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# Fairview Baptist Church

## *Our Church - Illuminating the Community!*

# *The Fairviewan*

## **From the Pastor's Desk —**

*My beloved members,*

Heartiest greetings in the wonderful name of Jesus! Praise God for one hundred and two years of ministry in the Oklahoma City community. Each year provides us with an opportunity to look back, to see ourselves as we are, and to look into the future.



Our history is a chronicle of the inspiration, dedication and hard work of the Pastors and members as they were guided by the Holy Spirit to organize, build, support and serve the church.

May the Lord help us to continue the sacrifices and services needed to make real His Kingdom in the lives of men. This is a time of a new beginning and a time when we can re-evaluate whatever we are doing for our people. It is also a time when our leadership should take stock of themselves and see where the weaknesses are and where new strength can be added.

Excitement and willingness on the part of our people is the key to success or failure, whichever the case may be. Without success we cannot impress this community and without excitement and willingness of our people we will not be a success as a church.

As your Pastor, I want to be as kind and considerate as possible but I also want to see this church do what its mission is supposed to be.

I am of the opinion that there are enough Christian people who are interested to do a good job in all Ministries of this church to turn it upside down for God.

The Lord has truly blessed us as a Church Family. Therefore, *we go forward into our future, confident our great expectations will give birth to even greater achievements!*

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DO YOU HAVE A PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP  
WITH JESUS CHRIST?

If you believe in your heart that Jesus Is Lord, the Christ, the Savior, the Son of the Living God, and you are willing to turn from sin to God, then receive Jesus Christ now by faith and pray this prayer:

Lord Jesus I am a sinner.  
Forgive me of all my sins, come into my heart  
and save me.

I do now confess you as my risen Lord.  
Thank you Lord Jesus for saving me. AMEN



## **Fishes & Loaves Ministry**

NOVEMBER 2011

# Homes Served ..... 330  
# of Children in the Home ..... 524  
# of Adults in the Home ..... 477  
# of home deliveries to sick/shut-in .. 17  
# off Evangelism Contacts ..... 26

*But He saves the needy from the sword,  
From the mouth of the mighty, and from  
their hand, and injustice shuts her mouth.  
So the poor have hope, and injustice  
shuts her mouth. (Job 5:15-16)*

THERESA KIRKLIN, MINISTRY LEADER

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## FAIRVIEW PROVIDES A THANKSGIVING DINNER FOR OVER A THOUSAND !



**ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19**, the Fairview Baptist Church held the monthly Fishes and Loaves Food Give-away. Over a thousand persons were able to enjoy turkey and the trimmings provided by the Fairview Missionary Baptist Church for Thanksgiving.

This Ministry had over 30 regular volunteers, along with Fairview's Drill Team and others of the Youth Ministry, Fairview's Men's Ministry, The Omega Psi Phi Fraternity from Langston University, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority from Oklahoma University, Sigma Lam Beta Fraternity from Oklahoma University, Phi Beta Sigma from Oklahoma University and the AKA who gave of their time to aid the community. There were students from Shidler Elementary and some young men whose parents wanted them to be a part of giving back to the community.

The atmosphere was full of love and thanksgiving to our Heavenly Father who always make certain we have enough food for everyone in need.

The Fishes and Loaves Ministry and the recipients hear a spirit-filled message each month that is usually delivered by our own Rev. Derrick Walters. We were blessed on November 19 with a Thanksgiving message by Youth Pastor Rev. Derek Nettles that assured us God can use everybody and He uses broken vessels to carry out His plan; sometimes you have to make it on broken pieces, bad habits or missed opportunities.

The Fishes and Loaves Food Give-away is held each month on the 3rd or 4th Saturday from

10am - 12pm, or until the food is gone, and the dedicated Ministry workers are always present and willing to serve. The Ministry is led by Sisters Teresa Hunter and Theresa Kirklin as Co-Directors. Essential elements that bears mentioning is Brother Charles Hardrick, Men's Ministry Director, and the men who have been instrumental in making certain that some of the men of the church are available to meet the truck to unload the food for distribution and assist in setup. Another arm of the Ministry is the deliveries to sick and shut-ins, which is done primarily by Brother Carlos and Sister Maxine Brown and Brother Ardis and Sister Mary Franklin. Many others workers, too many to name, faithfully show up, month after month, to give of themselves for this cause. Other Fairview members come from time to time to assist. Without the physical and monetary support and prayers of the Fairview Church Family, this Ministry would not be able to be the blessing that it has been to so many families over the past years.

