

Membership C.L.A.S.S.

Please report to the Welcome Center on the lower level for classroom locations.

All persons joining Friendship Missionary Baptist Church are required to attend five (5) Christian Life and Service Seminars (C.L.A.S.S.) before Baptism and/or the Right Hand of Fellowship is extended.

All classes must be taken in sequence (with the exception of Biblical Stewardship-501) beginning with C.L.A.S.S. 101

C.L.A.S.S. 201 & 401 TODAY Nov. 27 9:30a

C.L.A.S.S. 101, 201, 301, 401, 501, Children 101
Saturday Dec. 3 Each class starts at 9:00a

C.L.A.S.S. 101 & 301 Sunday Dec. 4, 18 9:30a

C.L.A.S.S. 201 & 401 Sunday Dec. 11 9:30a

C.L.A.S.S. 501 Sunday Dec. 18 9:30a

Ways you can register for Membership C.L.A.S.S.

CALL 704-391-3850

E-MAIL ajones@friendshipcharlotte.org

WEBSITE www.friendshipcharlotte.org

Deacons on Call

Ada Meador	704-535-3703
Wilfred Neal	704-536-7055; 704-491-2867
Freddie Scales	704-569-8572
Carl Terrell	704-364-1916; 704-507-4504

If you or someone you know is going into the hospital.....
If you have experienced the loss of a loved one.....
If you need counseling.....
If you have a Prayer Request.....
If you need to add or remove a name from the Sick and Shut-In list.....
Then...

call 704.391.3884 or
e-mail:
sicknshutin@friendshipcharlotte.org

Ministries in Action

Angel Tree

Angels can be picked up after every Sunday in the Narthex and the 2nd Floor Plaza entrances after each service. Contact Wendy Ladd at 704-573-8898 or Danita Terrell at 704-364-1916

Y.O.U. 2012 Registrations

Registration in process. Applications available at the Welcome Center Desk and the Y.O.U. Office.
Contact Carolyn Lloyd at 704-391-6676.

FMBC Walk Team Ministry

Sat., Dec. 3, 8:05a, Team Walk, Highland Creek Elementary. Contact Tess at tess.placement@gmail.com

New Perspective Ministry Meeting

Sat., Dec. 3, 1:30p-3:00p, Conference Room D

Spiritual Development Week

Mon., - Thurs., Dec. 5-8, 7:00p

Theme: *Practical Evangelism*

Soup and Sandwiches offered each night from 5:45p-6:45p

Seniors in the Spotlight Christmas Gala

Tues., Dec. 6, 10:30a-1:30p, Conference Center
Activities and refreshments Registration **required** before
Tues., Nov. 29. Contact Alma at 704-391-3860

Blood Pressure Screening

Last one this year...Sun., Dec. 11, 9:00a-1:00p
Gymnasium on 1st Floor

Sunday School Christmas Program

Sun., Dec. 11, 11:30a

Get Ready for the Holidays - Exercise!!!

Aerobics for Everyone - every Tues. and Thurs. at 6:00p
Contact Mitchell Smith at 704-606-1018 or
2gsmit@bellsouth.net

Stay Fit 4 Life - every Mon., Wed., & Fri., at 6:00p

Contact Richard Goodwin at 704-930-5921 or
RAGStayFit4Life@gmail.com

SEED Tutorials Need Volunteers

Mon-Wed, 5:00p-7:00p at 3301 Beatties Ford Road
Contact 704-391-3876

November 27, 2011

Music of Preparation

Invocation

Opening Hymn
Count Your Blessings

Baptism Service (11:30a)

Lighting of Advent Candles

Intercessory Prayer

Ministry of Music

Welcome

Pastoral Reflections

Offertory/Ministry of Music

Scripture Reading
II Peter 1:1-22

Proclamation of the Word

Invitation

Right Hand of Fellowship (11:30a)

Benediction

Postlude



*First Sunday
of Advent*

Friendship
Missionary Baptist Church

Dr. Clifford A. Jones, Sr.
Senior Minister



EXTENDING THE RIGHT
HAND OF FELLOWSHIP

Worship Services
7:30a | 9:30a | 11:30a

Junior Worship (K-5)
7:30a | 11:30a
2nd, 3rd, 4th Sunday

Youth Worship (6-12)
9:30a | 11:30a
2nd, 3rd, 4th Sunday

The Connection at 3301
2nd & 4th Sunday - 5:30p

Sunday School
9:30a
(Beginners) 3 Years - Adult



2nd & 4th Tuesday, 10:30a
Wednesday Mornings - 11:30a

Adult & Youth
Wednesday Evenings, 7:00p

Thursday Evenings - 7:00p

Women - 1st & 3rd Saturday,
3:00p



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"From Self to Savior"

Opening Hymn

COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS

Text: Johnson Oatman, Jr., 1856-1922

*Tune: BLESSINGS, 11 11 11 11 with refrain; Edwin O. Excell, 1851-1921;
arr. by Evelyn Simpson-Curenton, b. 1953, © 2000, GIA*

When upon life's billows you are tempest-tossed,
When you are discouraged, thinking all is lost,
Count your many blessings, name them one by one,
And it will surprise you what the Lord hath done.

