

Connect Card

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December 17, 2017

Please indicate which service you are attending this morning:
☐ 9:00 am Service ☐ 10:30 am Service

Please Tell Us About Yourself:

☐ Dr. ☐ Mr. ☐ Mrs. ☐ Miss

☐ Single ☐ Married ☐ Newlywed ☐ Engaged ☐ Widowed

Name: _____ DOB ____/____/____

Spouse: _____ DOB ____/____/____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

State: _____ Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Family Members Living at Home:

Name: _____ DOB ____/____/____

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I would like more information on:
☐ How to begin a relationship with Jesus Christ
☐ How to become a member of First Baptist Church Plant City
☐ How to join a Sunday School Class
☐ Please have a minister contact me.

Are you currently a member of a church?
☐ Yes ☐ No

Name of Church _____

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Order of Worship

December 17, 2017

Blended Service
9:00 am

Welcome

Baptism & Prayer

“Emmanuel (The King Is Coming)”

“Joy to the World”

Parent/Child Dedication

“When Hope Came Down”

Offering

“Hallelujah to the Baby Who Came”

Message from God’s Word
Pastor Brian Stowe

Time of Decision

Closing Comments

Modern Service
10:30 am

Baptism & Prayer

“Noel”

“Joy to the World”

Parent/Child Dedication

“Make Room”

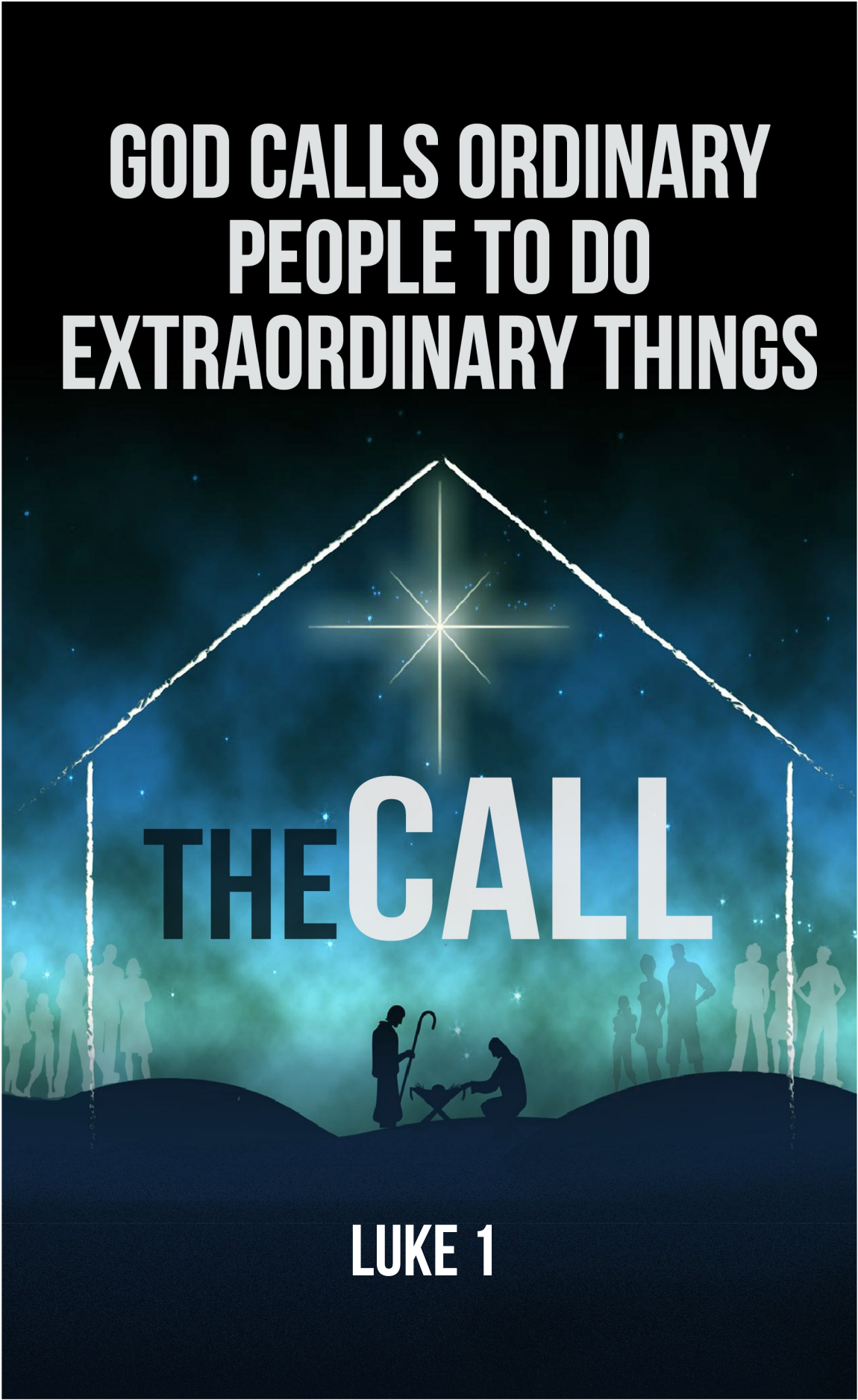
Offering

“O Holy Night”