This has been an exceptionally blessed year for this Ministry and we are thankful to God and to our Pastor, Rev. John A. Reed, Jr., who has a vision for this church and is a light in this community. Thank you to all the workers for your untiring commitment and to the Church Family all that you've done and are doing. We invite you to come and share with us.

Theresa Kirklin, staff reporter

Photos on back cover—courtesy of Levi McCullough of Levisphotoz





# JR Inspirational Choir Musical - 2011



The JR Inspirational Choir held its annual musical at Fairview on Sunday, November 6 at 6:00 PM. The choir did a celebration march into the choir stand and each choir member looked eager to make a joyful noise unto the Lord. After marching in, they continued with the lyrics of the high spirited selection and continued to get their praise on in the choir stand.

The joy of the choir members permeated the room. The atmosphere was highly charged and full of praises. There is a song the choir has performed with the following lyrics, *"The blessing of the Lord is here; the blessing of the Lord is here. I can feel it in the atmosphere; the blessing of the Lord is Here!!"* This is the best description of this year's musical as the choir members were on one accord to Praise the Lord!

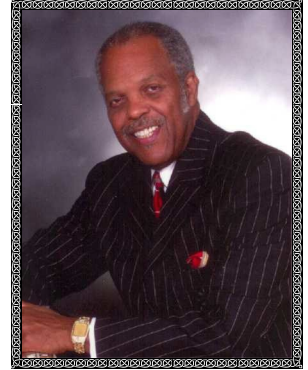
The musical was dedicated to the men of God who proclaim His Word in the pulpit. As several of the community's clergy were present for the musical, a primary objective of the musical was to be an encouragement to preachers to continue to Illuminate the Community in the ministry of God's Word. We were all truly encouraged by this fine choir ushering in the presence of the Lord.

Cora Kemp-Epps, Staff Reporter



## *To The Fairview Family*

As the Christmas holiday approaches, I am reminded of friends like you who make Fairview so special and my work as a Pastor so rewarding. It is truly an honor to have all of you as a part of our Ministry. I appreciate your faithful service as we serve the Lord together through the Fairview Church.



The Fairview Family is in my prayers during the holiday season. I pray that God will surround you with the peace and comfort that come from only Him ... and may the warmth and love of friends and loved ones help make this a special season of celebration.

I am reminded of the angel's words recorded in Luke 2:10-11 *"Fear not; for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord."* My prayer is that you reflect on the birth of Christ, you will feel the inner joy that is the real meaning of Christmas.

Wife and I wish you a very blessed holiday season.

In celebration of Him,

Your Pastor



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY, DECEMBER!!

We extend birthday greetings to the following members of our Church Family and friends known to be born in the month of December.

**THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH:**  
*"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."* Luke 2:14

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Pat Edwards ..... 12/ 1  
Edward E. Johnson ..... 12/ 1  
Douglas Russell ..... 12/ 1  
Lola Fields ..... 12/ 2  
Rhakie McDonald ..... 12/ 2  
Chandra Peoples ..... 12/ 2  
Carlvin Roland ..... 12/ 2  
Bobby Simmons ..... 12/ 2  
Makalah Tanksley ..... 12/ 2  
Lonnie Smith, Jr. .... 12/ 3  
Kobe Bryer ..... 12/ 4  
Vandell Moseley ..... 12/ 4  
Denise Baker ..... 12/ 5  
Alexandria McDonald ..... 12/ 5  
Nerissa Gaines ..... 12/ 5  
Charles Hardrick ..... 12/ 5  
Michael Herd, Jr. .... 12/ 5  
Robert Jackson ..... 12/ 5  
Kaubriana Walter ..... 12/ 5  
Brynda Griffith ..... 12/ 6  
Harvey Hawkins, Jr. .... 12/ 6  
Sherene Malcom ..... 12/ 6  
Maureen Burden ..... 12/ 7  
Candice Ellis ..... 12/ 7  
Pat Gaddis ..... 12/ 7  
Marquiest Heard ..... 12/ 7  
Patrice Hinton ..... 12/ 7

