

December CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Dec 1 Volunteer at Wabash
- Dec 5-9 Meals on Wheels
- Dec 11 Youth Christmas performance
- Dec 12-16 Meals on Wheels
- Dec 13 Lesters Christmas Concert
- Dec 18 Christmas Cantata
Community Christmas Service
- Dec 24 Christmas Eve Service
- Dec 25 Sunday School and Worship
NO Sunday Evening Service



Sermon Titles

- Dec 4 The Inkeeper's Christmas
Luke 2:1-7
- Dec 11 Youth Christmas Program
"Operation baby King"
- Dec 18 Choir Christmas Cantata
"Mary Did You Know?"
- Dec 25 Just Jesus
Matthew 1:18-21



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Return Service Requested

Darrel Brandon, Minister Phone 676-1164
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Sunday: 9 AM Bible School for all ages
10 AM Morning Worship Service
7 PM Evening Service
Wednesday 7 PM Youth Program (4-12 grades)
7 PM Adult Bible Study

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Christmas Concert



The Lesters
St. Louis' First Family
of Gospel Music

Tuesday December 13
7 p.m.

a free will offering will be received

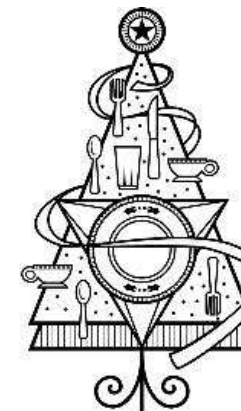
Community Christmas Service

December 18
6 p.m.

at First Baptist Church
Preacher: Mark Canada



visit us on the web at www.claycitychristian.com



Holiday Dinner

December 7
at 6 pm

bring a dish to share and your own table service



Christmas Eve Service
5:00 p.m.

Attendance

November 6	66
November 13	79
November 20	64
November 27	71

From Darrel's Desk . . .



Can you believe that Christmas is just around the corner? It is! So this month's edition of the Clay City Chronicle has announcements about a lot of special programs and special services that are coming up in December. Please mark your calendar so that none of these events slip past you and you find yourself saying, "Oh, I had intended to go to that and I just forgot."

I also want you to make it a priority to be in church every Sunday so that you can enjoy the fellowship of your church family, so you can praise God in song, so you can learn more from His Word and so you can remember His Son with the Lord's Supper. You know, the Bible never tells us to remember Jesus' birth but it commands us to remember his death.

There is nothing wrong with pulling out all the stops to make a special season out of Christmas. The whole world turns its eyes and its heart toward Bethlehem and to the birth of the Messiah. The church would be missing out on a great opportunity if it didn't celebrate Christmas. The celebration of Christmas, however, is no substitute for faithful worship each week.

In Hebrews, chapter 10, the author wrote: "Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds. Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching."

"Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing." Just because some people have become lax in their participation in the church is no reason for you to become lax. "And all the more as you see the Day approaching." "The Day" means the day of the Lord's return. Most of us can tell that the signs of the times are pointing to the Lord's return. Now, more than ever, we should be found faithful...every week.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

- 4 Drake Koester
- 6 Crystal Snell
- 10 Darrel Brandon
- 12 Josephine Harris
- 15 Leon Travis
- 19 Darrel & Sandy Brandon
- 19 Leona Laughton



- 20 Larry Brant
- 26 Steve Spitzner
- 28 Larry & Marilyn Brant
- 28 Melissa Riley Rankin
- 29 Roger & Teresa Herdes
- 30 Bill Staser
- 31 Keith Patridge

Thank you for the beautiful flowers, but even more for your love and support - be it words, hugs or food - received from this church family. You are so appreciated!



Lou Anna Brant
The Johnnie Brant Family

Thank you Oil Belt volunteers - Because of you young people were able to journey into God's word and learn more about Our Savior and His love. Talk about an "Amazing Road Trip"! Again, thank You and God Bless!

Oil Belt Camp Staff

I appreciate so much the opportunity extended to me from Clay City Christian Church to preach for your revival. The worship was inspiring, the fellowship was encouraging, and the food was incredible. I'm praying that God will finish the work that was started during our meeting. I appreciate so much what you are attempting there for the Kingdom - especially your effort to reach the young people in Clay City. Thanks also for the generous honorarium for my preaching. What a blessing you have given me and my family. May God bless all of you.

Mike Courson

Thanksgiving Offering
\$21,314.65

donations will still be accepted from anyone wanting to contribute



We welcome Anthony Hemrich. He was baptized on November 27. He lives on S. 1st St. SE and gets mail at PO Box 304.



In His Service for December				
	4	11	18	25
Pastoral Prayer	Bill Staser	Darrel Brandon	Larry Brant	Gary Clark
Reading at the Lord's Table	Gary Clark	Dan Patridge	Wayne Harris	Darrel Brandon
Nursery volunteers	Sherrie Kittle	Deana McPeak	Romana Rodriquez	Evelyn Pierce
Communion Preparation	Kim Travis			