

Hope For Christmas
"The Meaning of Hope"
Luke 1:1-26

I. Hope doesn't mean the absence of _____ or even _____.

Luke 1:7...They had no children.

Luke 1:6...They were blameless.

Matthew 19:26...All things are possible with God.

Luke 1:13...His name is John.

II. Hope does mean that God has not _____ us!

Luke 1:11...An angel appears.

Luke 1:19...At the proper time.

"Faith is deliberate confidence in the character of God whose ways you may not understand at the time."— Oswald Chambers

III. Hope arises as we _____ our attention on Christ.

Luke 1:19-20...He is praying.

Luke 1:13...A life-long prayer.

Hebrews 12:2...Fix your eyes.

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CD's of the service are available. Just sign the request sheet at the Welcome Center. When it is ready, it will be placed in the basket for pick up.

I would like to get connected at Jackson Friends Church. Please send info about:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Life Groups | <input type="checkbox"/> Women's Ministry |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family Life Ministry | <input type="checkbox"/> Men's Ministry |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Ministry | <input type="checkbox"/> Senior Adult Ministry |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Children's Ministry | <input type="checkbox"/> Java House Ministry |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Music Ministry | <input type="checkbox"/> Nursery Ministry |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Meal Ministry | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sports and Rec Ministry | <input type="checkbox"/> College/ Young Adults |

Prayer Ministry

Please pray for me about _____

I give permission for this request to be shared with our church staff.

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Office Hours: Monday through Thursday 8:00am-3:00pm.

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Pastor Dave Tebbs



Welcome!

We are so glad that you came today. We hope this experience helps you in your journey of connecting with God and being transformed by Him. You were made for a personal relationship with God and our desire is to provide a place where you can come to know His Son, Jesus Christ, grow in your relationship with Him, and learn to serve Him daily. We are excited to have you join us on this journey.

~ Dave Tebbs,

Lead Pastor, Jackson Friends Church



Calendar December 12 – December 18

Sunday, December 12th

- 9:00am Blended Service
10:00am Children's Classes; Youth Groups; Life Groups
11:00am Blended Service
1:00pm Youth Futsal (gr. 7-12)
4:00pm Birthday Party for Jesus
7:00pm Senior High Christmas Party

Tuesday, December 14th

7:00am Men's Bible Study (Top of Viaduct)

Wednesday, December 15th

6:30pm Young Adults (at Bankert's)

7:00pm ProTeens & Middle School Christmas Party

8:00pm Senior High Youth (gr. 9-12)

Saturday, December 18th

3:00pm Christmas Caroling

8:00pm Youth Overnighter (gr. 5-8)

Visitors: We are so glad you came today! If this is your first time here, we invite you to stop by the Welcome Center to complete a "Connect" card and to pick up your free gift.

Church News:

Youth Futsal: The Middle School and Senior High Youth will be playing Futsal (gym soccer) on Sunday afternoons beginning TODAY. We will play in the gym from 1:00-4:00pm. Bring your friends for a fun afternoon!

Community Christmas: We are assisting 5 JFC families this year and tags are now available on the small trees in the lobby. We are also accepting monetary donations for family needs that cannot be purchased in other ways. Please mark your donations "Community Christmas". All gifts and donations need to be at the church by next Sunday, December 19th. Thank you for your continued support of this outreach for our church families.

Christmas Eve Offering: We will take a special offering at our Christmas Eve services to benefit missions.

Salvation Army Bell Ringing: JFC sponsors several locations for bell-ringing. Please see the table in the hallway and sign up to help for a one-hour time slot. Contact Ted Salsburg at 330-904-1561 for more details.

Staff Gifts: If you would like to contribute to a fund to provide a special cash gift to our office staff, please mark your offering envelope "Staff Christmas Gift" and indicate the amount.

2021 Contributions: As you think about year-end giving, please be aware that all contributions must be in the office or postmarked by Friday, December 31st for 2021 tax purposes.

Downtown Ministry: Since Feed My Sheep has concluded its services, if you would like to continue to support a downtown ministry, please mark your check or envelope "Canton Free Store". Carrie Maletich oversees this ministry, which provides clothing, groceries (including fresh foods), indoor restrooms, shower facilities, and more for those in need.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY Karen Tebbs ktebbs@jacksonfriends.org

Ladies' Bible Study: We will resume our Tuesday morning study in January.

MEN'S MINISTRY

Men's Bible Study: There is a men's Bible study held at the Top of the Viaduct Restaurant on Tuesdays at 7:00am.

YOUTH Moby Dick moby@jacksonfriends.org

Senior High Christmas Party: This evening at 7:00pm. Bring a gag gift if possible, and a donation of winter gear, blanket or canned food for local shelters.

ProTeens and Middle School Christmas Party: This Wed., Dec. 15th at 7:00pm (doors open at 6:00pm). Bring a gag gift if possible, and a donation of winter gear, blanket or canned food for local shelters.

Regular Meeting Times:

Sunday at 10:00am (all youth)

ProTeens & Middle School: (Gr. 5-8) Wednesdays at 6:30pm

Senior High: (Grades 9-12)

Sundays at 7:00pm; Wednesdays at 8pm

YOUNG ADULTS Joel Bankert jbankert@jacksonfriends.org

Our next gathering is this Wednesday, December 15th at 6:30pm at Joel & Abby Bankert's home. Contact Joel for details.

CHILDREN LeaMarie Nathaniel lnathaniel@jacksonfriends.org

Birthday Party for Jesus: TODAY from 4:00-7:00pm here at JFC!

11:00am Classes: 2nd through 5th graders are in the Clubhouse, while the 4-year-olds through 1st graders meet in the Campground Room.

Helpers Needed! Please contact Marty Shomali to help in the Nursery or Lea Nathaniel if interested in teaching elementary ages.

Nursery and Cry Room We offer loving nursery care for children from birth through (and including) 2 years old. If your child is not quite ready for the nursery but gets fussy during service, feel free to go to the Cry Room outside the sanctuary. There is one-way glass and a speaker so that you can continue to see and hear the service.



Guests, please complete the information below so that we may know of your presence.

Members, please indicate changes of any of your information.

Name _____ Phone _____ [] Guest
Address _____ [] Member
City _____ State _____ Zip _____ [] Regular
Email _____ Attender
Children's Name(s) and Grade/Age: [] Married [] Single

I would like to sign up:

_____ to receive periodic email updates (please clearly print your name and email above)

_____ to help in the nursery/preschool/elementary classes (circle preference)

_____ RSVP for Birthday Party for Jesus (Sunday, December 12th): _____ # of children

Ages of children: _____ Parents leaving _____ or staying _____

Christmas Events at JFC

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Christmas Caroling: Everyone is invited to go caroling this Saturday, December 18th. This is a great family activity and a way to serve others during this holiday season. Bundle up and meet at JFC at 3:00pm. We can carpool if needed, or if anyone needs a ride, please let us know. Let's visit our shut-ins and bring them some Christmas joy! Please sign up at the Welcome Center. Contact Debbie Gudat (at the office or 330-256-0584) if you have any questions.

Christmas Services:

- **Sunday, December 19th:** Join us at 9:00am or 11:00am for a service full of Christmas carols, special music, a dramatic reading and more!
- **Friday, December 24th:** Plan to come at either 5:00pm or 6:30pm for a special Christmas Eve service as you prepare to celebrate Jesus' birth.
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