Shai Jackson ..... 12/ 7  
Victor Brown ..... 12/ 8  
Adrian Govan ..... 12/ 8  
Marva Ward ..... 12/ 8  
Catrice Brown ..... 12/ 9  
Victoria Cole ..... 12/ 9  
Chris Holloway ..... 12/ 9  
Dorothy Melvin ..... 12/ 9  
Darryl Oliver ..... 12/ 9  
Keisha Seamster ..... 12/ 9  
Dominique Bailey ..... 12/10  
Keith Edmond ..... 12/10  
Debra Edwards ..... 12/10  
Leo Mucker ..... 12/10  
Mattie Nichols ..... 12/10  
Teresa Austin ..... 12/11  
Candace Belton ..... 12/11  
Shanane Brady ..... 12/11  
James Caligone IV ..... 12/11  
Brandi Davis ..... 12/11  
Karen Gaines ..... 12/12  
Daisy Johnson ..... 12/12  
Shirley Polson ..... 12/12  
Angela Robertson ..... 12/12  
Taylor Bryant ..... 12/13  
Bobbie Jones ..... 12/13  
Sherell Owen ..... 12/13  
Rosalyn Thomas ..... 12/13  
Kelli Richey ..... 12/14  
Donald Scott ..... 12/14  
Kenneth Fletcher ..... 12/15  
Patricia Jacobs ..... 12/15  
Michelle Sessum ..... 12/15  
Shawna Turner ..... 12/15  
Janelle Young ..... 12/15  
Marvin Blackmon ..... 12/17  
Denitra Garrett ..... 12/17  
Brent Mitchell ..... 12/17  
Kyeisha Sample ..... 12/17  
Cozetta Heard ..... 12/18  
Willa Nero ..... 12/18  
Kathy Stepeny ..... 12/18  
Mary Taylor ..... 12/18  
Denise Townsend ..... 12/18  
Ardis Franklin, Jr. .... 12/19  
Darrell Michael Fuller ..... 12/19  
Lance Green ..... 12/19  
Mario Hawkins ..... 12/19  
Lance Jackson ..... 12/19  
Rodrick Johnson ..... 12/19

Trina Marshall ..... 12/19  
Tyree' Reed ..... 12/19  
Betty Sue Rideaux ..... 12/19  
Leroy Tilford ..... 12/19  
Jean Davis ..... 12/20  
Zachariah Poe ..... 12/20  
Michelle Small ..... 12/20  
Patricia Johnson ..... 12/21  
Darcel Thompson ..... 12/21  
Genetia Wagoner ..... 12/21  
Alfred Darling ..... 12/22  
Walter Ellison ..... 12/22  
Yvonne Johnson ..... 12/22  
Lakresha Moore ..... 12/22  
Aaron Wilson ..... 12/22  
Reginald Miller, Jr. .... 12/24  
Sharon Edwards ..... 12/25  
Keisha Hines ..... 12/25  
Deneen Reed ..... 12/25  
Nannette Thomas ..... 12/25  
Tracy Banks ..... 12/26  
Vickson McDonald ..... 12/27  
Kayla Hawkins ..... 12/27  
Charlene Carter ..... 12/28  
Trakeyah Haywood ..... 12/28  
Antwan Hunter ..... 12/28  
Dallas Moore ..... 12/28  
Ryan Parker ..... 12/28  
James Wilson ..... 12/29  
Ronnie Chamberlain ..... 12/30  
Nathan Long ..... 12/30  
Gail Ellison ..... 12/31  
Tammy Fields ..... 12/31  
Evonnda Fields ..... 12/31  
Bridget Smith ..... 12/31

### *Welcome, New Members*

We WELCOME the following who have recently requested membership with us. **Please greet them and welcome them to our Family!**

*Traci Bonhomme*



## OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORSHIP AND FELLOWSHIP —

### 102nd Church Anniversary & Homecoming - December 4

Today, *December 4*, we are celebrating our **102nd Church Anniversary and Homecoming!** Activities for the day include: Sunday School at 8:30 a.m. and Morning Worship at 10:00.

The Church Family offer a special welcome to Pastor Jeff Mitchell and the Tabitha Church Family who are sharing with us during our 10:00a.m. worship period. Rev. Mitchell will bring the message and music will be rendered by Tabitha's Music Ministry.

We will have our Fellowship Dinner in the Donald Burns Fellowship Hall immediately following the 10:00 worship. We welcome our guests to dine with us.

If you are a former member, welcome home! If you are a member of Fairview that have been inactive or absent, welcome home! If you live in the city and do not have a church home, we invite you to become a part of our family. Come and join us, grow with us and go with us as we move forward to illuminate the community!