Message from God’s Word
Pastor Brian Stowe

Time of Decision

Closing Comments



Leading people beyond just good enough to experience

This week at a glance

Sunday, December 17

- Bible Study: 8:00 am, 9:00 am & 10:30 am
- Worship: Blended, 9:00 am, Modern, 10:30 am
- English Class: 4:30 pm, Room 136
- Spanish Church: 6:00 pm, Room 136

Tuesday, December 19

- Median Adult Small Group: 6:45 pm, Venning home
- KIT Group: 9:00 am, Library

Wednesday, December 20

- Fellowship Meal: 5:00 pm, Fellowship Hall
- AWANA: 6:00 pm, All Children aged 2 - 6th grade
- Men’s Ministry: 6:00 pm, 2nd floor, BLI Bldg.
- Wednesdays for Women: 6:15 pm, 3rd floor S,
- Adults: Wednesday in the Word: 6:15 pm WC
- First Student Worship: 6:15 pm, student area
- Spanish Church: 6:15 pm, Room 136
- Adult Choir and Orchestra: 7:30 pm, Worship Center
- College & Young Professionals (18-30): 7:30 pm, Krazy Kup, downtown Plant City.

Thursday, December 21

- M.O.P.S.: 9:30-11:30 am, Room 353
- G.R.I.T.S. (Girls Raised in the Scripture): 6:00 pm, BLI Bldg
- School of Music Recital: 7:00 pm
- Coed Bible Study (in English): 7:30 pm, Room 136, Open to all, led by John Foxx

Responding to Unreasonable Circumstances

“The Call” Series

The best decision is rarely the convenient decision.

1. His _____ vv 18-19

A. In a moment, everything _____ for Joseph.

Dismay rocked his world in at least two ways:

1. An _____ wife. At least that’s what Joseph had to think at the start.
2. An _____ future.

B. Have you ever considered that God may have to make you go through a season of _____ in order for you to get His best?

His future would not be as he had imagined; but what he did not know was that God would have a hand in his future that would make it something that he could have never dreamed of

2. His _____ vv 20-23

A. Before Joseph followed through on a decision, he _____ on it. Never factor God out of your _____ circumstances.

What did he get?

1. _____.
2. _____.

If you do not make any time in your life for God to speak, how can you know what God will say to you?

B. The worst thing you will do in your life, in your marriage, in your parenting, and your career is to have _____ of time whereby you can be still before the Lord to hear Him.

3. His _____ vv 24-25

A. Would he _____ or _____?

1. He had to decide between _____ and _____.
2. He had to decide who would be first - _____ or the _____.

B. The _____ decision led to _____ and more _____.

God’s plan is so much better and more important than my plan. And God’s plan must be priority NOW. How does that happen? One word, **surrender**.

How?


1. Give up your _____.
2. Give over your _____.
3. Give in to God’s _____ in your heart.
4. Give _____.

What now?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Welcome

to First Baptist Church Plant City



Dr. Brian Stowe, Pastor

The Christmas story is incredible in so many ways, not the least of which is the call God extended to some very ordinary people to do some extraordinary things. As we look at different parts of the Christmas story, we will see that God called some to overcome doubt, a damaged reputation, unreasonable circumstances, and the unthinkable in order to be a part of the extraordinary. What is God calling you to do this Christmas? Obeying His call will move you to witness the extraordinary!

SPECIAL EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROWTH AND SERVICE

First Baptist Church Plant City exists to lead people beyond just good enough to experience “L.I.F.E.” in Christ, and we do this by helping you to Worship, Grow, Serve and Reach.

Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

Now through December 31st

Your giving enables missionaries to be sent to make disciples and plant churches among un-reached peoples and places for the glory of God.

Lottie Moon Post Office

Bring in your Christmas cards for church members and donate the postage to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. The Post Office is in the hall-way near the Library.

Holiday Schedule Changes

Christmas Eve: Two Christmas Eve services to choose from, 10:00 am and 4:00 pm

Wednesday, December 27: No activities

New Year’s Eve: One service at 10:00 am

Church office closed on: Dec. 25, 26 and Jan. 1.

New Hearts Outreach

has postponed Thursday night individual confidential prayer sessions here at First Baptist Church until January 4th. If you are dealing with sexual brokenness or issues related to Same Sex Attraction, New Hearts can be reached at www.nhotampa.org or call 813-379-2971 to schedule an appointment .

