# THE LEAF

NEWS AND NOTES FROM FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH FOREST PARK

#### **Green Balls**

At FBC Forest Park we have 1
Vision to see 200 baptisms
through the ministry of our
church. That's 1 Percent of
Forest Park! How are we going
to achieve that goal? 1 Person
at a time! Put a green ball in
the bucket for every person
you invite to church. We are 1
Church united around 1

#### J.O.Y. Club

Mission!

At FBC Forest Park we do not have old people. We have Just Older Youth! If you are older in years but still young at heart you are invited to meet us at **Longhorn** (2256 Mt. Zion Pkwy) on **Tuesday, November 18 at 11:00**. We will gather for food and fellowship. We look forward to seeing you there!

#### First And Foremost

Every **first Sunday** we invite you to return to the church at 4:00 for a time of prayer. Meet us in the chapel and we will guide you as you spend time in the presence of God.



### Serve in the OCC Warehouse

Come pack boxes with us on December 13!

You guys did a great job collecting our Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes! Now, the real work begins... In the coming weeks, churches from all across the country will be turning in their boxes to OCC processing centers. Those warehouses are where the shoeboxes are checked, organized, and loaded in trailers ready to to be sent all over the world.

None of this happens without an army of faithful volunteers working together to finish the project. On **Saturday**, **December 13th** we will **meet at the church at 12:00** and head to the Atlanta Processing Center to help with these efforts. We will volunteer in the warehouse from 2:00 - 6:00 and **return to the church about 8:00**.

We have **10 spots available**. You can signup on our website at ForestParkFirst.com. Each person must register and fill out a waiver. Lunch will be provided on the way to the processing center.

Sign up now and join us in serving Operation Christmas Child!



#### **Upcoming Events**

Nov. 2 - First and Foremost

Nov. 15 - CSU Football Game

(2:00)

**Nov. 18** - J.O.Y. Club

Nov. 26 - No Wednesday Night Activities

Nov. 28 - Christmas Decorating

**Dec. 6** - Christmas Parade

**Dec. 7** - First and Foremost

**Dec. 10** - Church Conference

**Dec. 13** - Operation Christmas Child Warehouse

**Dec. 17** - White Elephant Party

**Dec. 21** - Christmas Service

- Lord's Supper

**Dec. 24** - No Wednesday Night Activities

**Dec. 25** - Christmas Day

**Dec. 28** - A day of rest.

No church activities.

Dec. 31 - New Year's Eve

- No Wednesday Night Activities

**Jan. 1** - New Year's Day

Jan. 2 - Un-decorate the church

Jan. 4 - Return to regular weekly schedule

## Join The Choir for Christmas

Practice starts today!

The choir will begin practicing today for our special Christmas service on Sunday, December 21. If you would like to participate and sing make plans to stay after our worship service for choir practice. All are welcome!

## **Thanksgiving Outreach**

Making plans to serve our community.

We can't announce the details yet but we are talking with some community partners and planning a community outreach the week of Thanksgiving. We will let you know all the details as soon as the plans are finalized.

# **Decorating The Church**

Help us deck the halls! Well... mostly the sanctuary.

We will meet at the church at **10:00** on **Friday, November 28th** to decorate the church for Christmas. Last year we had an amazing crew show up and we were done in a couple of hours.

Make plans to be here and help us get ready for the most wonderful time of the year!

#### **Christmas Parade**

Join the parade and help Forest Park light the tree!

FBC Forest Park will have float this the Forest Park Christmas Parade on **Saturday, December 6th.** The parade will begin at 1000 Main Street and end in Starr Park. Make plans to help us decorate our float and walk in the parade. More details coming soon.

## White Elephant Party

A fun family tradition at FBC Forest Park!

For the last few years we have enjoyed gathering as a church family for a White Elephant Party. A white elephant gift is a joke gift that costs no more than \$5. We will have games, food, fellowship, and enjoy trading these funny gifts with each other. Don't miss **Wednesday, December 17**. It's sure to be a night filled with fun and laughter.