### December Staff Meeting

**There will be no Staff Meeting in the month of December.**

### December 7—Noon-day Worship

We will have our last Monthly Noon-day Worship of the year on Wednesday, December 7. Please plan to join with the Church Family and the community at 12 noon as we bring to a close another year of service.

### Annual Church Conference—December 7

Fairview's Annual Church Conference will be held on Wednesday night, December 7, at 7:00. This is the time that is set aside to review the current year's activities and to recommend and adopt plans for the coming church year. All leaders are to be present. The meeting is open to all Fairview members.

**Note: The Pastor has asked that all Deacons would meet with him at 6:00 p.m.**

### Church End of Year Holiday—December 8–30, 2011

The Pastor has declared December 8 through 30 as the church's holiday. There will be no Ministry meetings held during this period. **WE WILL MAINTAIN OUR REGULAR WORSHIP SCHEDULE ON SUNDAYS.** All ministry workers are to be on duty for each worship period.

We will resume our regular schedule beginning with the Annual Prayer Bowl on December 31. All officers, staff and members are to on duty and members are asked to be present.

### Sunday—December 11

On Sunday, December 11, Minister Phil Larson of PrayerMetro will be the guest preacher for Fairview's 10:00a.m. worship period. He has ministered in the Oklahoma City metro for over 30 years and includes service at Cathedral of Praise, National Center for Fathering, Christian Businessmen Committee, the Oklahoma Family Policy Council and over 150 congregations. He currently works with PrayerMetro, a cooperative ministry focusing on a magnitude of prayer networks. More on Minister Larson is available at [www.PrayerMetro.com](http://www.PrayerMetro.com).

### Christmas Food Give-away - December 17

The December Food Give-away will be Saturday, December 17, beginning at 10:00a.m. Fairview members are encouraged to participate. The ministry provides a variety of healthy foods, fresh and staples, to assist in stretching your food budget for the month.

Seniors or shut-in members should notify the Ministry Leaders or church office if you need your food delivered. For information on eligibility, contact Sisters Theresa Kirklin or Teresa Hunter.

### City-wide Christmas Service - December 26

This year's City-wide Christmas Service, sponsored by the Baptist Ministers' Association of Oklahoma City, will be held on Monday, December 26, at the Faith Memorial Baptist Church.

Rev. J. L. Franklin, Pastor of St. John's

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## PASTOR REED TO BE HONORED AT MACU 60TH COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

The Board of Trustees of Mid America Christian University (MACU) unanimously voted to bestow upon Rev. John A. Reed, Jr. the Doctor of Divinity degree during the 60th Commencement Exercises of Mid-America Christian University (MACU) to be held Saturday, December 10, 2011, at 2:00 p.m.



MACU President John Fozard explained: "The degree recognizes a lifetime of superlative public service and impactful leadership. A board cannot bestow any higher award than this when wanting to honor one's life's accomplishments. For this reason, the Board of Trustees at Mid-America Christian University gives out such degrees very selectively and sparingly."

The Honorable Todd Lamb, Lieutenant Governor of Oklahoma, will present the commencement address to graduates, guests and visitors, and the MACU academic community. During the exercises, degrees will be conferred upon 132 graduates representing 25 degree programs.

Rev. John A. Reed, Jr., has served more than 50 years as a minister of the Gospel of Jesus Christ and for over 48 years as Pastor of Fairview Baptist Church. He has also served and continue to serve in a number of leadership positions in the religious community and civil community, including: President of the Oklahoma Baptist State Congress of Christian Education; Moderator of the East Zion Consolidated District Association; President of the Oklahoma Baptist State Convention; 5th Vice President of the National Baptist Congress of Christian Education, an affiliate of the National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc.; Vice President for the Western Region of the National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc.; President of the Baptist Ministers Association of Oklahoma City; President of the Concerned Clergy for Spiritual Renewal; President of the ,nts for the 7.5 million member body. He was given the responsibility of leadership over the Western Region, presently constituted by the following states and territories: Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Kansas, Nevada, Nebraska, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Utah, and Washington. In addition to his ministry, Rev. Reed, alongside friends and colleagues, launched The Oklahoma City Herald, a progressive newspaper for the African American community that has become one of the most widely read weekly publications in Oklahoma. Rev. Reed serves as the Herald's editor.

The 60th Commencement Exercises of Mid-America Christian University are open to the public and begin at 2:00 p.m. at Gaulke Activity Center on the university campus, 3500 SW 119th Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Seating is limited.

