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Rev. Tom Rives
Pastor

**Carrollwood
Baptist is
our home..**

A Word from Pastor Tom.....

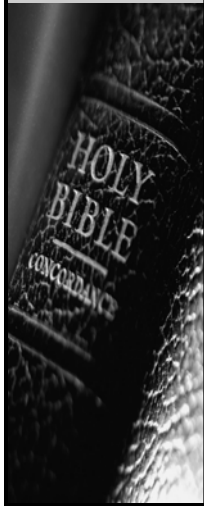
Let me begin this article by saying thank you, to our church family, for providing the Sabbatical during September and October. We traveled over 8,500 miles, through 21 states and visited many relatives, friends, former CBC members, and got to see some of our country for the very first time. Thank you for your prayers, especially for Dianne's physical stamina to make the trip. God was gracious in allowing both of us the strength to make such a journey. We got to visit the four churches where we served prior to moving to Tampa 28 years ago, (Whitehaven Baptist Church in Memphis, TN, First Baptist Church of Cleveland, TN, First Baptist Church of Hurst, TX and Red Bank Baptist Church in Chattanooga, TN). The question that has been asked several times since our return is "Well, are you going to retire or will you be around a little while longer?" While we will still meet with our Exit Strategy Committee to discuss the what, when and how our exit will take place, right now I do not feel the urgency to retire. For now, we will "keep on keeping on" and continue to look for the exact right time for my family and for our church to proceed with our retirement. By the way, Dianne and I are not going anywhere when that day comes. Carrollwood Baptist is our home and will continue be our home for all the remaining days ahead.

Check out this edition of the GNL. December is always a busy month. I don't know about you, but I have to plan ahead and do some juggling to get involved in as many of the events as possible. Then, just when the Christmas Holidays wind down Upward Basketball starts and 2012 gets into full gear. I just got used to writing 2011 on my checks and now I have to start remembering to write 2012. Where has the time gone? You will notice as you look through this GNL that some changes are taking place for 2012. Look at the back page and see what will happen as it relates to this publication. Also, we are not having Cross Training or 5-H Club during the year. Instead, we are trying to provide more family time on Sunday evenings and planning special events every 4-6 weeks.

Someone commented the other day "you're having church on Christmas Day!" and my response was a resounding YES. If there is any day we ought to have church, it should be when Christmas falls on Sunday. We will have one service at 10:00 am with a Live Nativity taking place in our Worship Center. There will be no choir or nursery that morning, since we want all of our families to sit together that day. Come dressed as casual or as formal as you would like. The last time Christmas fell on Sunday some of our families brought their children in their pajamas while others put on their new Christmas outfits. Either way will be fine. We will have a great service with donkeys, sheep and goats in our midst, and with Jesus as the focus of all we do.

Yours in Christ,
Pastor Tom

Sermon Series



- Dec 4** The Mission to Which We Are Called
Matthew 28:18-20
- Dec 11** Worship Choir Christmas Music
- Dec 18** Christmas- A Time of Joy
Luke 2:20
- Dec 25** Lesson From the Nativity
(Live Nativity in the Life Center)
- Jan 1** Fruit of the Spirit - Love
Galatians 5:22-23
- Jan 8** Fruit of the Spirit - Joy
Galatians 5:22-23
- Jan 15** Fruit of the Spirit - Peace
Galatians 5:22-23
- Jan 22** Fruit of the Spirit - Patience
Galatians 5:22-23
- Jan 29** Fruit of the Spirit - Kindness
Galatians 5:22-23

Manor Care Ministry

January 8, 2012

2:00 pm

Youth

Manor Care Ministry

February 5, 2012

2:00 pm

Life Matters

Wednesday Family Supper 5:00 - 6:30 pm

Dec 7th: Chili / Grilled Cheese

Dec 14th: Christmas Dinner

Dec 21st No Meal

Dec 28th: No Meal



Jan 4th: Roast Beef

Jan 11th: Fried Chicken

Jan 18th: Pizza & Salad

Jan 25th: Clean out the Freezer

Deacons and Wives Dinner

January 8, 2012 - 6:00pm

All Deacons (active or inactive) and their wives are invited to our dinner planned just for them. It will take place in Fellowship Hall and reservations need to be made by Wednesday, January 4th. We will be reassigning Family Ministry Groups for 2012-13.



Family Ministries

CARROLLWOOD
BAPTIST CHURCH

Mrs. Kristi Nalls

Kids' News

Reminder

There will be no RA's or GA's on Wednesday, Dec. 7.
The children's choir will be having a 2 hour practice.



