG 6:30pm	19	20	21
22 Deacon Ron Wright	23	24 Crristmas Eve Candlelight Service 5:30pm Office Closed	No Activities! 25 Whistmas Office Closed	26	27	28
29 Deacon Skip Glenn	30	31				

Sundays 8:45am - Praise Choir Rehearsal

9:15am -Bible Study for all

10:30am -In-person Worship and online worship through Facebook LIVE

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Weekly Activities

Creative Hands Quilting Mondays at 10:00 am

<u>Tuesdays</u> 6:30-8pm BSF

Wednesdays

Dec 4th & 11th

Returning January 15th

4:30-5:30 Kids' Praise

5:30pm Wednesday

- - **Creation Class**
- King's kids' Bible study

-- Line Exercise Classes - <u>NO Class 12.23.24-1.1 .25</u>

Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri - from 9:30-10:30 am

--Cardio & Strength Classes

Mon, Tues. Wed. & Thurs. from 4:30-5:15 pm

Walking- <u>NO Class 12.23.24-1.1 .25</u> Mon. Tues. Thurs. & Fri. 9:00-9:30 am

Break-Dec. 17th-31st

Winter Break 12/18-1/14

10:00 Ladies' Bible Study

3:30-4:30 Kids' NOW

night suppers 6:30pm Bible Studies

- Ladies' Bible study
- Men's Bible study
- Youth Bible Study
- Nursery available
- 7:30pm Choir

December Birthdays

- 1 Aaron Garcia
- 3 Nathaniel Yeager 15 Layton Bland
- 2 Rob Coleman
- 4 Lauren Moore
- 4 Stacey O'Leary
- 4 Preston Taggs
- 5 Jerry Kotzur
- 5 Randy Richards
- 5 Doug Watson
- 3 Elliana Woods
- 7 Laura Hamblen
- 8 Ross Koenig

9 Sara Ham

- 9 Braelyn Burns

- 9 Suzanne Reily
- 9 Samuel Yeager
- 11 Clay Respondek
- 13 Dahlia Sellers

- 14 Norma Idrach
- 15 Marty Choate
- 15 Cole Harris
- 15 Chad Rex Reed
- 17 Karen Sada
- 18 Melba Dunn
- 19 Gearis Herndon 29 Vira Wright
- 19 Deana Smith
- 19 Peggy Tipton
- 20 Lyla Smith
- 21 Timothy Davis
- 21 Chuck Garza
- 21 Craig Wilder
- 22 Cathy Kotzur
- 22 Shine Trabucco
- 23 Sheila Brieden
- 23 Evie Carter

- 23 Michael Villarreal
- 24 Carlos Garza
- 24 Judy Murray
- 25 Buddy Smith
- 28 Ron Fischer 28 Ron Tipton
- 29 Robert Calmes

- 30 Bob Bagley
- 30 Judy Whitley
- 30 Cody Bland
- 31 Pamela Dempsey
- - 1 Dayna Deaton
 - 2 Debra Yeager
 - 3 Luke Keith

New Members
Laura Hamblen
Caleb VVoods









BUS LEAVES AT 10:30 A.M.

DECEMBER 10TH

Olive Garden, Brook City Base, San Antonio, Tx

With Our Deepest Sympa

we pray for the families ⁽¹⁾ who have lost loved ones.

Jeff Lanning- 9/16/49- 11/25/24

Arnold Cedillo- 11/22/55- 11/6/24

Robert Esensee- 11/28/46-11/22/24

Richards Matthew Watts- 6/11/90-11/16/24

William "Bill" Price- 1/4/51- 11/1/24

First Baptist Church Floresville December 8th 6:00pm Cookie Fellowship to follow

First Baptist Church Pleasanton

December 15th 6:00pm

Cookie Fellowship to follow

Mary Did You Know?

Joint Floresville & Pleasanton
MUSICAL FOR CHRISTMAS



Bring your favorite cookies with enough to SHARE to the Cookie Fellowship to Follow

A word from the Deacons

As we go to families for the holidays, enjoy your time together. Have safe travels to and from. I am thankful for my family and Thankful for First Baptist Church Family.