## A Holy Land Experience

—By M. Patterson, Editor

On November 7, 2011, 14 travelers from Oklahoma, Texas and Utah met in Chicago, Illinois, to begin what most would term "an experience of a lifetime" — a trip to The Holy Land. The host of the group was Rev. J. A. Reed, Jr., Pastor of Fairview and Vice President—Western Region of the National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc.

Eight of the travelers were from Fairview: Pastor Reed and Sister Pat Reed, Rita Wommack, Teresa Hill, Maeleatha Patterson, Lola Fields, and Lonnie and Rosie Hunt. Also from the Oklahoma City area were Joyce Thompson, Betty Winters and Charlie Mae Sumpter, all from Tabitha Baptist Church, and Effie Owens from Loving St. James Baptist Church in Spencer. The Oklahoma City group left Will Rogers Airport at 7:05 a.m. and met the remaining two, Rev. Larry Mouton of Crockett, Texas, and Lula Brock of Ogden, Utah, in Chicago.

A bond developed among the "pilgrims" at Chicago O'Hare as we waited for the flight that would take us to JFK New York. After arriving at JFK, we went through the last phase of security checks to board the plane for a 10 1/2 hour flight to our destination. The flight presented none of the anxieties anticipated by this writer but instead added new experiences, along with some moments of excitement!

We arrived in Tel Aviv on Tuesday evening, November 8 (Israel time). Israel is 8 hours ahead of CST. As we left the airport to board our tour bus for the hotel, all concepts of time had left me. I left OKC on the morning of the 7th, left New York in the evening of the 7th, and it was now the next day, the 8th—and dark! We were met at the airport in Tel Aviv by our tour guide and driver, Joseph and Mike, who became a part of our family for the remainder of our time in Israel.

The rest of the trip presented experiences and memories that will forever be a part of the lives of the group. Our first night's stay at Nathanya was at a hotel with balconies that overlooked the majestic Great Mediterranean Sea. The worst part of it was that we were only there one night and was not afforded the opportunity to enjoy the view from our porches. However, our first day's tour included a walk down to the Seaside where we were able to actually get in the water, collect seashells, sand, etc.

Each day was scheduled: wakeup call at 5:30 a.m.; breakfast at 6:30





a.m.; on the bus at 7:30 a.m. Lunch was along the tour route and back to our hotel for the night for dinner at 6:30 p.m.

Other hotel stays were two nights in Tiberias with a balcony view of the Sea of Galilee and the city. The last two nights were in the city of Jerusalem; our rooms gave us a picturesque view of the great city.

A **few** of the sites visited during the tour (not in the order listed) include Caesarea on the Mediterranean, Capernaum where we were able to walk among the ruins of the first century synagogue where Jesus preached and Caesarea Philippi where Peter made his confession. Nazareth (the hometown of Jesus) and the Church of Annunciation, marking the announcement of the forthcoming Son of God; in Bethlehem, the Church of the Nativity where we were able to kneel and touch the "Star of Bethlehem," which marks the exact spot where our Lord was born. There was the Mount of Beatitudes where Jesus gave the Sermon on the Mount.

We took a boat ride on the Sea of Galilee on a replica of the boat that Jesus was on when He calmed the storm. We went to the Jordan and some were baptized by Rev. Reed and Rev. Mouton. Some others that were not baptized were able to wade in the Jordan. We looked upon Mt. Hermon and Mt. Tabor, different schools of thought as to which is actually the Mount of Transfiguration.

One of the most moving experiences was to stand on Mt. Carmel, the site of Elijah's contest with the prophets of Baal, and look down in the valley upon the fields of Armageddon, the place of the last battle.

There were many other sites with each bringing its own impression and experience. We saw many ruins, places that we've studied and read about but to be able to see

them made what had been Biblical readings become alive.

I must mention the visit to the Western (Wailing) Wall and the walk along Via Dolorosa (the Way of the Cross), down the streets of Old Jerusalem, the route that Jesus took as He carried the cross. Some of the places we visited were said to possibly have been the places but some, the guide pointed out that it was certain to have been the place where our Lord actually walked, or taught, or performed miracles.

We visited the Garden Tomb and Golgotha (Place of the Skull). We participated in the Lord's Supper, issued by Pastor Reed. Other places of interest were visits to the Dead Sea, JFK Memorial, Martin Luther King Memorial, and to see the Dead Sea Scrolls. We shopped and some rode camels!

