

A wealthy man and his son loved to collect rare works of art. When the war broke out, the son died in battle while rescuing another soldier. The father was notified and grieved deeply for his only son. Just before Christmas, a young man came to visit. He said, 'Sir, you don't know me, but I am the soldier for whom your son gave his life. He saved many lives that day. He often talked about you, and your love for art.' He would have wanted you to have this.' The father opened the package. It was a portrait of his son, painted by the young man. He stared in awe at the way the soldier had captured the personality of his son in the painting. The father's eyes welled up with tears. He thanked the young man and offered to pay him... 'Oh, no sir, I could never repay what your son did for me. It's a gift.'

Every time visitors came to his home the father took them to see the portrait of his son before he showed them any of the other great works he had collected. The father died a few years later..... There was to be a great auction of his paintings. Many influential people gathered, excited over seeing the great paintings and having an opportunity to purchase one for their collection. The auctioneer pounded his gavel. 'We will start the bidding with this picture of the son. Who will bid for this picture?'

There was silence.. then shouts to 'Skip this one.' But the auctioneer persisted. 'Will somebody bid for this painting? Who will start the bidding? \$100, \$200?' More cries to put it aside but still the auctioneer continued. 'The son! The son! Who'll take the son?'

Finally, a voice came from the very back of the room. It was the longtime gardener of the man and his son. 'I'll give \$10 for the painting...' Being a poor man and not expecting to be able to bid, it was all he could afford.

'We have \$10, who will bid \$20?' 'Give it to him for \$10. Let's see the masters!' The crowd was becoming angry. They didn't want the picture of the son..

The auctioneer pounded the gavel. 'Going once, twice, SOLD for \$10!'

The auctioneer laid down his gavel and announced 'the auction is over.'

'What about the paintings?'

'I am sorry. When I was called to conduct this auction, I was told of a secret stipulation in the will. Only the painting of the son would be auctioned.

Whoever bought that painting would inherit the entire estate, including the paintings. The man who took the son gets everything!'

God gave His son 2,000 years ago to die on the cross. Much like the auctioneer, His message today is: 'The son, the son, who'll take the son?' because, you see, whoever takes the Son gets everything.



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# Welcome to First Baptist Church of Laurel Hill

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December 9, 2012

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## Romans 7

<sup>4</sup>Wherefore, my brethren, ye also are become dead to the law by the body of Christ; that ye should be married to another, *even* to him who is raised from the dead, that we should bring forth fruit unto God. <sup>5</sup>For when we were in the flesh, the motions of sins, which were by the law, did work in our members to bring forth fruit unto death. <sup>6</sup>But now we are delivered from the law, that being dead wherein we were held; that we should serve in newness of spirit, and not *in* the oldness of the letter.

The above verses are studied in detail on Sunday and Wednesday evenings. Ya'll come!

*December 9, 2012*

**Opening prayer with the pastor ~ 9:30 am**

**Bible Study / Sunday School ~ 9:45 am**

**Morning Worship Service ~ 11:00 am**

Welcome, Announcements

Worship in Prayer

Call to Worship

"What Can I Give Him" (choir 263)

Invocation

Hark! The Harold Angels Sing #83

O Come, O Come Emmanuel #78

Away in the Manger #80

Worship with Tithes and Offerings

Special Music

"How Great Our Joy" (choir 269)

God's Message

Rev. Dan Lane

Response



**Choir Practice ~ 5:00 pm ~ Open to All**

**Evening Worship Service ~ 6:00 pm**

Worship in Music and Prayer

#90 Good Christian Men Rejoice

#84 Child in the Manger

#79 Come Thou Long-Expected Jesus

Welcome / Announcements / Prayer

Message from the Bible

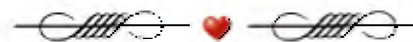
Response

The Laurel Hill Christmas Parade will be held Sunday afternoon,  
Dec. 16th at 3 p.m. Floats are welcome.

Next Good News Club meets December 12<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> at 2:30pm

## **Weekly Schedule of Opportunities for Praise, Worship & Service**

Sun-Sat	Visitation Every Day,	Any Time
Wednesday	Prayer and Bible Study	6:30 pm
Friday	<b>Youth Recreation Outreach</b>	6:00 pm
1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday	Brotherhood Breakfast	7:00 am
Wed > 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday	Business Meeting	7:15 pm
3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday	Care Givers Support Group	2:00 pm



## **Announcements**



**Lottie Moon collection now  
& all month of December**

**for Foreign Missions.**

Mark your envelopes and  
checks for Lottie Moon.

There will be a "Town Hall" meeting here on Tuesday,  
Dec. 11 at 6 p.m. to discuss the possibility of dissolving the city.  
Please let your voice be heard.

The Youth are collecting Christmas gifts and supplies for the  
**Florida Baptist Children's Home in Pensacola.**  
Moneys donated will be used to purchase these items.  
Contact Bro Dewayne or mark your envelopes 'Children Gifts'  
There isn't much time, please donate by Dec 16<sup>th</sup>, thank you.

The Youth will present a **Christmas Program Dec 16<sup>th</sup> PM**  
**Finger Food Social** afterward in the Fellowship Hall

"Free Christmas Community Meal" **Saturday December 22**  
in the fellowship at 2pm-until... If you would like to help let Patty know.

## **Bible Study**

YAHWEH – Our Father Psalm 103:1-22

**Next week**

**YAHWEH- Our Righteousness** Jer. 23:5-6; Rom. 3:1-26; 10:1-10  
**WE would LOVE to see YOU in Sunday Bible Study 9:45 am**