

Lottie Moon Post Office

The Lottie Moon Post Office is open. If you would like to send cards to church members, you may bring them to the "Post Office" and put them in the lettered slots that correspond with the first letter of the recipient's last name. Each church member is then to check the box for cards that have been given to them. The cost of using the post office is 25¢ per card. Please place your donation in the white Lottie Moon envelopes at the Post Office and bring them to the office or place them in the offering plate. All donations will go to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for missions.

Special Christmas All Pro Dad

Karl Mecklenburg, former Denver Bronco Captain and six-time All Pro Defensive player, will lead an All Pro Dad get together.

When: Tuesday, December 18, 6:30 PM
Where: Chick-fil-A, Westminster Mall (Our own Terry Gist is the Owner/Operator)
Who: All dads and their children
Why: To strengthen the relationship between dads and their children and enjoy a night out together. Plus to hang out with one of football's greats and hear him share about his relationship to Jesus.
Cost: Dinner cost at Chick-fil-A

Karl will be signing autographs so bring a pen and something for him to sign. See you on the 18th at Chick-fil-A.

Parents of Teenagers

If you are not receiving the Weekly Parent Update newsletter, you may pick-up a copy at the Area 51 Youth Ministry table in the foyer. You may also receive a copy via e-mail. Give us your e-mail address by sending us an e-mail at bingram@mabc.us or fill out a form on the ministry table.

All Night New Year's Youth Lock-In

All youth are invited to a lock-in December 31, 2007. Activities begin at 9:00 PM Monday, December 31 and will conclude at 6:00 AM January 1. Cost is \$30 per person. Sponsors are also needed. We will ring in the New Year with activities, pizza, a midnight concert and much more. Sign up sheets are posted in Area 51 and flyers are available on the website.

Wednesday Family Supper
Annual Christmas Party
Sandwiches, Appetizers and Desserts

Deacons of the week for December 16-December 21, 2007
John Ditch 303.360.0920
Skip Wayman 303.680.3764
Should you need a deacon, please call either of these two men or the church office.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2007

8:00 AM Worship–Worship Center
9:30 AM Sunday School
10:45 AM Worship–Worship Center
12:15 PM MABC Vision/Prayer Strategy Meeting–Chapel
4:00 PM Youth Choir–Choir Room
5:00 PM AWANA–Gym
5:00 PM Youth Snack Supper–Area 51
5:30 PM Youth Discipleship–Area 51

MONDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2007

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2007

5:00 PM Youth Outreach
7:00 PM Youth Praise Band Practice–Area 51

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2007

9:30 AM Triple L Outing–Buell Theater
4:45 PM Family Supper–Gym
6:00 PM Adult Bible Study–Chapel
Celebration Choir & Orchestra Rehearsal–Worship Ctr
Children's M & M–Preschool Area
ELEVATE–Area 51
Youth Teachers' Meeting–Youth Conference Room
7:30 PM Finance Committee Meeting–Conference Room

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2007

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2007

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2007

6:30 AM Men's Bible Study–IHOP on Mississippi Ave.

December 16, 2007

Welcome to Mississippi Avenue Baptist Church, SBC

You are most welcome. It is a joy to have you visit with our fellowship today. Our goal is to provide a warm, safe place to worship. Please note a few of the ministries we offer to make your time of worship more joyous:

- Nursery services for preschoolers age birth to 3.
- Children's sermon at the front with the pastor for all children following the welcome time.
- Children's church for all children pre-kindergarten and kindergarten during the 10:45 AM service. They may exit the worship center during the last Song of Worship.
- Loving adults to work with children with any disability.
- Bible study at 9:30 AM for people of all ages.

Please fill out the guest registration form located as a tear off section of this bulletin. You can place it in the offering plate at the conclusion of the service.

You are also encouraged to join our pastor in the foyer following the service for a brief time of fellowship.

If you would like to become a part of our fellowship, please come and share your desire with our pastor during the invitation time at the end of the service. It would be a joy to have you as a part of our church.