Moment to Refresh: Psalm 119:18, "Open my eyes, that I may see Wondrous Things from Your law. "That is an awesome start in a prayer OPEN MY EYES, we need that for all too often we get tunnel vision where we miss what God has for us. Somethings we need to focus on to see the wondrous things from the law. God has a purpose for each one of us if we just opened our eyes, our hearts up to Him. What beauty we would see if we read His words to be able to learn His will, to share with others. Let's take the time to open our eyes to see where God has you see.

Al Riley Jr.

Current active deacons are:

Ron Bluff 210-844-8819 Chris Coats 210-215-0719 Bob Etheridge 254-717-7918 Lindy "Skip" Glenn 210-420-4358 Bob Herndon 830-534-7699 John Long 830-534-7427 Bill Munk 512-517-3976 Randy Richards 830-391-5641 Al Riley, Jr. 281-787-5730 Thomas Welfel 361-813-9643 Bob Whitley 210-416-0471 Ron Wright 361-774-4521



In this very difficult time, after losing my brother, Bill Price, I have been blessed by the cards and letters I have received. Thank you so much for thinking of me in this time.

Much Love, Beth Price

Please Pray

for the

Pastor of Family Ministries Search Committee

Committee Members

John Trabucco Christie Davis Lindy "Skip" Glenn Tiffany Gonzalez

Mary Zarosky Matt Haston, Alt Rebekah Street, Alt



honoring

CRAIG DAVIS & MAGGIE CROCKETT

Saturday, December 7th 11am in the FLC

Gift registries at Amazon and Walmart.

Melcome

ext Generation-Kids and Youth

Action Required!

Let the Church Office-830-216-4946

& North or South Elem BOTH

know if you want your child to ride the FBCF bus Wednesdays- for Kids' NOW at the Church.



Wednesdays @ FBCF

- Kids NOW after school Contact Bonnie Dickerson (713) 446-7661 for more information.
- Kids Praise 4:45 pm Contact Sheila Brieden (361) 701-2906 for more information.
- **King's Kids** 6:30 pm 7:30 pm Contact Sierra Glenn - (830) 312-1312 to volunteer to serve Wednesday once a month.



VOLUNTEER **OPPORTUNITIES**

SUNDAY MORNINGS

- 9:15 am 10:25 am Middle Preschool (2s-3s) Bible Study Leader
- · 9:15 am 10:25 am Older Preschool (4s-Kinder) Bible Study Leader
- 10:25 am 11:45 am Preschool Next Hour Care
- · 9:15 am 11:45 am Babies/Toddlers Bible Study Leader
- Reliable and Prescreen Substitutes for all ages

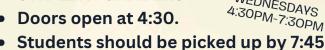
Want More Information?

Contact Christie Davis in the church office, text 210-861-1292, or email christie@fbcf.org. All volunteers must be willing to undergo a criminal background check.



6TH-12TH GRADERS

Doors open at 4:30.



- Dinner @ 5:30 \$5 per person
- Bus will pick up from FMS & FHS
- Volunteers wanted! See Denise Trabucco



December 11th during Youth Group

Ginderbread Decorating Contest



STAY CONNECTED -

YOUTH

WEDNESDAYS

Youth information



Please join REMIND for more information.

Text @fbcfst to 81010

VERY IMPORTANT MEETING!



December Preschool Volunteers

	YOUNGER PRESCHOOL - 8:45 am - Noon	MIDDLE PRESCHOOL - 10:20 am - Noon		
December 1st	Rose Losoya & Taelyr Coleman	Denise Trabucco & Julia Trubucco		
December 8th	Elizabeth Coats & Norma Reyes	Zoe' Fox & Sallie Bluff		
December 15th	Sally Gaertner & April Garcia	??? & ???		
December 22nd	Tiffany Gonzalez & ????	Pam Dempsey & Celeste Savage		
December 29th	??? & ???	FAMILY WORSHIP		



If Giving For this online use Fund 9503

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South TX Pregnancy Center Baby Bottle campaign Total raised \$1,504.94



Missions



DO YOU LOVE CAROLING?

Poth Market Dec 7th 9-2 Caroling at 12:00!

FBCF will have a booth at The Poth Market! Scan here to learn more!



RSVP soon to let us know if you will be joining us for caroling at The Market in Poth with the Hall Family!

