



**December 1, 2013**



**Next Sunday our special musical guest will be Dennis Lamar. Dennis is a graduate of Baylor University receiving a Bachelor of Music in Vocal Performance. He has performed in venues around the world. Dennis and his wife are the founders of Lamar Vocal Studio.**



## LOOKING AHEAD

### children [www.vinekids.com](http://www.vinekids.com)

**AWANA** tonight 5 - 7 pm. No AWANA - Happy Thanksgiving!

### students [www.vinestudents.com](http://www.vinestudents.com)

**TRANSIT** on Wednesday, Dec 4 - Doors open at 6 pm, worship at 7 pm, and message at 7:25 pm. We will be finished by 8:10 pm.

**Egg Noggin Retreat** - Dec 6 - 8. Make sure your student has paid and has the FBC Release form on file. Be at theBOX no later than 5 pm on Friday, Dec 6. We will depart by 6 pm for Pine Cove. Your student should have dinner before they arrive at theBOX.

### single adults

**Just Off Main Coffeehouse** is open on Friday nights from 7 - 11 pm. Dec 6 - Game Night; Dec 20 - Christmas Movie Night; Dec 27 - Closed for Christmas. For more details, email [frank.roberson@fbcgrapevine.com](mailto:frank.roberson@fbcgrapevine.com).

**Whole-In-One Bible Study** on Wednesdays @ Just Off Main Coffeehouse, 6:30 pm.

**Singles Christmas Party** with Christine Hand on Dec 13 from 7 - 10 pm.

**Singles New Year's Eve Party** with the Randy Lee Band. "Happy Hollywood New Year" with a silver screen celebration of movies. Dec 31 from 8 pm - 1 am.

### adults

**Cookies and Cocoa** - Dec 5 everyone is welcome for cookies and cocoa in theBOX during and immediately after the Grapevine Christmas Parade.

**Young at Heart** is Monday, Dec 2 at 6 pm. Bill White is the guest speaker with program title of "The Greatest Gift of All: Celebrating Christmas with Bill White".

**Parent's Night Out** is Friday, Dec 13 from 6 - 9:45 pm. Cost is \$8 per child. Reserve a spot for your child by noon on Dec 11 by calling 817-416-0398.

**'A Grapevine Christmas'** - A free community Christmas concert featuring the FBC Grapevine Worship Ministry with Rocky Gribble and The Grapevine Opry, Johnson Elementary, and the Alexander Quartet. Invite your friends and neighbors to this exciting holiday event, Sunday evening, Dec 15 at 6 pm. No tickets or reservations required. For more information, contact Toni Alexander at [toni.alexander@fbcgrapevine.com](mailto:toni.alexander@fbcgrapevine.com) or 817-203-2390.

## CHECKING THE NUMBERS

#### TITHES & OFFERINGS

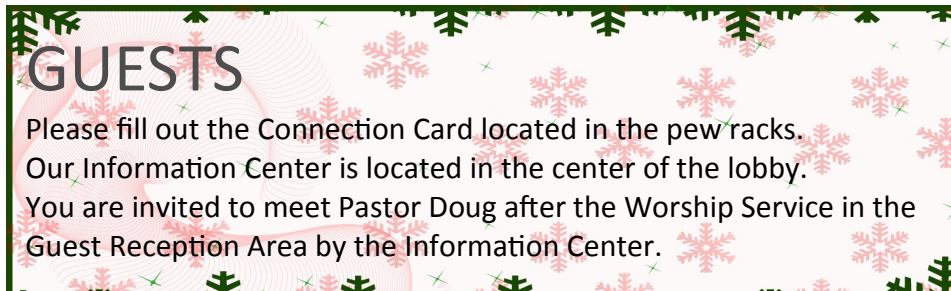
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YTD Plan: \$516,923  
YTD Actual: \$481,980

#### BIBLE STUDY ATTENDANCE

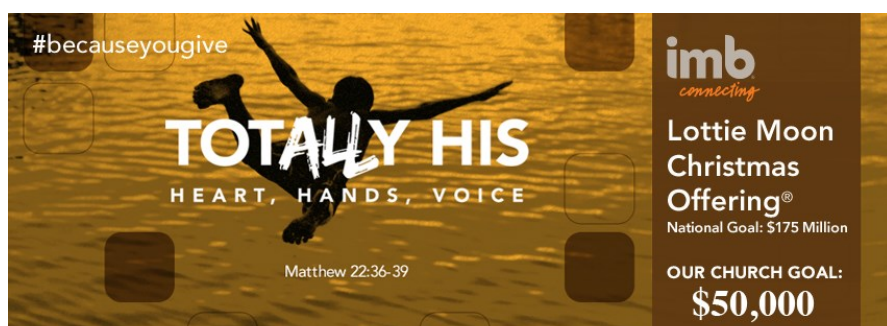
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#### WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

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## MINISTRY NEWS



#### FBC GRAPEVINE MISSION CONTRIBUTIONS

The Baptist General Convention of Texas would like to congratulate FBC Grapevine on being one of the top givers for missions in 2012. FBCG was number 13 out of 5400 churches.

#### CHRISTMAS EVENT FOR RESIDENTS OF GRACE'S TRANSITIONAL HOUSING

Friday, Dec 6 - You can participate by: 1) donating money or gift cards - contact Megan Wilson at 817-307-6604, 2) help with food for the dinner - contact Tammy Spano at 972-965-5302, or 3) donating cookies for the cookie exchange - contact Judy at [judyakelley@verizon.net](mailto:judyakelley@verizon.net).

#### BLOOD DRIVE

Sunday, Dec 8 from 11 am - 3 pm in the west parking lot. Sign up for a timeslot at the Information Center or call Karen Bittmann at 817-203-2365.

#### HELP FILL THE GRACE FOOD PANTRY!

Grace is either out of or low on stock on many items listed at the Information Center. Donations may be made through Dec 16 to either tree located in the Foyer. Let's reach out and help.

### "Christmas Hope" December 1, 2013 Pastor Doug Page Luke 2:22-34

Simeon was **Waiting**

Simeon was **Watching**

Simeon was **Worshipping**

The Advent wreath is a wreath of evergreens symbolizing the eternal life that only Christ can give. The wreath contains five candles each representing a step toward the realization of Christ's birth. The four outer candles represent Hope, Peace, Joy, and Love. Each Sunday a different candle is lit until all four shed their light together. The gradual increase of light symbolizes the growing anticipation of the birth of Jesus. Finally on Christmas Eve, the center white candle is lit, which is called the Christ candle.