



TODAY: December 5

- ◆ 8:30a Elder and Deacon **Prayer** Time
- ◆ 8:45a **Prayer** Time (all ages)
- ◆ 11:00a Children's **Program FULL Rehearsal** with **ALL** Sunday School Children / Room N125
- ◆ 12:15p **SS Ministry Meeting** in N126
- ◆ 4:00p **Choir** Practice
- ◆ 5:00p **Teens to Togo** application process information meeting in N126



THIS WEEK'S EVENTS:

Mon. Dec. 6—5:30p-9:00p **E107 Reserved** for Ambassador Fellowship

Wed. Dec. 8—10:30a **Women's Ministry** Meeting in Room N122

Fri. Dec. 10—6:00p CrossCurrent Youth **Christmas Dinner** in the FMC

Sat. Dec. 11—8:00a **Men's Breakfast** in the FMC—sign up in the foyer

Sat. Dec. 11—10:00a—12:00 Noon **Elder Exam** for Arnie Rubey in Room N126

Sat. Dec. 11—2:00p Sanctuary **Reserved** for Tappert Recital—the church is cordially invited

[Regular activities on the back of the bulletin]

SAVE THE DATE!

Dec. 12—12:30p **Elders** Meeting N126

Dec. 12—5:00p **IMPACT** Family Night **Training** in E107



Dec. 13—**Reserved** E107 for Ambassador Fellowship

Dec. 15—6:00p **Deadline** for bringing new **PILLOWS** for the AWANA Christmas Project for the Boise Rescue Mission.

Dec. 18— 9:30a **Choir** Cantata Practice

Dec. 18— 12:30p Children's Christmas Program **Full Dress Rehearsal**



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Dec. 19—9:00a *Christmas* Brunch

Dec. 19—10:00a Choir *Christmas* Cantata

Dec. 19—6:00p Children's *Christmas* Program

Dec. 21—11:30a **J.O.Y.** Group *Christmas* Luncheon in the Family Ministry Center—**Adopt-A-Table to Decorate**—

Sign up in the foyer—Food Assignments: A—F = Salad; G—M = Dessert; N—Z = Main Dish—Sign up in the foyer—Bring your stamps for the Stamp Ministry—contact Penny M. with questions **(661) 713-0371**

Dec. 24—5:00p *Christmas Eve*

Service at the church

Merry Christmas

Dec. 27-30—**TLC** (Teen Leadership Conference)

Jan. 8, 2022—Women's Ministry "Kick-Off" **Brunch**

Jan. 13, 2022—Ladies' **Bible study** resumes

Jan. 15-17, 2022—JR. High **Winter Blast** at Camp Pinewood

Jan. 16, 2022—5:00p **Teens to Togo** final planning for Service Auction in N126—Service Auction will be Feb. 18

Deposit Report 2021	
November General Fund Budget:	
\$41,181.39	
WEEK: November 28, 2021	
General Fund:	\$3,050.00
Special Offering:	\$4,507.00
Deposit:	\$7,557.00
MONTH: NOVEMBER	
General Fund:	\$52,978.92
Special Offerings:	\$69,090.00
Deposits:	\$122,068.92

MERIDIAN FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH



December 5, 2021 9:30 AM Service

Pianist: Scott / Song Leader: Jim

Hymn #216—*Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*

Hymn #219—*Thou Who Wast Rich*
Song—*That Beautiful Name*

Communion Service: Mike

Hymn #246—*It Came Upon the Midnight Clear*

Scripture Reading: Psalm 91 Rick

Message: "My Refuge and My Fortress"

Text: Psalm 91 Pastor Randy

Closing **Song**—*A Shelter in the Time of Storm*



6:00 PM Service

Pianist: Scott / Song Leader: Kelly

Song—*The Lord Shall Provide*

Special Music: Schimanskis

Message: "You Cause Me to Thrive"

Text: Psalm 92 Pastor Randy

There is a mailbox set up in the foyer for you to put your Christmas cards in for friends at

MFBC.



Copies of the Instructions for the Online Church Directory are on the table in the foyer.

MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS:

December 5:

Nursery:

AM: Brian / Mary Ann

SS: Gloria / Penny

PM: Susie / Savannah

Sound Techs: John / Justin / Sarah (AM) & (PM)

Security: Mick/Damon (AM) Jim D. (PM)

December 12:

Nursery:

AM: Robin / Iyana

SS: Darlene / Jayne

PM: Colette / Kelly M.

Sound Techs: Jonathon/Katelyn/John (AM) & (PM)

Security: Charlie C. (AM) Elaine (PM)

MISSION FOCUS:

DECEMBER



Rich & Cindy Brown

ABWE / Spain

•**Thank God with us** for the 24-28 day campers for VBS--- good-sized groups after COVID

•**Pray as these are great contacts** for our KID'S CLUB

•**Thank you for continuing to pray** for Rich's autoimmune disease.

ELDER CANDIDATE ARNOLD RUBEY

Testimony

I was born and raised in a rural farm community in Colorado and brought to Christ at age 11 by a welder at our local sugar factory. This godly man led both my father and me to Christ three days apart. My boyhood intention of becoming an architect changed shortly thereafter to wanting to become a pastor. I preached my first sermon at age 17, which experience firmly settled my direction toward ministry.

I attended the Omaha Baptist Bible College in Omaha, Nebraska where I met and married Kay Clucas from Parma, Idaho. Upon graduation, we began ministry in Denver where I served as a youth pastor. I was then given the opportunity to plant a new church in Boulder, Colorado as the founding pastor. We returned to Denver a few years later to continue pastoring until God later led us to Minnesota in the pastorate.

God has given us ministry in varied places across the years. Twenty eight years ago He brought us to Idaho where I served in my final pastorate. I was appointed chaplain to the Boise Police Dept. in 2004 which role I've filled until retirement in September 2021.

God led us to MFBC a few years ago and we have been blessed to have this as our church home and to continue serving as He provides opportunity.