



Good News

From Elmore Baptist Association
"Churches in Fellowship & on Mission"

December 11, 2008

News from EBA churches . . .

Bethlehem East - Nov 23rd, BEBC had a wonderful Thanksgiving service with Refuge Baptist as our guest. Brother Steve Scarborough brought the message and our BEBC choir sang. 12/21 the adult choir will present "Welcome to our World" in the AM service and the children will give their Christmas cantata in the PM service. Everyone is welcome to come celebrate with us. We will have a joint Watch Night service Dec 31st at 10:30 with Rev. Alfred Ikner speaking.

Beulah - New sound system purchased. Church is providing "comfort boxes" for vets in the VA. Lottie Moon Goal: \$300. Special service held 11/30 to simulate - persecuted church worship. 12/17 Live Nativity Scene 6:30 PM

Eclectic 1st - "An Eclectic Christmas" (Dec 17, 19, 20 & 21) will be a "walk-thru" experience in the tradition of "Bethlehem Revisited." Call the church (541-4444) for more information.

Mountain View - Lottie Moon Goal: \$14,000. "Miracle on Main Street" Children's Musical and Dinner Theater: 12/12, 7 PM (reservations required), musical only 12/14, 6 PM.

Mt Hebron West - Lottie Moon Goal: \$14,000. Church is collecting items for yard sale to support upcoming mission trip. Call 567-4441.

Redland - Pastor recently preached in Morales and Santiago (Guatemala) and led men's pastor's conferences, partnering with First Baptist of Guatemala City. Church is adopting several needy families thru DHR to provide

From your Associational Missionary

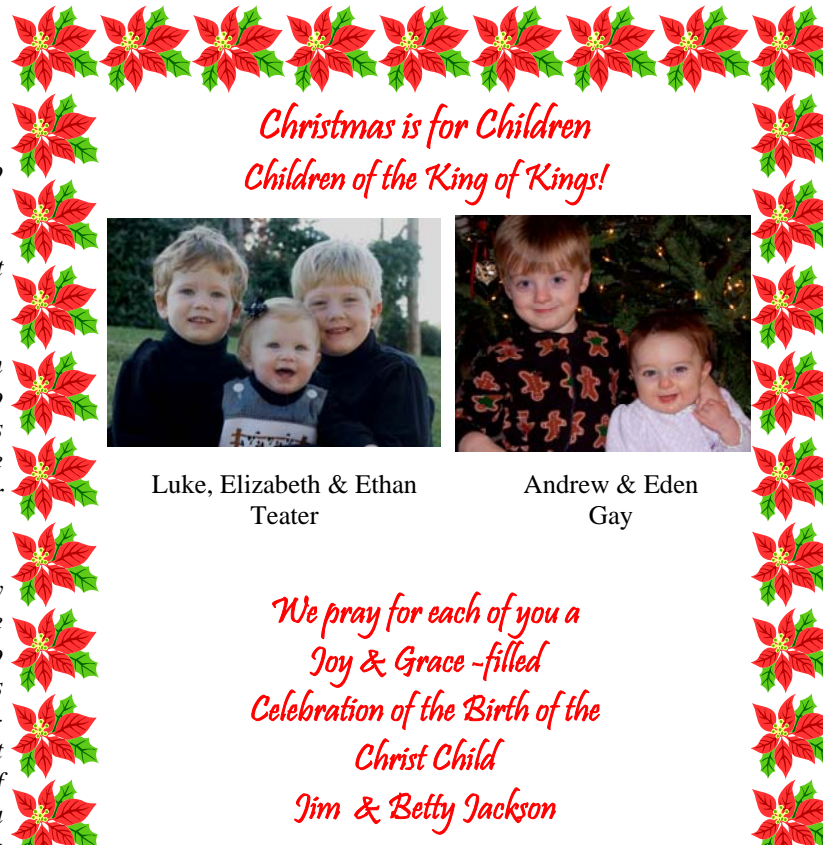
"Celebrating a Special Birth"

The birth of a child brings new hope. It also brings **excitement** and **anxiety**.

We look forward to celebrating the 1st coming of Christ, the Savior of the world.

All that we do during the Christmas season should make us **excited**. Excited - to remember the greatest gift the world has ever received - the Son of God! Never let the excitement of the season lessen in your spirit. Be filled with joy, peace and grace.

We also get a little **anxious** as we get ready for celebration & gift giving. Let me encourage you to give the greatest gift to everyone you can. Give the gift of God's love through you. Share the gift of the good-news message of Christmas. Give the gift through words, witness and acts of compassion. These gifts don't require a MasterCard. They do require that we



*Christmas is for Children
Children of the King of Kings!*



Luke, Elizabeth & Ethan
Teater



Andrew & Eden
Gay

*We pray for each of you a
Joy & Grace-filled
Celebration of the Birth of the
Christ Child
Jim & Betty Jackson*

compassion. These gifts don't require a MasterCard. They do require that we acknowledge Christ as our Master & Lord and allow Him to use us to share His love.

Jim & Betty Jackson

Baptist of Guatemala City. Church is adopting several needy families thru DHR to provide Christmas gifts & food. They are also working with the Adullum House in providing gifts for their children.

Grace & Peace!

Pajaro

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the story of Jesus

**Lottie Moon Christmas Offering
For International Missions
National Goal: \$17,000.000**

HISPANIC MINISTRY

Dec. 21, we will present the "Hosanna to the King" at Vaughn Forest B/C, 12 Noon. With praise to Our Lord and Savior, and King of Kings, the cantata will finish with the song: "The Holy City."

On December 31, (also at Vaughn Forest) we will have a "Farewell Service" for the past year and a welcome for the New Year. We will praise, pray, and give testimonies, and preach, finishing with a Koinonia meal for the brotherhood of the believers. Everyone is invited to both events.

May God Bless you all. Alex and Victoria Pajaro Missionaries of Elmore Baptist Association.

*To God be the Glory!
Pastor, Alejandro Pajaro G.*

"Operation Epistle"

"Operation Epistle" is a cooperative effort of our association to assist "Connections Church in Ypsilanti, MI (where one of our mission teams worked this summer). It is a simple project - addressing envelopes and providing stamps which will be mailed to 25,000 homes in their community to invite them to the first service of the church.

To participate through EBA, you must let us know **(by 12/31/08)** the number of envelopes you/your church will need. Envelopes to be mailed back to Michigan by EBA must be in our office **by 2/16/09**.

If you would like more info, please call your associational office (567-7321).

Seman - Christmas Caroling 12/14. Christmas Cantata and Dinner 12/21.

Thelma - Lottie Moon Goal: \$11,000.

Wetumpka 1st - Churchwide Christmas pageant, 12/21, 6 PM. Lottie Moon Goal: \$10,000.

Jail/Prison Ministry Volunteer Training

Sunday 1/11, 2-4 PM
Bethsaida B/C, Hwy 9 - Equality

Ministry Opportunity

Adullum House needs help w/food needs
If you or your church would like to help,
Call EBA & we'll help you connect!

Church Tax Conference

1/8 - State Baptist Convention Office

Minister's Tax Conference

2/10 - State Baptist Convention Office

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