



# FIRST BAPTIST M I D W E S T C I T Y

NEWSLETTER DECEMBER 5, 2024

705 E. RICKENBACKER DR. MWC, OK, 73110

SUNDAY

SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:00AM  
WORSHIP 10:15AM  
EVENING ACTIVITIES 6:00PM

WEDNESDAY

FELLOWSHIP MEAL 5:00PM  
BIBLE STUDY 6:00PM

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

MON - THURS: 8:30AM-5:00PM

Church Family,

I want to encourage you to gather with us as we worship on Sunday, December 15th. That morning, we will honor Reece Watson as he leads us for the last time as our Minister of Music. After our morning service, all are invited to a lunch reception downstairs as we celebrate Reece's retirement. Reece and Dana both have been a great blessing to our church, and I know it would mean a lot to them for you to be there. I also want to encourage you to contribute to the love offering we are taking up on their behalf. Every time one of our ministers retires, we send them off with a gift of generosity, and this month, we have the opportunity to rise up again to express our thanks. I am confident we will answer this call together! I love you church family.

In Christ,  
Pastor Trey



FIRST BAPTIST MIDWEST CITY DECEMBER 8, 2024  
10:15 AM WORSHIP

## Family Meeting

December 8, 6 PM

Worship Center

Worship, Church Business  
& 2025 Budget Vote

This Will NOT Be Livestreamed

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## REECE'S PIECES- MANGER THRONE

Last summer, as Dana and I toured the Royal Palace in Madrid, Spain, we were overwhelmed by the extravagant furnishings and exquisite architecture in every room. The two most impressive rooms were the dining room and the throne room. Both of these rooms serve the primary purpose of receiving (and impressing) guests. We were blown away by the lavish beauty of the palace as we toured the part that's open to the public. However, we didn't get to see the King or Queen, or any of the royal family. If we had gone in expecting to see them we would have been disappointed.

Imagine being one of the shepherds or wise men who followed the star to see Jesus. What if you were delayed and arrived too late? What if Jesus had already left Bethlehem with his parents and was nowhere to be found? After inquiring, perhaps someone might have offered you a tour of the stable. Your tour guide could point out the manger where Jesus was laid, but the whole point of you being there was not to see an empty manger but to see King Jesus and worship Him!

We must realize that the "manger throne" where Jesus was laid when He was born was important solely because He was and still is Emmanuel—God with us! Jesus, the King of kings and Lord of lords came in the flesh to be our Savior! As the old saying goes – Jesus is the reason for the season. We have the privilege of joining our hearts to worship Him together. As we gather this Sunday for the Christmas musical, remember our focus is not to be entertained by great music or cute kids in costumes, but to honor, glorify, and worship Jesus the King.

*All hail the King! All hail the King!  
Glory be to You alone,  
King who reigns from a manger throne!  
My life, my praise, everything I own, to Jesus,  
the King on a manger throne.*

## STUDENT MINISTRY

### Sunday Activities

9:00 AM Sunday School  
10:15 AM Worship Service

### Midweek Services in the Fuquay (Wednesdays)

December 4th & 11th: 6:00-8:00 PM

### Christmas Party December 18th

6:00-8:00 PM in the Fuquay Building  
\$10 or less dirty Santa  
Ugly Christmas Sweater Contest  
Food will be provided

### No Midweek Dec. 25th or Jan. 1st

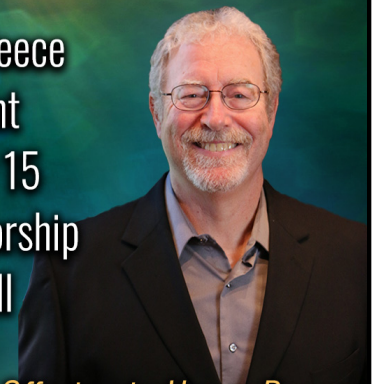
### Winter Retreat January 3rd-5th

Costs: \$45  
Vans are leaving at 9 AM on Friday

### Wed. January 15: Student/Parent Meeting

## Retirement Luncheon for Reece Watson

Join us as we wish Reece  
a happy retirement  
Sunday, December 15  
following Morning Worship  
in Fellowship Hall



*We will collect a Love Offering to Honor Reece*

### LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING

# 100%

OF YOUR GIFT TO THE  
LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING  
SUPPORTS MISSIONARY PRESENCE

JOIN THE GREAT  
PURSUIT THROUGH  
YOUR GENEROUS  
GIFT TODAY

OUR CHURCH  
GIVING GOAL:

## \$20,000

