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Pastor's Column

As I write this, I am sitting in a hotel room in Huntsville, Alabama at the end of the first day of the State Convention. I don't know

how things could have gone any better, and by the time you read this, you will probably already know all the great things that took place. No, there was nothing earth-shattering in our decisions, but it is usually the little things, when done right, that make the biggest difference. I had the great pleasure of introducing Mike and Carmen Tucker to their first State Convention – I just hope they don't reveal the secret reason most pastors actually attend these things. We heard some great preaching – no, that's not the secret reason – about what it means to live a Christ-centered life. There was an African-American preacher who spoke. Actually, he "preached" his testimony. It wasn't until he was 26 that he heard the gospel. He made a statement that caused me to cringe. He said that the Muslims came to their neighborhood and told them about Allah. And the Jehovah's Witnesses came and talked about their false religion. But not a single Christian came to their neighborhood to tell them about Jesus. That broke my heart because I realized that it is entirely possible that there are some people in Dadeville that could say the same thing, and I don't want that to be the case. My prayer is that FBC Dadeville would intentionally share the gospel on every street and in every neighborhood within a 5-mile radius of our church. I'm still praying about how we can do that, so would you join me in praying for wisdom? God is up to something, and I know it's going to be big.

Love you all,

Merry Christmas,

Bro. Ben



Thank you so much to all who donated money for the purchase of shoeboxes. You have made a difference!



T'was the month before Christmas and all through the church, the people were busy with parties and work. Ma with her schedule and Pa with his list, trying to make sure that nothing was missed. Ordering and buying and starting to worry, this season is passing in such a great hurry. What would we do without all these Christmas elves, delivering packages and filling our shelves. The Amazon boxes stacked by the front door with care, to see that Saint UPS has recently been there. Amidst all of the hustle and bustle and all of the fun, it can seem like Christmas happened on the run. So slow down, breathe and ponder with me, we should remember to show others Christmas isn't really about what's under the tree. Let's gather our families and remember with glee, The Savior that was born so long ago for you and for me! Merry Christmas! Bro. Forrest



Week of Prayer Nov. 28-Dec. 4



We are getting ready for a special part of the year. Christmas is upon us and through all the craziness and the overwhelming sense of the season, I think it is great that we

take a moment to pause and ask ourselves, "why do we do what we do?" Not just in the church but in everyday life. Why do we do what we do? There are probably a lot of answers, some good some bad, but when we look at our everyday lives what are and who are we doing things for. Are we serving ourselves? Are we serving others? Are we even serving God? Most people know the answer they should give to this question. "Give Glory to God." That is the right answer, but are we actually doing this, or is this just another answer that we pull out for Sundays and Wednesdays? Don't Forget this Christmas Season that we worship and celebrate a great and almighty God. He is the reason that we have a spirit of joy and a spirit of thankfulness. Giving and showing Glory to the Almighty Father is the answer to why do we do what we do. Never forget that He is the reason we as Christians celebrate this season. May The Lord Bless You and Keep You.

Thanks, Austin Glass



DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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| 3 Vaeh Burns | 20 Carly Jo Smith |
| Glen Elmore | Blakeley Templeton |
| 4 Thomas Rawls | 23 Beth Pierce |
| Misha McCullough | Christi Templeton |
| 8 Robert Vaughn | 27 Linda Kilgore |
| 11 Olivia Alexander | Mary Melton |
| 12 Amanda Williams | Howard Olive |
| 14 John Lipscomb | Richard White |
| 16 Danny Penza | 28 Philip Baker |
| 17 Jayden Carr | 29 Dorothy Holdridge |
| 18 Brucile Peoples | 30 Jim Ferguson |
| 19 Betty Hamby | Lindsay McKelvey |
| Chris McClendon | Kyle Harkins |