Our visits and experiences are too numerous to mention. I spoke with some of the tour group and most gave the same response to their experience. It's something that a person has to experience for **themselves. It has strengthen their reading and understanding of the Scriptures because of the ability to say, "I saw that" or I was there.** Overall, it brought about a spiritual, mental and physical renewal. We walked where Jesus walked, we ate the foods that were typical of those times and there were constant reminders of being in "Bible country," and seeing the reality of the scriptures. A common statement was "it was a life-changing experience."

On early Monday morning, shortly after midnight, we began our trip back: Tel Aviv to JFK (New York) to Chicago

O'Hare, where said our goodbyes to as a group, and made our way back to our respective homes. Thanks to all for your prayers and, above all, thank God for granting us the opportunity to make the trip and His traveling grace while we were gone.

Should the opportunity be extended again, I pray to be able to once again make the make the trip.



## OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORSHIP AND FELLOWSHIP —

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Missionary Baptist Church, Lawton, will bring the Christmas message. Service begins at 11:00a.m. Pastor Reed serves as President of the BMA. Fairview members are asked to support the service and to take part in this great worship celebration of Jesus' birth.

### 31st Annual Prayer Bowl - December 31

Fairview will hold it's 31st Annual Prayer Bowl on December 31, beginning at 6:00p.m. This service is hosted by Fairview and shared with a over-capacity crowd made up of the Christian community at large. You won't want to miss this worship opportunity. The schedule will be available on the church website and bulletin board.

### *Pastor's Breakfast*

*Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Reed, Jr., invite  
you to be a guest at their Annual  
Pastor's Family Breakfast, which will  
be held on Sunday Morning,  
January 1, 2012,  
from 7:45 - 8:30 a.m., in the  
Donald Burns Fellowship Hall  
of the Fairview Baptist Church.*

*Your presence is desired*

### Scholarship Day & College Connection Day—January 8

January 8 is Scholarship Day and College Connection Day at Fairview. We are asking that all of our college students would strive to be present that day.

### Staff Meeting—January 9

In consideration of the New Year's Holiday observance on January 2, our January Staff Meeting will be held on the second Monday evening, **January 9**, at 6:00p.m. All Staff and Leaders are to be present.

### Music Ministry Meeting—January 9

The Music Ministry meeting will be held at 7:00p.m., immediately following the Church Staff Meeting.

### **THE CHURCH IN PRAYER**

**DURING THE MONTH OF JANUARY, OUR FOCUS WILL BE ON PRAYER. THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL EVENTS HAVE BEEN SCHEDULED:**

#### Saturday, January 7—Annual Prayer Seminar

The Prayer Ministry, led by Dr. Patricia F. Reed, Prayer Coordinator, will sponsor the church's Annual Prayer Seminar on Saturday, January 7. More information on the Seminar will be available in the near future. Please mark your calendars for the event.

#### Wednesday night, January 11—Super Prayer Meeting, Fairview

We will have our 5th Super Prayer Meeting on Wednesday night, January 11, at 7:00 p.m. The church family is asked to meet at the church for a night of family prayer.

### January 2012 Fairviewan Publication Delayed

The January 2012 issue of *The Fairviewan* will be available on the second Sunday, January 8, instead of the first Sunday. This is necessary to allow Newsletter staff persons time to participate in the church vacation. **Deadline for news for the January 2012 issue is the third Sunday in December (December 18).**



**PLEASE READ!!**

*Join Us!!*  
**Noonday Worship Service**

**JOIN US DECEMBER 7, 2011**  
**12NOON – 1:00 P.M.**



Rev. J. A. Reed, Jr.  
Host Pastor  
Preacher of the Hour

**The worship hour is tailored to meet the needs of the working community as well as those that are retired, unemployed, and other at-home persons. A light lunch is available.**

***Come and be renewed !!***

For more information on each month's service, call the church at 405-232-1621, email [fairviewokc@aol.com](mailto:fairviewokc@aol.com) or visit the church website at [www.fairviewokc.com](http://www.fairviewokc.com). Those needing transportation should call the church office no later than Tuesday preceding Wednesday's worship.

