| first baptist church of<br>Saks | $\mathcal{D}$ | ecember Announcements 2024  | Volume 31<br>Issue 12 |  |             |
|---------------------------------|---------------|---|-----------------------|--|-------------|
|                                 | December      | r 1 First Sunday Outreach 4:00 PM<br>r 6 GJ's Christmas Banquet 5:00 PM CLC<br>r 8 <u>"Behold Him"</u> Christmas Night of Worship   |                       | The Monthly Newsletter of First Baptist Church of Saks |             |
|                                 |               | 6:00 PM Cookies & Cocoa<br>6:30 PM Worship Service<br>r 11 Last Night of <u>ARK Kids</u> for the year.<br>Return on January 8<br>r 22 Candlelight Lord's Supper 5:00 PM   |                       | Behold Him   |             |
|                                 |               | Fellowship & Refreshments following in CLC<br>r 24-25 Church Office Closed<br>r 25 Merry Christmas! No Wednesday Services<br>1 Happy New Year! No Wednesday Services<br>Church Office Closed  |                       | A CHRISTMAS NIGHT OF WORSHIP                           |             |
| Mer<br>Christ                   | ry Commas     | Security and Lock-up ScheduleSunday - December 1 & Wednesday, December 4Larry Knighton, Dennis BurgessSunday - December 8 & Wednesday, December 11Mike Howard, Glenn Montgomery, Brian GutharySunday - December 15 & Wednesday, December 18Roy Houston, Randy Huckaby, Frank CrowSunday - December 22Shannon Page, Dennis Pontero, Brock ReavesSunday - December 29Doug Crow, Wesley Blackmon, Jeremy Pontero |                       | <image/> <image/> <image/>                             | a<br>n<br>e |
|                                 |               | Deacons of the Week<br>December 1: Bo Batey, Jack Brim<br>December 8: Terry McNeal, Joey Oliver<br>December 15: Joe Lathers, Bobby Roach<br>December 22: Frank Crow, Lynn Martin<br>December 29: Alan Third, Randy Whorton  | HAPPY<br>New Year     | REACHING THE NATIONS,<br>TOGETHER<br>LOTTIE MOON       |             |
| Joey Hanner<br>Gary Wright,     |               | CHURCH STAFF<br>Sabrina Jones, Ministry Assistant<br>orship & Discipleship Glen Newman, Building & Maintenan  | се                    | hristmas   | 6           |
| Randy White<br>Vicki Ponter     |               |   | ry Coordinator        | OFFERING   |             |

Sheena Sawyer, Financial Secretary

Church goal - **\$4,000** Collection dates - December 1 thru 31



#### Joey Hanner A note from the pastor .....

#### JESUS IS THE REASON FOR THE SEASON

As I pass through the neighborhoods in November I have noticed that many have already began to decorate for Christmas. Lights are up, trees are up in the window and there seems to be an excitement for the celebration of Christmas to begin. I have some very fond memories of waking up early and finding a room full of presents when I was growing up. I think each of us have an inner child and when this time of year comes around we are excited about gathering and getting, whether it is a gathering with family and a getting of those Christmas hugs.

I pray that our excitement of Christmas is **Jesus** and when we wake up we find a room full of Blessings that could have only come from God Himself. The Reason for the Season is **Jesus**, which means that all our Blessings were heaven sent. So enjoy your Christmas season this year, Love your Family, reflect on those who have gone before us and are in the hands of **Jesus**, for those memories are still a blessed gift given just for you.

"Then the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which will be to all people. For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, who is **Christ the Lord**. **Luke 2:10-11** 

#### Pastor Joey



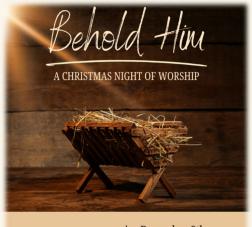
## Message from Gary Wright Pastor of Worship and Discipleship



Choir Practice: Wednesdays 7:00 PM in the Sanctuary

Please make plans to join us Sunday night, **December 8th**, for our Christmas Night of Worship as we celebrate the birth of our Savior through music and praise. Throughout the Advent season, we'll be singing new worship songs from this special night, and we'll be singing many of our traditional Christmas hymns, focusing our hearts on the hope, peace, joy, and love that Christ brings. Let this season be a time of reflection and anticipation as we prepare our hearts to celebrate the greatest gift of all—Jesus Christ.

Gary Wright



First Baptist Church of SAKS December 8th Cookies & Coco @ 6:00 pm Worship Service @ 6:30 pr

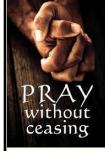
Monthly **November** 3 24 17 10 182 175 174 185 Worship 137 132 134 Sunday 124 School

### **Student Ministry**

fbcsaks.students@gmail.com

Sunday Morning 9:00 AM ~ CLC Wednesday 6:00 PM - 7:15 PM Meet in CLC

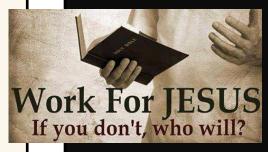
### 24 Hours of Prayer



"Pray without Ceasing" Sign-up sheet in the foyer for you to choose your time slot For December

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18, which says, "Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you".

### **Volunteers Mark Your Calendars**



Baptist Service Center Work Days January 6,7 & 9

## **Prayer Room**

A Prayer Room is an opportunity to draw aside, take time out and meet with God. It is where people can go to pray and talk to God, to intercede and petition.

The Bible says: *"When you call me and come and pray to me, I will listen to you."* Jeremiah 29:12

Everyone is invited to come and utilize the Prayer Room here at FBC Saks. It is open during office hours and all church services.



## Thank you for your generous giving to Operation Christmas Child.

# \$1,133

# Weekend Snacks for Saks Elementary

We are now collecting snacks for students Items needed:

Small cups of: apple sauce, fruit, jello, pudding, cereal, ramen noodles, pringles, oatmeal Small bags of: goldfish, chips, gummies, pretzels Cereal boxes Vienna Sausages

Monetary donations also accepted to buy extra items. Mark envelopes "Snacks for Saks".