Churchwide Christmas Party



Join us on Wednesday, Dec. 14
from 5:00-6:30 pm

for dinner and a visit from someone special!
The children's choirs will perform, beginning at 6:30 pm.
Don't miss it!

Mark Your Calendars!
Children's Camp (Completed 2nd-5th grade):
June 18-22, 2012
VBS: July 15-19, 2012

H.U.G.S. (Holy, Useful Gal Squad)

Ladies, join us on Saturday, January 21, and learn how to ORGANIZE your life!
Robin Singleton's sister, Sandi Davis, from Sandi's Organizing Solutions,
will instruct us on various ways to organize.
She's been here before and was a big HIT! Times to be announced.
Visit her website @ www.sandisorganizingsolutions.com

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Women on Mission meet
Tues., Dec. 6 & Tues., Jan. 3
10:00 am.



Praise & Worship

Rev. Brian Jones

CARROLLWOOD
BAPTIST CHURCH

“I will sing of the steadfast love of the LORD, forever; with my mouth I will make known your faithfulness to all generations.” Psalm 89:1

Important Dates

Sat. December 03, 2011

Music Ministry Christmas Party 7 pm in Carpenter Hall

Tues. December 06, 2011

Tech. Rehearsal for Christmas

Wed.. December 07, 2011

2hr. Combined Rehearsal for Christmas & Children's Choir Rehearsal 6-8 pm

Thur. December 08, 2011

Christmas Dress Rehearsal 6:30-8:00 pm

Sun. December 11, 2011

Sing Gloria! in AM Worship

Wed. December 14, 2011

Christmas Party & Children's Christmas Performance

Sun. December 18, 2011

Christmas Caroling

Sun. December 25, 2011

Live Nativity in AM Worship

A CONCERT of WORSHIP for CHRISTMAS

SING GLORIA!



A. M. Worship December 11, 2011

Created by
DAVID HAMILTON

Census Time in Bethlehem

A Children's Musical About the Names of Jesus

Created by Pamela Vandewalker and Cherry Garasi

Wednesday, Dec. 14 @ 6:30 pm

Music Ministry Birthdays

December & January

12/06: Sherlock Andrews

12/06: Judy Knotts

12/07: Chip Broadwell

12/17: Jessi Wiggins

12/31: Charles Fults

01/10: Del Garside

01/15: Virginia DeWan

01/17: Hannah Kurial

01/25: Jane Gibson





Student Ministry

Rev. Justin Garver

CARROLLWOOD
BAPTIST CHURCH

Please be praying for this Upward Season. You can specifically pray for safety and that this would be the time that God uses all of us to spread His love and the good news of the Gospel. I am looking forward to seeing how God is going to work in the lives of those participating in Upward this year; from players, to volunteers, to coaches. Thank you for your support and I am looking toward a great season!



Upward Dates

January 3 - First Practice

January 14 - 1st Game



Winter Jam

There is a great lineup at Winter Jam this year. The cost as usual is \$10 at the door. It is on Sat., January 14. So make plans to be there. There will be a sign-up and more information as it gets closer.



**Pick Up
Basketball
Starts
January 9th**



Starting January 1, we will be issuing a new challenge to be faithful in reading our Bibles. We will be encouraging our students to read one chapter in Proverbs everyday. There are 31 days in January and there are 31 chapters in Proverbs. I hope all of you are up to the challenge. Not only that, but we are challenging you to put the verse that sticks out to you on your Facebook status.



Education & Senior Adults

CARROLLWOOD
BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Bill Wester



Mens Prayer Breakfast at IHOP

Saturday, January 21, we will meet at IHOP on Dale Mabry at 7:00 am for breakfast, prayer and fellowship.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

JOY Fellowship
Thursday, January 19

Bring your favorite potluck dish
to share for bellyship!

6:00-8:00 PM
Carpenter Hall



WASHINGTON DC - OUR NATIONS CAPITOL

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11—WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2012

MOTORCOACH TRANSPORTATION AND MUCH MORE!!