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**EZCDA 5th Annual Women's Retreat-Conference**  
Registration Deadline - December 20, 2011

**The EZCDA Minister's Wives & Widows~**  
**Woman's Ministry & Young Adult Women's Ministry**

Cordially Invites YOU to attend our  
5<sup>th</sup> Annual Women's Retreat-Conference  
Friday January 20, 2012  
Saturday, January 21, 2012  
Location: Embassy Suites-2501 Conference Dr  
Norman, OK (405) 364-8040  
Registration: \$35.00

Sis. Rhonda Mitchell, Woman's Ministry President—Sis Dollie Sherrill—Minister's Wives & Widows President—Sis. Jameka Lewis, YAW Pres—Rev. A. R. Crawford, Moderator



***Christ, the Savior, is Born!***

Fairview's Drama Ministry will  
present the  
Annual Christmas Program  
December 18, 2011  
9:00 a.m.



**Sunday School Lesson On-line**

Are you constantly misplacing your copy of the Sunday School Lesson? Not to worry! You can get a copy by going to the church website, [www.fairviewokc.com](http://www.fairviewokc.com), and click on FBC Sunday School Lesson under the Quick Click tab.

**Community Outreach for Recovery**  
**Faith Brings Change (FBC)**



**Please join us for the 12 Steps of Recovery**  
**from the Life Recovery Bible!**

**Location: Fairview Baptist Church - 1700 N.E. 7th**  
**When: Every Monday - Time: 8:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.**

For more information please contact:  
Sis. Felicia Nero @ 405-514-6118 or [felicianero@gmail.com](mailto:felicianero@gmail.com)  
Sister Donna K. Thompson @ 405-209-6750 or [okcprisonministry@yahoo.com](mailto:okcprisonministry@yahoo.com)

**Save the Date**



**5th Annual**  
**Communications**  
**Conference**

**March 9 & 10, 2012**



# ***Camp Burge Contributions***

## ***NOVEMBER 2011***

Anglin, John H. Sr.	\$ 30.00	Jackson, Robert	\$ 32.00
Crawford, Rev. Arthur	\$ 5.00	Johnson, Mary P.	\$ 25.00
Darling, Evalia	\$ 7.00	Marsh, Hattie	\$ 5.00
Dunlap, Alene	\$ 25.00	McGlory, Paula	\$ 5.00
Franklin, Patricia	\$ 5.00	Rogers, Jackie	\$ 5.00
Gaines, Claudette	\$ 2.00	Smith, Mary L.	\$ 12.00
Gaines, Odessa	\$ 12.00	Smith, Ronnie	\$ 5.00
Hardrick, Charles	\$ 30.00	Thompson, Bobbie	\$ 5.00
Hildreth, Mozel	\$ 2.00	Thompson, Cathey	\$ 5.00
Holloway, Chemetra	\$ 1.00	Williams, Lillian B.	\$ 1.00
Holloway, Myrtle	\$ 5.00	Williams, Lucille	\$ 5.00
 <b>NOVEMBER TOTAL - \$229.00</b> 			



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### MEDIA MINISTRY ORDER FORM

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

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Circle the desired media type(s) and submit appropriate donation.

\*CT=cassette tape

CD=compact disk

DVD=digital video disk

Date	Event	Presenter	Title	Donation Amounts— CT-\$5; CD-\$8; DVD-\$10		
11/02/11 12:00pm	Fairview Noonday Worship	Pastor J. A. Reed, Jr.	<i>"I Am The Good Shepherd,"</i> John 10:11	CT	CD	DVD
11/06/11 10:00am	Fairview Morning Worship	Pastor J. A. Reed, Jr.	<i>"Lessons from Life about Stewardship,"</i> Luke 1:13	CT	CD	DVD
11/13/11 10:00am	Fairview Morning Worship	Rev. Derrick Walter	<i>"The Blind Beggar's Dilemma,"</i> John 9: 1-11	CT	CD	DVD
11/20/11 10:00am	Fairview Morning Worship	Pastor J A Reed, Jr.	<i>"How Can I Repay The Lord For All His Goodness To Me,"</i> Psalm 116: 12-14	CT	CD	DVD
11/27/11 10:00am	Fairview Morning Worship	Pastor J A Reed, Jr.	<i>"Costly Commitment,"</i> Matthew 16: 24, Matthew 10:13	CT	CD	DVD

## MEN'S MINISTRY CORNER

Holiday Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ. Once more we greet you prayerfully, looking to the hills from whence cometh our help, praying that God continues to make His face shine upon each of you.

