

### FUTURE GENERATIONS

We are asking for all who made a one-time commitment to give soon, and those who made monthly commitments to give faithfully each month!

From July 1-Dec 5 , \$391,254 has been given to Future Generations as we move toward our goal of \$667,000.

Future Generations is our faithful preparation in the present generation for all those who will come behind us at FBC Irving.

### UPCOMING WEDNESDAY NIGHT PRAYER GATHERINGS

December 14: Christmas Communion.  
December 21 and 28: No Wednesday Night Activities

### CHRISTMAS ON MAIN STREET

Tonight @ 6:30 p.m.:  
A First Family Christmas with Children's Choirs, the Christmas story and our favorite Christmas songs.

Wednesday, December 14 @ 6:15 p.m.:  
Christmas Communion. A time of reflection on the Child born to die. Fellowship Hall.

Saturday, December 17 @ 7:00 p.m.:  
Carols and Candlelight. If you have extra tickets, please turn them in. All seats are presently full.

Sunday, December 18 @ 7:00 p.m.:  
Carols and Candlelight. If you have extra tickets, please turn them in. All seats are presently full.

### DECEMBER 25 AND JANUARY 1

There is only one service on Christmas Day and New Year's Day at 10:00 a.m. There are no ABFs meeting that day, but there is Preschool Care.

### POINSETTIAS

There are still plenty of poinsettias left to purchase! They will decorate the Worship Center starting this Sunday until Sunday, December 25. Hurry to the Hub today to purchase one in honor or in memory of your loved ones. Cost is \$12 per poinsettia.

### SENIOR LIFE JANUARY BIBLE STUDY

Mark your calendar now so you don't miss out on the 4-day study of The Beatitudes taught by Pastor Ron Durham. The dates are January 16-19 in the Fellowship Hall starting at 11:00 a.m. Lunch (\$5/person) will be served each day prior to the Bible study. Register in the Hub or online at [www.firstirvingfamily.org](http://www.firstirvingfamily.org).

### PRESCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED

Preschool is needing teachers for both the 10:00 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. worship times. If you are interested, feel free to visit the Preschool Welcome Desk after church today, Wednesday night or next Sunday. You may also email Donna Mosty at [dmosty@fbcirving.org](mailto:dmosty@fbcirving.org).

### PRESCHOOL PARTY

Please join us in the Preschool hall this Wednesday night, December 14, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. for our Preschool Happy Birthday Jesus Party. We hope to see you there!

### CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

All kids, Kinder-5th grade are invited; Wednesday, December 14; 6:00-8:00 p.m. on the Children's floor. Bring canned foods to donate to BBMOI instead of a gift exchange and come ready to eat, craft, fellowship & play! For more information email [jmosty@fbcirving.org](mailto:jmosty@fbcirving.org).

### STUDENT MINISTRY DISCIPLE NOW

All middle school and high school students are invited to be a part of Disciple Now 2012, January 13 - 15. D-Now is a weekend retreat where students will be staying in host homes all around Irving. Our worship will be led by the Jeff Johnson Band and our speaker is Steve Bezner. The cost is \$50. Students can sign up online or on the third floor.

### LADIES' BIRTHDAY BRUNCH

Tickets are on sale today in the Hub for the Ladies Birthday Brunch held on January 28, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Cost \$8. The speaker will be Rebecca Ashbrook Carrell. If you would like to serve at this event, please contact Raleigh Mae Stevenson at [RSteve4373@aol.com](mailto:RSteve4373@aol.com) or Jane Norman at [JGRN1008@aol.com](mailto:JGRN1008@aol.com). You may also register online at [www.firstirvingfamily.org/womens.html](http://www.firstirvingfamily.org/womens.html).

### WOMEN OF FAITH - "CELEBRATE 2012"

"...Be happy and full of joy, because the Lord has done a wonderful thing." Joel 2:21 NCV. If you are interested in attending the Women of Faith conference in September 2012 we are currently taking a \$25 deposit to hold a great seat for you! Sign up in the Hub today so we will know how many tickets to purchase. For more information, contact Shawn Carr at 469-585-9368 or email [shawncarr33@gmail.com](mailto:shawncarr33@gmail.com).

### WOMEN'S EVENT TEAM

We are looking for outgoing, friendly women to bring their hospitable spirit to our different events! We have many events throughout 2012 where we'd love for you to come and serve. If you are interested in serving please contact Michelle Stanphill at [mstanphill@fbcirving.org](mailto:mstanphill@fbcirving.org).