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Pre-service Music

“O Come, O Come Emmanuel”
Orchestra Brass

Baptism Bill Ingram

“Offering”

“Here I Am To Worship”

Prayer Allie McNider

Welcome Dr. Mitch Hamilton

Fellowship Song

“What Child Is This”

Children’s Sermon Dr. Mitch Hamilton

Lighting of Candle of Peace (8:00) Backhus Family
(10:45) Solano Family

Choral Worship Celebration Choir & Orchestra

“My Soul Does Magnify the Lord”
Evelyn Tarry, Solo

Songs of Worship

Hymn 100 **“Angels We Have Heard on High”**

Hymn 94 **“Angels, From the Realms of Glory”**

Hymn 93 **“It Came Upon the Midnight Clear”**

Children’s Church (2nd Service only)

All 4 & 5 year old children exit for Children’s Church

Message in Music Trio

“Come On, Ring Those Bells”
Marty Eiter, Ruthie Hasselblad, Cyndy Oberdier

Message from God’s Word Dr. Mitch Hamilton

“Christmas: What A Wonderful Time”
Galatians 4:1-7

Invitation

“All To Thee”

Offertory Prayer (8:00) Ruth Werzinski
(10:45) Shirley Gelushia

Sharing Ministries Allie McNider

Closing **“What Child Is This”**

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prayer Ministry Meeting

Sunday, December 16

If you believe prayer is central to the life of MABC and you would like to be a part of an intentional prayer effort, then this meeting is for you. Our pastor will lead a presentation for a prayer strategy for our church in 2008. Join us today in the Chapel immediately after the 10:45 Worship Service for a short meeting that will be packed with details, opportunities to serve and perhaps even a light lunch.

Upcoming Events

Below are the schedules for both Sunday and Wednesday evening activities through the remainder of 2007.

Wednesday Schedule

December 19 – Pastor Teaching Adults in Chapel

Children’s Activities as usual

December 26 – Christmas Break, No evening activities

Sunday Evenings (4:00 PM to 6:30 PM)

December 16 – Regular Schedule

December 23 – Christmas Break, No evening activities

December 30 – New Year Break, No evening activities

Christmas Eve Service

December 24 - 5:00 PM

We will finish the Advent season by gathering to hear the Christmas story and sing carols.

Pictorial Directory Distribution Scheduled

The 2007 Pictorial Directories have arrived. Those who participated in the directory may pick up their complimentary copies today. To receive your directory you will need to go to the tables in the foyer and sign for your copy. There will be three tables corresponding to your last name, A – G, H – P and Q – Z. Those wishing to purchase a directory will be able to do so at another date after the complimentary copies are distributed.

Women’s Events

All women of MABC. You are invited to BLinG - a night of celebration and worship on January 4, from 6:30 - 8:00 PM. Learn about the women’s events planned for 2008 and enjoy wonderful music from several talented women. Just remember BLinG! Believers Living in Grace. The event is free, but please indicate that you plan to attend by filling out a yellow envelope with the word BLinG and giving it to the Women’s Council representative in the foyer after the service.

Sanctuary Flower Sign-up

It’s that time again! If you would like to purchase flowers for the sanctuary for a Sunday next year, a sign-up sheet is available in the foyer. The cost of the flowers is \$45. For more information, please call Dee Wayman at 303-680-3764.

*Flowers today are given by
Doug & Pat Farrow
In Honor of their 25th Anniversary*

SERMON NOTES

“Christmas: What A Wonderful Time”

Galatians 4:1-7

Life Changing Opportunity

We have a service opportunity in our children’s Ministry. Our 2nd Grade Sunday School is in need of an assistant.

Qualifications:

- Love Jesus
- Love Children
- Desire for precious children to learn how much God and His Church Loves Them!

If God speaks to your heart regarding this special place of service, please see Gail or Allie. (Background checks are required of all Children and Youth Leaders.)