Are you ever burdened with a load of care?
Does the cross seem heavy you are called to bear?
Count your many blessings, every doubt will fly,
And you will keep singing as the days go by.

When you look at others with their lands and gold,
Think that Christ has promised you His wealth untold;
Count your many blessings—wealth can never buy
Your reward in heaven, nor your home on high.

So, amid the conflict whether great or small,
Do not be discouraged, God is over all;
Count your many blessings, angels will attend,
Help and comfort give you to your journey's end.

Refrain:

***Count your blessings, name them one by one,
Count your blessings, see what God hath done!
Count your blessings, name them one by one,
Count your many blessings, see what God hath done.***

The 9:30 and 11:30 services are interpreted for the hearing impaired by the FMBC Deaf Ministry.

Ministries in Action

Annual Affirmation Services

Sun., Dec. 18, 7:30a, 9:30a, 11:30a

Annual Cake Cutting Fellowship and Meet and Greet Book Authors from Friendship
following the 11:30am service in the Conference Center.
All members are asked to bring HOMEMADE cakes by 10:00a on Dec. 18.

Spirit of Christmas Gift Collections

New coats, travel size hygiene products (soap, combs, toothpaste/brush, floss, etc.). **Each Sunday in November, 2nd Floor Atrium.** Contact 704-391-6648 or volunteer@genesisharitablefund.org

Community Table Update for November 6, 2011

Private Donations (individuals who are in need)	629.9
Friendship Trays	173.1
Jacob's Well	369.8
Loaves and Fishes	1,777
Matthew Help Center	742.5
My Sister's House	84.7
Total Pounds	3,777
Total checks/cash collected	\$3,484

Community Food Offering for Sunday...

Dec 4 Cake mix, frosting, canned vegetables, dressing mix, rice, canned meats (chicken, corn beef, ham, beef stew), fruit cups, apple cider and cooking oil

Jan 1 Canned vegetables, dried beans and peas, meal, flour, soups, canned milk

Lighting of Advent Candle:

7:30a - Cordell and Louise Stroud and Family
9:30a - Malverse and Patricia Collins and Family
11:30a - Marilyn Tate, Jeremiah, Aicha and Delores Ware



Prayer Line - 704-391-3880

From the Pastor...

Word of the Month: SANCTIFICATION

Monthly Emphasis: Veterans' Day, Thanksgiving, Advent, Angel Tree, Spirit of Christmas

Health Emphasis: Stress Reduction

Scriptures for the Month: Romans 10:8-12; Galatians 2:20-21, I Peter 4-5, II Peter 1

Thought for the Week: Christians witness in the midst of hypocrisy, deceit and dishonesty. God will judge.

"Additional Readings for the Week"

Mon	Matthew 7: 15 - 20	Light Bears Light
Tues	I Timothy 4: 1 - 5	Know the True Light
Wed.	I John 4: 1 - 6	The True light can stand the test
Thurs	II Peter 2: 1 - 11	The True light is stronger than darkness
Fri.	II Peter 2: 12 - 22	Remain Faithful and Bear Witness
Sat.	2 Thessalonians 3: 1 - 5	God honors our faithfulness

Point to Ponder: We are called to bear witness to the true God in a world of many imitators. The faithful must know and be faithful to what we know to be the Truth in the midst of many competing truths.

Prayer: Lord help me today to be able to stand for you and the truth as you teach us.

Advent Wreaths

The advent wreath is a circular evergreen wreath (real or artificial) which contains four candles—three purple and one rose. The three purple candles in the Advent wreath symbolize hope, peace and love.

These candles are lit on the first, second, and fourth Sundays of Advent. The rose candle, which symbolizes joy, is usually lit on the third Sunday. A fifth candle is placed in the center of the Advent wreath. This candle is white and is called the Christ Candle. The central location of the Christ Candle reminds us the incarnation is at the heart of the season, giving light to the world. This candle is traditionally lit on Christmas Day.