### ¡LLENOS DE VIDA! SPANISH ABF

A Spanish-speaking ABF takes place at 10:00 a.m. in the Fireside Room. Please share with others this great new ministry to reach out to our Spanish-speaking neighbors and friends. Leadership for the class is Eddie and Rita Lopez, Carlos and Lisseth Aviles, and Manny and Jennifer Garcia.

### FIRST IRVING MEN'S MISSION TRIP

The First Irving Men's Ministry will be heading to Tyler, TX, and Pine Cove Christian Camp for a Mission Trip. The cost is \$30 and includes food, lodging, and travel. Dates are January 11-14, 2012. ALL ages are encouraged to come. Sign up in the Hub, or contact Jason Hatch at [jhatch@fbcirving.org](mailto:jhatch@fbcirving.org).

### COUNSELING MINISTRY AT FIRST IRVING

First Irving offers a counseling ministry to members and non-members under the direction of Julie David, a Licensed Professional Counselor-Intern and graduate of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. Appointments are open to individuals, couples, and families suffering from a variety of issues. Please call the church office or email [counseling@fbcirving.org](mailto:counseling@fbcirving.org) to schedule an appointment or learn more about Renew: The Counseling Ministry at First Irving.

### GRAFTED

First Irving's foster care/adoption ministry is hosting a Christmas party this Wednesday, December 14 at 7:30 p.m. in the Fireside room. This will be a time to encourage, support and find out more information about Grafted. Whether you are currently in the foster/adoption process, or are just interested in finding out more about it, you should come! Childcare will be provided. If you have questions, please contact Janelle @ [jhartsfield@fbcirving.org](mailto:jhartsfield@fbcirving.org).

<b>Wednesday Fellowship Meal</b>	
<i>December 14, 2011</i>	
<i>Stuffed chicken breast</i>	
<i>Baked cod</i>	
Serving from 5:00 - 6:15 p.m. in Fellowship Hall	
Adults - \$4.50	
6th - College - \$3.50	
Kindergarten - 5th Grade - \$2.50	
4 Yrs and under - Free	
<i>Prayer Gathering at 6:15 p.m.</i>	

## Weekly Planner

<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>12.11.11</b>
8:00 a.m.	Men's Prayer Time
8:45 a.m.	Classic Service
10:00 a.m.	Contemporary Service
11:15 a.m.	Contemporary Service
6:30 p.m.	First Family Christmas
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>12.12.11</b>
9:00 a.m.	Kids Day Out
3:00 p.m.	CHAMPS
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>12.13.11</b>
11:30 a.m.	Evergreen
3:00 p.m.	CHAMPS
6:00 p.m.	S.E.A.L.S Team
6:30 p.m.	Cub Scout Meeting
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>12.14.11</b>
3:00 p.m.	CHAMPS
5:00 p.m.	Fellowship Meal
5:45 p.m.	Handbell Choir Practice
6:00 p.m.	Preschool Happy Birthday Jesus Party
6:00 p.m.	Children's Choir
6:00 p.m.	Children's Christmas Party
6:15 p.m.	Christmas Communion
7:00 p.m.	Adult Choir Practice
7:00 p.m.	MS/HS Synergy
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>12.15.11</b>
3:00 p.m.	CHAMPS
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>12.16.11</b>
9:00 a.m.	Kids Day Out
3:00 p.m.	CHAMPS
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>12.17.11</b>
7:00 p.m.	Carols & Candlelight
9:00 p.m.	Ladies' Prayer Time



**Sermon Notes**  
Don't know what this symbol is? Go to [www.firstirvingfamily.org/qrcode.html](http://www.firstirvingfamily.org/qrcode.html) to find out!

<b>STEWARDSHIP:</b>	December 4, 2011
Tithes & Offerings	\$ 45,921
Future Generations	\$ 7,618
Budget Gifts YTD	\$ 368,261
Budget YTD (under)	(\$10,409)
<b>ATTENDANCE:</b>	December 4, 2011
Worship	848
ABF	1009
<b>ADDITIONS:</b>	December 4, 2011
Letter	2
Baptism	1
Statement	1



### Welcome to First Irving

We continue in the series called "Unwrapped" this morning as we are reminded through the prophet Isaiah that God revealed Himself to us through Jesus Christ. The veil to the mystery was lifted. I hope to see you tonight as well for the First Family Christmas.

-John Durham

### Welcome Center Reception

Our Ministers would like to meet you at the conclusion of each Worship Service. Please stop by the Welcome Center at 9:50 a.m., 11:05 a.m., or 12:20 p.m. for the opportunity to get acquainted with some new friends. Exit through the double doors by the piano to the Welcome Center.

*December 11, 2011*