\$650 TOTAL PRICE, DOUBLE OCCUPANCY

\$75 RESERVATION FEE. SEE PASTOR BILL FOR A FLYER

Nursery Volunteers & Children's Church Workers

<p><u>Dec. 4 & Jan. 1</u> Kim Koletic Coordinator</p> <p><u>10:30 am</u> Kim Bistany Karen Bistany Sarah Musser Miranda Musser Christy Purdy Allison Bistany Jennifer White Dulce Agosto Christian Hamby Mark Boghich Caroline Hamby Stephen Ivey</p> <p><u>Sunday Evenings</u> <u>December</u> 5-H Club</p> <p><u>Wed. 12/7 & 1/4</u> Julie Garver Volunteer Needed Robin Singleton Vicki Musser</p>	<p><u>Dec. 11 & Jan. 8</u> Mary Ann Hand Coordinator</p> <p><u>10:30 am</u> Penny Varner Rebecca Palencia Heidi Barlow Jenna Barlow Ady Park Kyra Clemons Diane Fulp Emily Boyce Jessi Wiggins Carol Smith Nathan Ivey Angelica Palencia</p> <p><u>Sunday Evenings</u> <u>December</u> 5-H Club</p> <p><u>Wed. 12/14 & 1/11</u> Susan Wester Brandon Kummelman Madalena Whitney Diane Ivey</p>	<p><u>Dec. 18 & Jan. 15</u> Joyce Jones Coordinator</p> <p><u>10:30 am</u> Anne Pickering Hannah Kurial Emily Kurial Alisha Hyslop Debbie Swindle Nicole Swindle Austin George Robin Singleton Chelsea Singleton Joe Circhirillo Teri Circhirillo Kaitlyn Swindle</p> <p><u>Sunday Evenings</u> <u>December</u> Christmas Caroling</p> <p><u>Wed. 12/21 & 1/18</u> Lynda Gano Volunteer Needed Kim Fults Becky Lutz</p>	<p><u>Jan. 22</u> Sarah Thornbury Coordinator</p> <p><u>10:30 am</u> Liz Hill Edith Sammons Jim Davis Vicki Musser Jennifer Rives Hayley Kummelman Amanda Strainer Kara Broadwell Cherie Andrews Kelsea Andrews Karla Pippins Brandon Kummelman</p> <p><u>Wed. 1/25</u> Joyce Jones Hayley Kummelman Barbara Nordella Karen Nickell</p>	<p><u>Jan. 29</u> Volunteer Needed Coordinator</p> <p><u>10:30 am</u> Cindy Lewandowski Sarah Musser Beverly Jewesak Tim Jewesak Miranda Musser Janet Roberts Josh Roberts Jared Roberts Kevin Layman Jenni Layman Steve Houck Suzanne Houck Chase Nalls</p> <p><u>Wed. 2/1</u> Susan Wester Alisha Hyslop Larry Mathis Volunteer Needed</p>
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NEW MEMBERS

**By Baptism: Darin Davis By Statement: Kris Odom and Tracie Batten
By Letter: Douglas & Cheryl Earle, Christina Odom, & Faye Fitton**

FROM OUR CHURCH FAMILY

The Carrollwood Baptist Church staff and family would like to express their sincere Christian love and sympathy to Louise Stanford in the passing of her cousin, Wendell Taylor; to Jerry and Kay Hall & family in the passing of their daughter in law's father; to the Zugbi family in the passing of Jahre's aunt, Judy; to the Davis family in the passing of Ann's mother; to Pastor Tom and Dianne in the passing of close friend, L. G. Sartain's wife, Claryece; to the Goss & Katz families and to Mr. Vernon Ayscue, in the passing of a mother and wife, Juanita Ayscue.



Special Christmas Events

Worship Choir Christmas Music

December 11th - 10:30 am

Christmas Dinner - Christmas Party

Children's Christmas Music

December 14th - 5:00-7:30pm

Christmas Caroling

December 18th - 6:00 pm

Christmas Eve Vesper Service

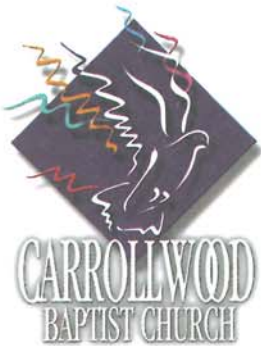
December 24th

5:30-6:30 pm (come and go Lord's Supper)

6:30-7:30 pm (Candlelight Service with Lord's Supper)

Christmas Service with Live Nativity

December 25th - 10:00 am



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Special Notice

Concerning the Good News Letter

The Good News Letter is changing for 2012. It will become an online-only publication and will be produced 4 times a year. Our members will have a chance to sign-up for an email notification of when the GNL is online. Those without internet service will have a chance to pick-up a printed copy in our Life Center and those of you who are out of town can receive the email notification by sending your email address to us:

churchoffice@carrollwoodbaptist.org