Call 830-216-4946 or email Zoe@fbcf.org or Jessica@fbcf.org





Our 2nd Annual Youth Friendsgiving was a huge success! Our youth were able to provide **Thanksgiving** meals for 27 families! Thank you for supporting our youth and our community!

Angel Tree Choose a red angel from the tree in the church foyer for a boy or girl! 1. You don't have to buy everything on their list. Pick a few items that would make a nice gift. 2. Wrap the gifts and return them to the church by DECEMBER 15th. 3. Please attach the angel to the gift

PARTIE

Deacons & Staff Christmas Party



6:30PM

HIS Class Party December 7th, 5pm-8pm

so we know who it belongs to!

Saturday

Helping Hands Party

TITUS 2 PARTY

Friday December 13th Pam Dempsey's home

12 Noon

December 14th

Van Dieren Home 3:00pm

RAGAMUFFINS PARTY



DECEMBER 14TH FAMILY LIFE CENTER 5:30-8:00

Youth Christmas Party

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 11TH DURING YOUTH GROUP IN FLC Gingerbread decorating contest



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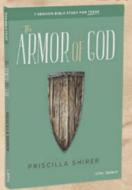




December 2024 Meals **DECEMBER 4TH - ELIZABETH COATS DECEMBER 11TH - WRIGHTS** Chicken & Rice WNS STARTS BACK JANUARY 15TH! MEALS INCLUDE: • \$5.00-Adult ENTREE SIDE \$5.00-Children DESSERT \$15.00-Family

Wednesday Nights Winter Break after Dec. 11th
Starts back January 15th

Ladies' Bible Study



at 6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall



Men's Bible Study!

Wednesdays @ 6:30 in the Green Room

YOUTH WELCOME!

WEDNESDAYS 4:30PM-7:30PM

- Doors open at 4:30.
- Students should be picked up by 8.
- Dinner @ 5:30 \$5 per person
- Bus will pick up from FMS & FHS
- Volunteers wanted! See Denise Trabucco
- Please join REMIND for more information.
- Text @fbcfst to 81010

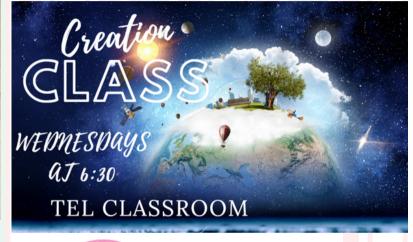
in God's Playhouse

Kids Now 3:30 - 4:45 Kids Praise 4:45 - 5:30

Dinner 5:30 - 6:30Kids \$4/Adults \$5.

Kids Bible Study King's Kids' 6:30 -7:30

Pre-school Bible Study 6:30-7:30





NURSERY **AVAILABLE** Wednesday 6:30-7:30 Newborn-PreK

FOUR FRIENDS OF JESUS!

Adult with Special Needs Ministry

For Information: Contact Tiffany Gonzalez 630-605-0854

Volunteer Enrollment Once you've completed the volunteer form, please leave it at the Guest Services desk in the "Four Friends of Jesus folder"



Ministry

Dec. 4th

Dec 18th





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ladies' Time



LADIES' FELLOWSHIP!

"You Are Highly Favored"

Light Refreshments! Hear Robin Speak!

Make a Christmas Cardl

DEC 7TH 3:00-5:00 FELLOWSHIP HALL

New Life Ministry

Contact-Jewel Gleeson 830-391-3595



MENS' TIME



LADIES' BIBLE STUDY

WEDNESDAY MORNINGS 10:00 DECEMBER 4TH & 11TH

> Mary-Ellen Long will lead our ladies through a study of 1st & 2nd Peter. There isn't a book to purchase for this study. She'll use the Bible!

ANNEX KITCHEN

WWW.FBCF.ORG

Attention







Ladies!



Belle Stringer for details!



FOCUS: PRAYER FOR OUR NATION, FAMILIES, AND CHURCHES

WHEN: 2ND SATURDAY AT 9AM WHERE: HELTON PARK

FOR WHERE TWO OR THREE ARE GATHERED TOGETHER IN MY NAME, I AM THERE IN THE MIDST OF THEM. MATTHEW 18:20





- . BRING THE FAMILY
- . BRING A CHAIR OR BLANKET
- BRING WATER

MEETINGS



Guest Services Ministry Meeting December 3rd 2:00 pm



SUNDAY **DECEMBER 8TH** AFTER SERVICE





BUSINESS MEETING

Wednesday Dec. 18th 6:30 in the Sanctuary

PASTOR SEARCH COMMITTEE

12/10/2024 7-8:30PM **ANNEX KITCHEN**

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coming soon















Prayer Time

Monthly Time Of Prayer

FIRST THURSDAY
EVERY MONTH
EVERYONE
IS INVITED!

