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GUEST INFORMATION

Name

Email address

Other Contact Info

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28, 2025

PRAYER EMPHASIS SUNDAY

10:30AM IN FELLOWSHIP HALL
DONUTS & COFFEE WILL BE SERVED
NURSERY PROVIDED

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It is time to renew your subscription to "The Alabama Baptist."

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New Members

Mike & Becky Nelson
2825 White Oak Drive
Gadsden, AL 35907

Stephen & Rebekah Walker
Henry & Caroline
1457 Anna Drive
Attalla, AL 35954

Honoraria

Wayne Eads
Debo Johns & Family

Jim Inzer
Inzer Sunday School Class

Ann Moore & Kay Moore
Larry & Beckey Brittain

Debbie Prince
Clay & Cathy Ellis

Ruth-Rejoice Sunday School Class
Anne Bourne

Memorials

Judy Crain
Earle Inglis
Rick & Francie Vann

Ray & Clara Dunnington
Rick & Sandy Galloway

Christian Sympathy

Is extended to
Marlene Harrison and family in the
loss of her son, Mike Harrison.

Weekly Records	December 14, 2025
Sunday School	Stewardship Records
Enrollment.....416	Budget.....\$29,697.88
Attendance	Tithes Received.....\$36,859.70
Members182	Designated.....\$11,128.15
Visitors4	Budget to Date\$1,484,894.00
Total Attendance186	Received to Date\$1,370,581.71
Worship	
Attendance.....275	
No Kids Worship.....34	
Total Attendance309	

Note: To receive tax credit for 2025, contributions must be in the church office or postmarked by Wednesday, December 31.

The office will be open 8:00 am until 3:00 pm on Monday & Tuesday, Dec. 29 & 30 and until noon on Wednesday, December 31.

You may also make credit or debit card donations online at www.fbcgadsden.org/giving

SERVING THE LITTLE ONES

 Cathy Ellis, Allyson Green
Emma Martin
Katie Meredith
Caroline Spruiell
Kylie & Eva Turner
Francie Vann


 Misty Walker
Judi Beaird, PR Hill
Eugenia Cunningham
Dan & Brittany Johns

SOUND & TV MINISTRY

Scott Morgan, Matthew Vance
Chris Alexander, Jeff Martin
Allen Ray, Ricky Ray
Jarrod Walker

SECURITY & GREETERS

Paul Hodge
Allen Back, Noah Miller
Bill Stone
Golf Cart – Ragan Lonnergan



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GADSDEN
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Rev. Mat Alexander.....	Senior Pastor
Rev. Nathan Edwards	Associate Pastor for Worship
Rev. Woodie Turner.....	Associate Pastor
Miss Lydia Sewell.....	Minister of Children & Missions
Rev. Coale Jordan.....	Minister of Students & Media
Mrs. Sharon Reynolds.....	Pianist
Mrs. Lana Cornutt	Organist



AND HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM YOUR FBC STAFF

Woodie Pastor Mat Nathan

Lydia Coale

Becki Jackie Gina

Sharon Lana

Joyce Barry Amanda

Sunday, December 21, 2025 10:30 am		
Prelude	Mrs. Lana Cornutt	
Call to Worship	"Baby Jesus, We Love You" Lil Singers & First Steps Choirs	Frazier
Welcome	Rev. Coale Jordan, Minister of Students & Media	
Carol 87	"Joy to the World" Stanzas 1, 2, & 3	ANTIOCH
Lighting of the Advent Candle: LOVE	Mr. & Mrs. Vann Scott	
Congregational Response 82	"Emmanuel"	McGEE
Missions Moment	Lottie Moon Christmas Offering	Miss Lydia Sewell, Minister of Children & Missions
Choral Worship	"Noel" Corri Edwards, Brittany Johns, Jessica Ponder	arr. Nitz
Carol 98	"I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day" Stanzas 1, 3, 4, & 5	WALTHAM
Pastoral Prayer	Rev. Woodie Turner, Associate Pastor	
Choral Worship	"In Bethlehem" Sanctuary Choir	Dewar & Forrest
Carol 100	"Angels We Have Heard on High" On the final stanza, children are invited to FirstKids Worship.	GLORIA
Message	"Come and See The God Who Draws Near" Romans 10:5-13 Page 946 in pew Bible	Rev. Mat Alexander, Senior Pastor
Time of Response	Mrs. Sharon Reynolds	
Congregational Benediction 87	"Joy to the World" Stanzas 4	ANTIOCH
He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the nations prove The glories of His righteousness and wonders of His love, And wonders of His love, and wonders, wonders of His love.		
Postlude	Mrs. Lana Cornutt	

IN BETHLEHEM

Though the road was long, the time drew near,
Heaven’s King on earth would soon appear.
Yet no bed prepared, no waiting crown; Just a stable near the edge of town.
Here the Child was born so far from home to those humble trav’lers all alone.
So they whispered low their soft amen, on that lonely night in Bethlehem.

Come behold the shepherds, oft unseen,
Chosen first to look though rough, unclean.
’Tis the Christ! Peace on earth begins; He will save His people from their sins.
See our Mighty God has done great things! Hear the angel hosts His glories sing
And repeat the sounding joy again on that holy night in Bethlehem.

You are worthy, Jesus, Lord of all, stooping down to grace that cattle stall.
You did not recoil to meet us there, all our weakness, shame and grief to share.
So bring down the mighty from their seat; gently lift the humble to their feet,
That we all would at your manger bend to behold that sight in Bethlehem.

This amount includes \$4,975 from Lasagna for Lottie



Church Goal \$42,000
Total Given to Date \$22,259.56

INVITATIONS ARE AVAILABLE AT EACH EXIT



HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Sunday, December 21
9:15 am Sunday School
10:30 am Morning Worship
8:00 pm Rebroadcast
Comcast Channel 5

Monday, December 22
8:30 am Ladies Exercise

Tuesday, December 23
10:00 am Staff Meeting

Wednesday, December 24
Church closed for Holidays

5:00 pm Candlelight Christmas Eve Service

Thursday - Friday December 25 - 26
Church office closed

The Chimes will not be published the week between Christmas & New Years.

Sunday, December 28
No Sunday School
10:30 am
Prayer Emphasis Sunday in Fellowship Hall
Coffee and Donuts provided

Monday & Tuesday, December 29 & 30
Church closes at 3:00 pm

Wednesday , December 31
Church closes at noon

Thursday & Friday January 1 & 2
Church office closed



Christmas Broadcast Schedule Comcast Channel 5

December 24, 8pm - 9pm
Replay of Christmas Concert

December 25, 10:30am - 11:30am
Replay of Christmas Concert

December 25, 8pm - 9pm
Replay of Christmas Concert

December 28, 10:30am - 11:30am
Replay of Christmas Concert

January 4, 8pm - 9pm
Replay of Children’s Musical

Dec. 28 First Steps Volunteers
Anona Aderholdt
Ford & Wattsie Alexander
Tammy Clayton
Keri Lonnergan
Jared & Cantrell Lowe
Marian Stone
Vanessa Walker

Dec. 28 Security & Greeters
Paul Hodge
Ragan Lonnergan
Terry Clayton, Mark Harris
Wes Sutton