Night To Shine

FBCPC is proud to be an official host church for the 2018 Night to Shine, sponsored by the Tim Tebow Foundation. Night to Shine is an unforgettable prom night experience, centered on God’s love, for people with special needs ages 14 and older. The event will take place at more than 500 churches around the world simultaneously on February 9, 2018. For information on supporting the event financially or serving as a volunteer, please visit fbcpcc.com/nighttoshine.

We’re offering 3 volunteer trainings in January:


Monday, January 22nd at 6:00 pm

Thursday, January 25th at 6:00 pm

Sunday, January 28th at 4:00 pm

Special Senior Adult Event

All Senior Adults are invited to our new location on Sunday, January 14th at 3:00 pm for a tour of our new church campus, led by Pastor Brian Stowe and Pastor Claude Walker. We will meet, pray and rejoice in God’s answer to our prayer for this property. We will have a light meal after the tour. Contact the church office by January 8th if you plan to attend.

GROW

Wednesday in the Word

Wednesdays, 6:15 pm in the Choir Room

An in-depth study of Genesis, from Eden to Egypt. This co-ed class is open to everyone.

Wednesdays for Women

Wednesdays, 6:15 pm 3rd floor South

Lori Yarbrough is leading a study entitled, “All Things New,” by Kelly Minter.

SERVE

Calling all singing worshippers! We need you in the Worship Choir!

As we prepare to move into our beautiful new Worship Center at the south campus, we’d love to have as many worshipping singers in the choir as we possibly can! We have two different opportunities for you to rehearse with us: Sundays at 4:00 pm, and Wednesdays at 7:30 pm! Pick the one most convenient for you to attend! We’d love to have you with us! Contact our Worship Pastor for more info at Kvancura@fbcpcc.com.

SERVE Opportunities

We’re excited about all the new volunteer opportunities to SERVE at our new campus. Take the next step of engagement with YOUR church and join one of the SERVE Teams listed below. For more information, stop by the SERVE Wall across from the library or contact Adam Cunningham.

- Tent Team

Greeters

Coffee Team

Set-up Team

Parking Lot Team


Audio/ Visual Team

Choir & Music Ministry

DivorceCare

Wednesdays at 6:00 pm (beginning January 3rd)

at the BLI building. Cost is \$10 and includes all class materials and weekly snacks. Register at fbcpcc.com. Contact Daniel Helms for more information.

GROW

Looking for a good Devotional?

The Believer’s Code Devotional book by O.S. Hawkins will be available to purchase for \$10.00 here at the church, starting December 20th. We also have some, but not many, Children’s Devotionals on sale for \$12.00 in the church office.

Vital Signs

Prayer Needs

NEW MEMBERS

12/10/17

David Rich

1406 Plantation Circle #1209

By Statement

Nelly Ortiz

1409 Larrick Ln.

By Statement

MEMORIALS

Bill & Shirley Powell

Rex & Sharon Cole

BEREAVEMENT

Our Pastors & Church Family extend their deepest sympathy and Christian love to:

Charles Adams in the loss of his daughter, Samantha Adams, on December 12th.

Shirley Graves and family in the loss of her brother, Vernon Canon, on December 10th.

STATISTICS	12/10/17
Small Group Attendance	1086
Budget Receipts	63,608.71
Wills & Trusts	0.00
Budget Requirements	74,858.37
YTD Budget Receipts	668,032.46
YTD Budget Requirements	823,442.02
Generations to Come Pledge	5,652,281.67
12/10/17 Receipts	10,992.50
Received to Date	4,170,382.04

Giving Opportunity

There are special provisions in the tax code that allow direct giving from an IRA to a qualified charitable organization. A qualified charitable distribution (QCD) is generally a nontaxable distribution made directly by the trustee of your IRA to an organization eligible to receive tax deductible contributions. You must be at least age 70½ when the distribution was made. The maximum annual exclusion for QCDs is \$100,000. If you file a joint return, your spouse can also have a QCD and exclude up to \$100,000. The amount of the QCD is limited to the amount of the distribution that would otherwise be included in income. If your IRA includes nondeductible contributions, the distribution is first considered to be paid out of otherwise taxable income. If you haven’t taken your Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) this year, or if you would like to make an in-kind gift, please contact Steve Morris for further information. See the following website for full information:
https://www.irs.gov/publications/p590b#en_US_2016__publink100041439 (no spaces)

Parent/Child Dedication

9:00 Service

Archer Daryl Bailey

Travis and Garnet Bailey

Emily Charlotte Bonfil

Max Ellis Bonfil

Alberto and Heather Bonfil

10:30 Service

Eliana Grace Cunningham

Adam and Stephanie Cunningham

Avery Elizabeth Lombard

Michael and Rebecca Lombard

Lexi Joyce Warner

Jason and Ashley Warner