December 5th

Join us at 10:30 am in the Annex Kitchen



Prayer Warriors JEEDED!



If you would like to receive a copy of the weekly Prayer list or add a prayer request to the list - Please just call the Church office at (830)216-4946

PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH

Intercessory Prayer Group

We need additional prayer warriors for Sunday's intercessory prayer group. We Pray during the service, for the service. It is on a rotating basis, 2 men, 2 women, or a married couple per Sunday.



Kitchen Drifts

During the special season of Christmas, we are reminded of the coming of the Gift God gave through the birth of Jesus Christ his only son. As we receive this gift we are encouraged to return it in acts of love and service to others. We have many wonderful volunteers in our church. One such group are the people who make our Wednesday night suppers happen. May God Bless you all and may we remember the Reason for The Season

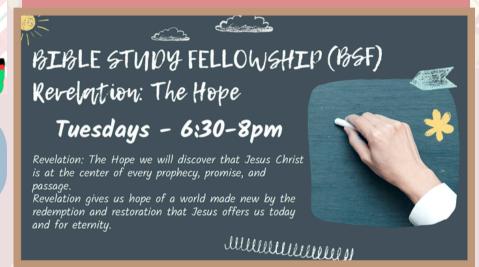
Kitchen Manager-⁽

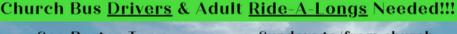


210-417-6222

BSF NOTES:

No Classes December 17th-31st





<u>See</u> Pastor Terry, John Long, or Call the Office- (830) 216-4946 Sundays to/from church & Wednesdays Kids' Now/Youth 2:30-4:45



TO CONTINUE THE IMPORTANT
BUS MINISTRY TO THE
CHILDREN AND ELDERLY

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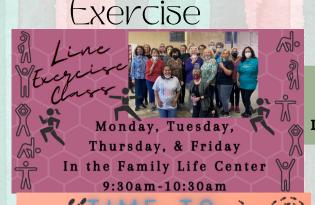












Holiday times No Class Dec. 23rd -Jan. 1st

WANT AN AIR-CONDITIONED WAY

Holiday times No Class Dec. 23rd -Jan. 1st

COME WALK LAPS WITH FRIENDS! MONDAYS.TUESDAYS.THURSDAYS. & FRIDAYS IN THE FAMILY LIFE CENTER 9:00-9:30AM Cardio &

4:30PM-5:15PM TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY&

THURSDAY Text Linda at 210-632-6018

Holiday times

No Class Dec. 24th -25th **Building and Grounds**

See something that needs attention (broken/dangerous) on church campus?

SCAN THE QR CODE TO NOTIFY

THE BUILDINGS & GROUNDS COMMITTEE!

In case of non-medical Emergency contact Matt Haston 830-216-0718





Building and Grounds Committee Chairman - Matt Haston - 830 - 216 - 0718 Vice Chairman-Ron Wright-361-774-4521

You can still join a team to help with maintaininq our cămpus appearance!' ex: mowinq,

weed-eating, and edging as your schedule allows. PLEASE CONTACT RON VVRIGHT @ 361-774-4521 IF YOU ARE ABLE TO HELP.

Business Meeting Notes Avaliable in the Church Office

Thank You for Giving

For More Information

TEXT "Fbcf1234" to the number 73256 Online Giving or to look at your account:

Give ONLINE at www.fbcf.org Scan the QR code to just give!



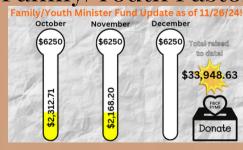
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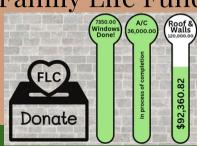


Yearly Year to Date Giving Received as of November 26stl

Family/Youth Pastor



Family Life Fund



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