



Morningside
BAPTIST CHURCH

THE VISION



December 18, 2018

Double Your Tithe Commitment Day Sunday, January 6, 2019

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My commitment for the year 2019 is \$ _____.

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Sunday, January 6th

6:00 PM

* Doors open at 5:00 PM



John Yates
Minister of Education

Sunday was another blessed day at Morningside! Praise the Lord for His presence and goodness to us in Sunday School and Worship. The Sunday afternoon church-wide Christmas fellowship was a sweet time. I appreciate all those who made it possible: Brother Wayne, Brother David, the children's choir leaders, and everyone who set up, prepared food, served, or cleaned up. It was a wonderful time of fellowship and fun!

Schedule Changes

Please note the following schedule changes for the coming weeks:

- Wednesday, December 19 – No 6:00 p.m. activities; only Worship & Nursery at 7:00 p.m.
- Sunday, December 23 – No 4:30 p.m. activities
- Monday & Tuesday, December 24 & 25 – Church office closed
- Wednesday, December 26 – No 6:00 p.m. activities; regular activities at 7:00 p.m.
- Sunday, December 30 – No 4:30 p.m. activities
- Wednesday, January 2 – Regular Wednesday night activities resume
- Sunday, January 6 – No 4:30 p.m. activities; Greater Vision at 6:00 p.m.

Merry Christmas!

It's hard to believe, but Christmas is here again. Christmas is a wonderful time to remember and thank the Lord for His provision of Jesus Christ to purchase our salvation. Don't forget – when that sweet baby was born in Bethlehem and cradled in a manger, His destiny was to die on a cross to pay the price for our sins. The manger led to the cross and to the empty tomb. Without Christmas there could be no Easter and no eternal salvation. Praise the Lord for sending Jesus!

On behalf of the entire Yates family I want to wish each of you a wonderfully blessed Christmas. Thank you, sweet church family, for your kind words, beautiful cards, and gifts. God has been good to us and He has so often used you as His hands and voice. Thank you so much. We love you. Merry Christmas!

I look forward to studying the Bible and worshipping with you Sunday. If you're in town please plan to be present for Sunday School at 8:45 a.m. God bless you!

Brother John

Prayer - Outreach - Ministry - Fellowship



If Hope Had Never Come

Jeff Bumgardner & Joel Lindsey

*If angels had not filled the sky announcing Jesus birth,
If wise-men had not traveled far welcoming Him to earth,
If there had been no silent night, no brilliant star of guiding light,
No good news for the world to sing, no birth of a heavenly king,*

*If there had been no Christmas day, no baby in the straw,
If there were no glad tidings told of how he'd come for all,
There'd be no ransom for the lost, no Lamb to die upon the cross.
No stone would have been rolled away and there would be no empty grave.*

*Oh how we needed a Savior,
oh how He came down to us.
And now I just can't imagine
a world without God's love.*

*We would not have known the joy of dawn's redeeming grace.
If not for the love that shone from His precious newborn face.
God alone knows what He saved us from.
Imagine this world; imagine this life,
if Hope had never come.*



David Tew
Minister of Music

But Hope has come and it came to this earth in the form of a baby. This baby has changed the world and His name is Jesus. For that reason, we have a great reason to celebrate Christmas. If you know the Lord, then you have experienced “dawn’s redeeming grace.” Let us take time to remember and thank our Lord for His birth, death and resurrection.

The Tew family would like to thank each one of you for your many kind words and generous gifts, not only during this season, but throughout the entire year. You are a great blessing in our lives and we love you all. We would like to wish you a very blessed Christmas season and a wonderful New Year. God bless you!

Because He Lives,

Brother David

Dear Morningside Family,

What an awesome opportunity we were given to go serve and feed the victims of Hurricane Michael.

This would never have been possible if not for the outpouring of financial aid and prayer support from our family at Morningside. We were so richly blessed we were able to make 2 separate trips to Carrabelle, Mexico Beach & Panama City.

Please accept our heartfelt thanks to each and everyone!

God is Awesome!!

Love Steve & Mary Bridges



In earlier articles I have referenced the “busyness” that we all can find ourselves in during this time of year, but I have also found that if I train myself to “pause” and look for God’s glory and blessings I just might find them all around. It’s often those simple things like Sunday night watching those wonderful children dressed in costumes helping to illustrate the Biblical Christmas story; or seeing the excitement of the little ones as they had their picture made with the snowman; or watching our Pastor “laugh it up” while wearing a crazy Christmas blazer. I also looked around and saw many of the Youth helping to serve others by way of pouring drinks and cleaning up. I saw a diverse group of believers’ fellowshipping around the commonality of Jesus Christ. What a great Sunday night service!



John “Nipper” Nitschke
Youth Director

I was also blessed to have a group of Youth volunteers “Ring the Bell” for the Salvation Army Saturday: Chloe Lynn and Caylee Collins, Olivia Dixon, Wade Holton, Kaysie Goff, Mary Kathryn Nitschke, JD Smith, Lance Hannon, Pete and Annabelle Tillman, Nathan Strom and AJ Shaw all worked shifts throughout the day and raised over \$625 to help with the Salvation Army’s mission. Also a special thank you to some adults who helped chaperone the day: Robbie Dixon, Julie Holton and Christy Goff.

I am blessed beyond measure to work with such fine young people and dedicated volunteers. Wishing you and yours a very Merry Christmas!!

Keep the Faith,

Brother Nipper



YOUTH CORNER

DATES TO REMEMBER FOR THE YOUTH:

- **Wednesday, December 19: Meet in the Worship Center**
- **Friday, December 21: Youth Christmas Party**
- **Wednesday, December 26: Youth “Destination Unknown”**
- **Monday, December 31: Youth “Ring in the New Year”**

Church Records December 16, 2018

Worship Service

Morning Worship	343
Nursery	<u>22</u>
Total	365

Sunday School Attendance

Preschool	27
Children	40
Youth	31
College & Career	23
Adults	<u>209</u>
Total	330

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December 23 - 29, 2018

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