

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-Nov 30, \$383,546 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 7: Testimonies from New Members in First Irving.

December 14: Christmas Communion.

CHRISTMAS ON MAIN STREET

Sunday, December 11 @ 6:30 p.m.: A First Family Christmas. 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. Tickets are required, but free, and are available today in the HUB.

Sunday, December 18 @ 7:00 p.m.: Carols and Candlelight. Tickets are required, but free, and are available today in the HUB.

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 that meet that day, but there is Preschool Care.

LIFE CLASS TODAY AT 11:15 a.m.

This class is for guests, new church members, and current members who desire to learn more about First Irving and our beliefs. The LIFE class lasts for two hours which includes a complimentary lunch and free childcare. The class is led by Brad Ledbetter and Michelle Stanphill and will meet in the Fireside Room in the Family Life Center.

PRESCHOOL

Teach in our every other week program: teach one week and then attend your ABF the next. 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.

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.

COLLEGE CHRISTMAS PARTY

College Christmas Party is this Wednesday, December 7th at 7:30 p.m. at the Corbett's home (15 min from the church). We are having a tacky sweater competition, as well as a white elephant gift exchange (\$5 or less). There will be lots of junk food! Be there! For more information, contact jhatch@fbcirving.org.

LADIES' BIRTHDAY BRUNCH

Tickets go 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 Rebbecca Ashbrook Carrell. If you would like to serve at this event, please contact Raleigh Mae Stevenson at RSteve4373@aol.com or Jane Norman at JGRN1008@aol.com.

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.

WOMEN'S EVENT TEAM

We are looking for outgoing, friendly women to bring their hospitable spirit to our different events! This includes everything from a welcoming smile at the front door and handing out printed material, to helping the ladies find a seat next to new or old friends. 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.

JULIENOS DE VIDAI NEW SPANISH ABF

A new 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.

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.

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.

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 to schedule an appointment or learn more about Renew: The Counseling Ministry at First Irving.

POINSETTIAS

Christmas is coming to First Irving and that means it is time to order your Christmas poinsettias! The poinsettias will decorate the Worship Center from Sunday, December 11 until Sunday, December 25. Hurry to the Hub today to purchase a poinsettia in honor or in memory of your loved ones. Cost is \$12 per poinsettia.

Wednesday Fellowship Meal December 7, 2011	
<i>Meatloaf Chicken</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	
Prayer Gathering at 6:15 p.m.	

Weekly Planner

SUNDAY	12.04.11
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
4:30 p.m.	Birthday Brunch Meeting

MONDAY	12.05.11
9:00 a.m.	Kids Day Out
3:00 p.m.	CHAMPS

TUESDAY	12.06.11
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

WEDNESDAY	12.07.11
3:00 p.m.	CHAMPS
5:00 p.m.	Fellowship Meal
5:45 p.m.	Handbell Choir Practice
6:00 p.m.	Children's Choir
6:15 p.m.	Prayer Gathering
7:00 p.m.	Adult Choir Practice
7:00 p.m.	TeamKid
7:00 p.m.	MS/HS Synergy

THURSDAY	12.08.11
3:00 p.m.	CHAMPS

FRIDAY	12.09.11
9:00 a.m.	Kids Day Out
3:00 p.m.	CHAMPS

SATURDAY	12.10.11
9:00 p.m.	Ladies' Prayer Time



Sermon Notes
Don't know what this symbol is? Go to www.firstirvingfamily.org/qrcode.html to find out!

STEWARDSHIP:	November 27, 2011
Tithes & Offerings	\$ 25,335
Future Generations	\$ 3,971
Budget Gifts YTD	\$ 319,608
Budget YTD under	(\$17,213)
ATTENDANCE:	November 27, 2011
Worship	689
ABF	725
ADDITIONS:	November 27, 2011
Letter	1



Welcome to First Irving

We begin a new 4-week series this morning that focuses our heart on Christ coming to our world; the series is called "Unwrapped." I pray that this series is a beautiful reminder that the Glory of God, the love of God and the fullness of God was unwrapped for us all to see when Jesus came and dwelt among us. What a stirring thought!

-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 4, 2011