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Adult Class Schedule

Sunday 9:30am

Dec. 25: No classes

Jan. 01: No classes

Wednesday 6:30pm

Dec. 28: No classes

Meadowbrook Leadership

Elders:

- Phil Lucas
- David Read
- Jeff Richardson
- Ton Rietvelt
- Jesse Simpson
- Larry Stowe (December Pastoral Elder)
- Larry Whiting

Staff:

- Amanda Box, Connections Minister
- Ben Fike, Senior Minister
- Laura Fike, Children's Minister
- Belinda Melson, Administrative Assistant
- Judy Seabrook, Finance Manager
- Marshall Wade, Youth Minister

Stats - December 18, 2016

Attendance: 174 ▪ Weekly Budget: \$12,580 ▪ Contribution: \$23,398

Assembly (10:30am, Auditorium)

Sermon Series: "Let There be Light"

Dec. 25: "The Light Shines in the Darkness"

Small Groups: SG's will resume in January.

Wednesday Night Supper— No meal on

Dec. 28.

Calendar Events:

December 2016

25...Merry Christmas! 10:30a worship service (no classes)

January 2017

01...Happy New Year! 10:30a worship service (no classes)

08...Commercial Sunday, FC-fh, 9:30a
.....Children's ministry spring semester begins 9:30a Ed. Building

.....New Life Sunday 10:30a Aud.

11...Women's Circle 10:30a @ R Long's

13-15...(MYG) Winterfest - Arlington, TX

22...New member breakfast

29...5th Sunday Fellowship

31...Women's Book Club 6:30p

MEADOWBROOK CHURCH OF CHRIST



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December 25, 2016

The Joy of Christmas Morning!

The Savior is Born

- #221- *Jesus, Name Above All Names* Blaine Totty
- #52- *I Exalt Thee*
- #232- *Worthy, You Are Worthy*
- Welcome & Announcements Amanda Box

Joy to the World

- Away in a Manger* Meadowbrook Children
- #1018- *Joy to the World*
- Isaiah 52:7-10 Gracie Kerr
- Hebrews 1:1-4 Ella Harrell
- John 1:1-14 Isabelle Box
- "The Light Shines in the Darkness" Ben Fike
- #387 *Tell Me the Story of Jesus*

Around His Table

- Beautiful Lamb*
- The Body of Christ Rob Whitley
- His Cup of Salvation
- #768- *Jesus, Let Us Come to Know You*

He Rules the World

- Offering Stephen Henderson
- #1018- *Joy to the World*
- Benediction David Read



Prayer Concerns

Ruby Karnes, Charletta Dill and Teresa Karnes's mother, rehab at Methodist.

Carol Stowe, Larry Stowe's sister-in-law, received a good report from her cardiologist and will be treated with medication.

Congregational News

Lighting the Way in Baton Rouge: The Meadowbrook team that delivered the gifts and gift cards to Baton Rouge last Saturday learned a great deal more about the lives of those recovering from the floods and report that the families were simply blown away by your unexpected generosity. One family reported that, thanks to our gifts, they could now replace their kitchen appliances and carpet. Many of these families have special-needs children who require constant treatment and incur high medical bills. One of the moms shared that she was unable to work after the flood and had totaled her car. Kate, one of the teachers that helped us coordinate this project, teaches kindergarten. After the floods, their class had to be moved to a middle school, and they just learned they would have to remain there for another year. These are just a few stories of how lives are still being affected. So, thank you once again for showing Christ's light to our neighbors in Baton Rouge. We delivered over \$23,000 in gifts and gift cards in addition to the \$10,000 that was donated in the fall immediately after the floods.

Welcome! Rosemary Seago, who has attended Meadowbrook for many years, placed membership on Sunday, December 18. Please extend a warm welcome to Rosemary when you see her. Rosemary and husband Don have four grown sons: Paul, Lee, David, and Andrew. Her address and phone number are 2133 Brackenshire Cr., Jackson, MS 39211; (601) 951-7000.

End-of-Year Contributions If you donated a non-monetary item to the church in 2016 and did not receive a letter acknowledging that donation, please call the church office. Also, checks received after December 31 will not be included in calendar year 2016 charitable contribution statements unless the check is mailed and postmarked December 31 or before. Charitable contribution statements will be mailed out on or before January 31, 2017.

The **Winter Quarter of our Adult Spiritual Growth classes** (ASG) is just around the corner! During the 9:30am class time on Jan. 8, we will have our Commercial Sunday to preview our Sunday and Wednesday class options for the quarter, as well as some other events coming up this winter.

Notice: After several months of thought and observation, it has been decided that printing the monthly birthday/anniversary/events/volunteers calendar is no longer needed. Birthdays and anniversaries can still be found each month on the Meadowbrook website underneath resources; events will be publicized in *Windows* and through emails from Meadowbrook's Communications Minister, Amanda Box; and volunteers will continue to be contacted via their respective ministry team leader. If you have any questions, please contact Belinda Melson.



Thank you! to all of our children and families who contributed to this year's Let There be Light Christmas Project! We collected over \$23,000 worth of gifts and gift cards for families affected by the severe flooding in August, in addition to the \$10,000 that we sent with our disaster relief teams earlier this year. Please continue to keep these families in your prayers.

Thank you!!! to all of our 2016 Children's Ministry volunteers for working so hard to help our children grow in the way of Christ! We have watched you partner with parents and grandparents to form faith in this next generation. We have seen God's light shine through you. Thank you!

Our **2017 Children's Ministry volunteers** will begin their work on January 8. *Please contact Laura Fike if you are interested in being a part of this team!*

Our nursery is unstaffed today to allow our volunteers to join their families in worship. Nursery rooms and resources are located in the Education Building and are open and available to those who need them. Please text Laura (325.725.8853) if you need assistance. Our nursery staff will again be ready to receive children 2 and younger on Sunday, January 8.

KFC will resume during the worship hour on **January 8** for children 3 years - 2nd grade.

New Life Sunday is January 8. Parents with babies born in 2016 should check their email or contact Laura Fike for more details.



SNL: There will be no SNL this week. SNL will resume on Jan. 8.

Winterfest Participants: A schedule and packing list have been provided through Meadowbrook Youth Journal.

For our **mission trip in Summer 2017**, we are heading to Washington D.C. Registration for seniors will begin Sunday, January 1. Registration for all other grades will begin Wednesday, January 8.



The **Meadowbrook Women's Circle** will meet Wednesday, January 11, 10:30am, at Rebecca Long's home. Please respond to let Rebecca know if you will be attending and staying for lunch, 601-832-9003.

Holiday Office Hours: The church office will be closed the week after Christmas, but the office phone will be forwarded to the minister on call. Classes will not meet on Wed., Dec. 28. On Sun., Jan. 1, we will have worship service at 10:30am, but there will be no classes. The office will be closed on Monday, January 2, for New Year's. *Windows* will not be printed on Sunday, January 1. Please check your emails and Meadowbrook Connect for any urgent news or updates.