The Ministry continues to serve in support of our Church family, doing those things which God is pleased for us to be engaged in. Let me begin by saying thanks to those of you who answered the call to come help with the huge mass of people that the Fishes and Loaves Ministry served the weekend prior to Thanksgiving. I personally do not know how we would have made it without your help. Thanks again and it's my earnest prayer that we will continue to see you each designated weekend that we have the monthly food give away. Your help is desperately needed every month.

Also, we want to send well wishes and Holiday greetings to our fellow member, Brother Terry Peeler, while he is away. We anticipate his return in February and pray that God does not see fit anymore to take him away from his family and church for these extended periods of time.

Men, there are a number of the brethren who are sick and afflicted and some shut ins among our ranks. Let us not forget to pray for them and visit with them whenever and wherever possible. Also, let us pray for those who are incarcerated and cannot be with us. **Bro. Billy Marshall**, a faithful

member and participant in some of our ministries, including Deacon and Music Ministries, advised me recently that he is facing surgery and would be inactive for roughly two months from that surgery. Let us uphold Billy in prayer and I urged him to continue to trust in and lean on Jesus Christ.



He can and will sustain him. His surgery is scheduled before the first of December and I will report on his condition as soon as its available to me.

December is the month that Pastor has excused us from all of our monthly meetings, but he has not excused us from being at morning worship each Sunday and paying our tithes and offerings. So even though we may be out of town, let us not forget to worship on Sunday morning and let's bring and leave all of our tithes into the storehouse, preferable before taking them out of town with you.

AGAIN, WE WANT TO EXTEND TO YOU OUR WISHES FOR THE HAPPIEST OF HOLIDAYS AND A PROSPEROUS AND BLESSED NEW YEAR.

**Scripture for the Month:** For unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Savior, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying. **Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.** **Luke 2:11-14**



Charles M. Hardrick, Men's Ministry Director

# December 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 <b>December 3</b> <b>9:00am</b> — <i>Juanita Arnold</i> <i>Oratorical Presentation, St. John Baptist Church</i>
4 <b>102nd CHURCH ANNIVERSARY &amp; HOMECOMING CELEBRATION!</b>	5 <b>No Staff or Ministry Meetings</b>	6	7 <b>6:00p.m.</b> — <i>Deacons Meet with Pastor</i> <b>7:00p.m.</b> — <i>Annual Church Conference</i>	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17 <b>10:00am</b> — <i>Food Give-Away</i>
18 <b>9:00 am</b> — <i>ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM</i>	19	20	21	22	23	24
25 <b>CHRISTMAS DAY</b>	26 <b>11:00am</b> — <i>Annual BMA Christmas Service—Faith Memorial Baptist Church</i>	27	28	29	30	31 <b>6:00pm</b> — <b>12midnight</b> <b>31st ANNUAL PRAYER BOWL</b>



## In Memory

### Brother Larry Dale Richardson



Sunrise: July 27, 1953 - Sunset: November 10, 2011  
Home-going Celebration: November 16, 2011

### Sister Bridgette C. Pickett



Sunrise: November 1, 1965 - Sunset: November 4, 2011  
Home-going Celebration: November 12, 2011

In memory of Brother Larry Richardson and Sister Bridgette Pickett. We offer our condolences, prayers and support to the families of Brother Larry and Sister Bridgette. May God continually cover you with His loving, tender love, grace and mercy. Hold fast to His promises!

*"Lo! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed. For this perishable nature must put on the imperishable, and this mortal nature must put on immortality. When the perishable puts on the imperishable, and the mortal puts on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written: "Death is swallowed up in victory." "O death, where is thy victory? O death, where is thy sting?" The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. - 1 Corinthians 15:51-57*

The staff of *The Fairviewan* would like to take this time to wish our faithful readers and the Fairview Church Family a blessed holiday season. As you celebrate the Savior's birth, may you experience the same joy and peace that was heralded by the angels over 2000 years ago.

Thank you for the support you have given to this publication over the past 18 years! It is your prayers and God's mercy and grace that have enabled us to continue this work. It is our hope that it has been a blessing to you. We hold fast to the mission of presenting and uplifting Christ, that souls may be saved, backsliders reclaimed and un-churched seek to be an active part of the body of Christ.

We look forward with faith and hope to sharing with you in the coming year. You may now view issues of the newsletter in full color on the church's website at [www.fairviewokc.com](http://www.fairviewokc.com)

May God's grace and mercy be with you and give you peace!

*Madeatha Patterson, Editor*



*Fairview Thanksgiving Food Give-Away – November 17, 2011 – Corresponding Story on page 4*

