

“Holy Cow...A Divine Bovine”
Isaiah 12:1-6

A man named James...

BACKGROUND OF TODAY’S SCRIPTURE

We often call Isaiah a prophet of Christmas.

Bill Gates...

Isaiah spoke about events that would take place more than 700 years after his own life.

OUR RESPONSE TO CHRISTMAS

Isaiah identified 10 ways that people can respond to the Christmas story...

Linemen and running backs...

We use our mouths...

We use our hands...

We use our minds...

We use our friendships...

Millionaires...

REMEMBERING CHRISTMAS

A cow in Connecticut...

John 1:14...

Hamburgers, French fries and ice cream...

December 27, 2009

10:55 AM

GREETING Tom Cabaniss

†CHORUS OF FELLOWSHIP *Go, Tell It on the Mountain* GO TELL IT

*Go, tell it on the mountain, Over the hills and ev’rywhere;
Go, tell it on the mountain That Jesus Christ is born!*

WELCOME Tom Cabaniss

ANNOUNCEMENTS Nate Leonard

PRELUDE *Go, Tell it On the Mountain* arr. by Don Phillipps
Haven Parrott

†INVOCATION Carol Cone

One: God of star and sign, lead us today along the paths of peace.

All: Guide us in the way of truth.

One: Place in us the words of kindness.

All: Kindle in us an ever-flowing joy.

One: God of the journey, walk with us in times of trouble and dwell with us in the stillness of each night.

All: May your love surround our resting and our hurrying, our laughing and our worrying.

One: God of star and sign,

All: place your light on our path. Amen.

†CAROL 113 *We Three Kings of Orient Are* KINGS OF ORIENT

PRAYER Tom Cabaniss

†CAROL 118 *What Child Is This* GREENSLEEVES
(Our children will come forward as we sing stanza 3.)

OFFERTORY PRAYER Nate Leonard

WORDS FOR OUR CHILDREN Danita Rickard

†OUR RESPONSE (115) *Worship the Lord* JANICE

*Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness!
Bow down before Him, His glory proclaim;
With gold of obedience and incense of lowliness,
Kneel and adore Him: the Lord is His name!*

*Fear not to enter His presence in poverty,
Bearing no gifts to present as your own.
Bring truth in its beauty, and love in its purity —
These are the off’rings to lay at His throne.*

MESSAGE IN MUSIC *When the Angels’ Song Is Silent* M. K. Beall
Sanctuary Choir

MESSAGE “Holy Cow...A Divine Bovine” Tom Cabaniss
Isaiah 12:1-6

Scripture passage may be found on page 711 in the Bible located in the pew.

†CAROL 117 *As with Gladness Men of Old* DIX

PASTORAL BENEDICTION Tom Cabaniss

†CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *Go, Tell It on the Mountain* GO TELL IT

*Go, tell it on the mountain, Over the hills and ev’rywhere;
Go, tell it on the mountain That Jesus Christ is born!*

†POSTLUDE Danita Rickard

†Those who are able please stand.



December 27, 2009

Welcome to Kannapolis First Baptist Church!

*We are so grateful to God for leading you to this place of worship today.
If you are a visitor, be sure to sign our fellowship pads
as they are shared during the worship time or our guest book in the foyer
of the church as you leave so that we might have the
opportunity to thank you personally for worshipping with us today.*



**It sounds like something a distracted parent
might say to an overactive child: Be still!**

**Now God says it to us, God's children, who are the distracted ones,
too busy to set time aside for our Heavenly Parent.**

Listen and you will hear these words, spoken directly to your heart.

**Be still...rejoice in what Almighty God accomplished in
Bethlehem for His people and for the ages.**

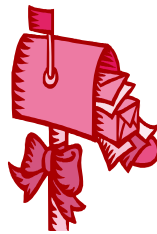
**Rejoice and give glory for all that God has done in Christ
to reconcile Himself! the world to**



*“Sing to the Lord for he has done glorious things;
let this be known to all the world. Shout aloud and sing for joy,
people of Zion, for great is the Holy One of Israel among you.”
Isaiah 12:5-6*

Make plans to participate in a **mission trip to Antofagasta, Chile**. Monday, June 21 —Wednesday, June 30, 2010. We will partner with the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship to serve in Chile. The trip will involve medical missions, construction and much, much more. There are opportunities for ANYONE on this trip...regardless of background, training or skills. Let God use you and bless you through a life-changing mission trip like this one!! Speak with Tom for more details. The deadline to sign up is Sunday, January 3, 2010. To see a promotional video go to www.youtube.com and search for "FBCK Chile Mission Trip Promo." We will have a brief information meeting at the end of worship NEXT SUNDAY.

YOU HAVE MAIL!!!!



Remember to check your mailboxes outside the front of the sanctuary. Much mail still remains. After January 3rd, all mail will be removed and discarded to prepare for the next year.

Remember the **importance of tithing each week**. Our church's ministry and work are supported **EXCLUSIVELY** by the tithes and offerings of our church family. One way we express our gratitude to God for His blessings is by tithing. Also, a failure to tithe is an act of disobedience. Our church has wonderful opportunities to proclaim Christ in our community and beyond. Our giving should match these opportunities. Give your tithes faithfully and obediently.

During **December we will receive gifts to the Lottie Moon and CBF Global Missions Offerings**. Our goal for each one is \$5,000. Please give generously so that people around the world can hear about Christ and His salvation!

Remember to submit your **tithes, offerings and gifts no later than 5:00pm on Thursday, December 31st** in order to receive credit for giving this year!

Wednesday activities ended December 16th and will resume January 13th.

Our **Baptist Men are available to help** with projects around your house such as gutter cleaning, leaf raking, simple repairs and small jobs. If you need some help, speak with Jeff Joyce, our Baptist Men leader, at 704-933-6054.

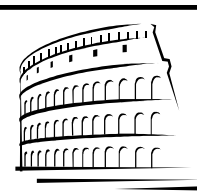


Family Promise NEEDS your HELP in January! Consider how you can be involved in this ministry to homeless families in our community. Use the insert to indicate where you can serve.

The church office will be CLOSED Friday, January 1st.

If you are interested in volunteering at Fred L. Wilson Elementary School you may sign up by calling Nancy Barbee at 704-723-9669. This is an opportunity you will find rewarding and enjoyable.

Haven will begin serving our church on a full-time basis beginning January 1, 2010 as our Minister of Spiritual Formation. Remember to pray for Haven as she serves our church in a new way in addition to her previous roles.



ROMANS
I AM NOT ASHAMED OF THE GOSPEL

Beginning NEXT SUNDAY—January 3, 2010, and continuing through the middle of February 2011, Tom will preach verse by verse through the book of Romans. Often called the "Constitution of our Faith," Romans is "a sweeping panorama of God's redemptive plan from sin to salvation to sanctification. To understand the Christian life, the believer in Jesus Christ must understand the truths of the book of Romans." (David Jeremiah) Additionally, most adult Sunday School classes will study Romans, with an emphasis upon the practical application of its precepts. Why study Romans? Martin Luther gives this perspective: "It is the true masterpiece of the New Testament, and the very purest Gospel, which is well worthy and deserving that a Christian man should not only learn it by heart, word for word, but also that he should daily deal with it as the daily bread of men's souls. For it can never be too much or too well read or studied; and the more it is handled the more precious it becomes, and the better it tastes."



Congratulations...

to Matthew & Sarah Chaney on the birth of a new boy, Matthew Carter Chaney. Matthew joined the family on December 18th and weighed in at 9 lbs. and 11 oz.

Our youth will resume their Sunday evening time on January 3rd, 2010.



The next committee Sunday will be January 10, 2010. If a committee you serve on is meeting, you will be contacted!

THIS WEEK AT KANNAPOLIS FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday, December 27

No Master Ringers Today!

9:15am-Financial Peace 10:55am-Worship Service
9:45am-Sunday School

Tuesday, December 29

NO Sr. Adult Choir

9:15am-Intercessory Prayer Group

Wednesday, December 30

No PM activities. They will resume January 13th!!

9:15am-"A Woman's Heart" Bible Study

Thursday, December 31

NO Men's Bible study, prayer, and fellowship breakfast

New Year's Day—Friday, January 2010

**Office Closed!
Happy New Year!!!!**



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| December 28
Rachel Fields
Melanie Keziah
Ceci Miller
Monty Montgomery | January 10
Anna Davidson |
| December 29
Anna Gurley | January 12
Sherri Brosnahan |
| December 30
Freeman Slaughter | January 13
Bill Pinnix |
| January 1
Karen Hyner | January 15
Penny Negre |
| January 2
Sara Culp
Harry Rogers | January 17
David Holman, Sr. |
| January 3
Laura Allman
Martha Sloop | January 18
Graham Irvin
Patti Miller |
| January 4
Phil Bullard | January 19
Wanda Haynes |
| January 5
Earl Childers | January 21
Stacie Fowler |
| | January 23
Tiffany Garcia
Jim Miller |

**BUDGET REPORT THRU
December 20, 2009**

Receipts	\$660,721.89
Budget	\$684,871.35
Over/(Under)	\$(24,149.46)
Building Fund	\$169,158.14

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**ATTENTION —
ALL THOSE
WHO ARE
TIRED OF
DIETING !!!!**



Did you know that **95%** of those who diet and lose weight gain all of it back plus more? Are you tired of being on this diet roller coaster? Join us on Monday, January 11th at 6:30pm in the church parlor (second floor by elevator) and find out how you can finally lose your weight permanently". Isaiah 43:18-19 says, "Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a **new thing!** Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the desert and streams in the wasteland." **Thin Within** teaches us how to finally turn our over-eating and over-weight condition over to God and how to approach our meals the way He intended when He created us. Come and find out if this is God's **new thing** for you! If you have questions, please call Kathy Joyce at 704-933-6054 or Patti Miller at 704-786-9079.