

**God’s Test of Our Religion**

*James 1:26-27*

For What You Do to Be God-Approved, You Must:

I. Control Your T\_\_\_\_\_, v. 26

II. Care for the L\_\_\_\_\_, v. 27

III C\_\_\_\_\_ Your Life, v. 27

**Opportunities for the Week**

**Sunday, December 10, 2023**

9:30 AM Sunday School  
 10:30 AM Morning Worship\*  
 5:00 PM Adult Choir Practice  
 6:00 PM Adult Bible Study  
 116 KIDZ/TEENZ (Christmas Prog. Practice)

**Tuesday, December 12, 2023**

6:00 PM Ladies Christmas Dinner

**Wednesday, December 13, 2023**

6:30 PM Prayer Meeting & Bible Study  
 Children’s Christmas Program Practice

**Saturday, December 16, 2023**

5:30 PM Children’s Christmas Party  
 Youth Ugly Sweater Christmas Party

**Sunday, December 17, 2023**

9:30 AM Sunday School  
 10:30 AM Morning Worship\*  
 5:00 PM Adult Choir Practice  
 6:00 PM Farmdale Christmas Pageant  
 To Follow Annual Church Christmas Party

\*Facebook Livestream is available

**Financial Report**

Offering for December 3, 2023	<b>\$2,880.30</b>
Weekly amount needed to meet budget	\$3,320.98
Fiscal Year '24 Annual Budget	\$172,691.08
Required as of December 3, 2023	<b>\$33,209.80</b>
Received as of November 26, 2023	<b>\$27,112.28</b>
Lottie Moon Offering to Date	<b>\$650.00</b>

**How to Become a Member of Farmdale Baptist Church**

Any person may offer themselves in person as a candidate for membership in this church at any worship service in any of the following ways:

- 1) **Baptism** Upon a public profession of their faith in Jesus Christ as their Savior and a commitment of their life to him as Lord, a person may be received as a candidate for baptism.
- 2) **Letter** A person may be received upon presentation of or promise of a letter of dismissal from another church; provided they have received Jesus Christ as their Savior and Lord and have followed with baptism by immersion.
- 3) **Statement** A person may be received upon their statement of a prior conversion experience and baptism when no letter is obtainable.

**Farmdale Baptist Church**

Expositing the Scripture ~ Exalting the Savior

Equipping the Saints ~ Evangelizing Sinners



THIRD SUNDAY OF *Advent*

**December 10, 2023**

**Senior Pastor:** Rob Ginter  
**Associate Pastor:** Jonathan Bennett  
**Music Leader:** Benita Decker  
**Pianist:** Tommy Goins

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**Responding to God’s Word:**

1. **How does God want my beliefs and/or actions to change?**
2. **How can I specifically apply the truths I have learned to accomplish this change?**
3. **What is the first step I must take toward bringing about this change? Be specific.**

## Morning Worship

Prelude  
 Call to Worship *James 1:26-27*  
 "Tell the Good News"  
 Advent Candle *Joy*

**Tommy Goins**  
**Pastor Rob**  
**Hymn #566**  
**The Owens**

Worship and Praise  
 "Joy to the World"  
 "Joy Has Dawned"

**Hymn # 87**

Offertory Prayer  
 Worship through Giving\*

Message "God's Test of Our Religion"  
*James 1:26-27*

**Pastor Rob**

Hymn of Dedication & Response  
 "I Surrender All"

**Hymn #275**

Benediction "Go Tell It On the Mountain"  
 \*All Children are invited to go downstairs

An audio version of each Sunday's sermon is available online at:  
[www.farmdalebaptist.com](http://www.farmdalebaptist.com)  
 See Scotty Bryan or the sound technician for more information.

Serving Today in Children's Ministry	
Nursery	Shirl Eggers Jenny Bennett

### Watch the Screen!

This is a very busy time of the year for our church. Some activities and messages may not make it into the bulletin. Please watch the announcements on the screen each week to be sure you are informed of all the activities at Farmdale.



### Honor God in Your Giving

You may give by placing your offering in the offering plate or online at [farmdalebaptist.com/giving](http://farmdalebaptist.com/giving). You may also give by downloading the Generosity app on your phone or by texting "@farmdalebc" to 52014.

## Evening Worship

Welcome and Prayer  
 Opening Hymn  
 "The First Nowell"  
 Bible Study *Proverbs*

**Hymn #85**  
**Pastor Rob**



*Presented by*  
 The Children, Youth, & Adult Choir  
*Next Sunday @ 6:00 PM*



### Annual Churchwide Christmas Party Next Sunday Night, Following the Program



Please bring a snack/finger food and/or dessert and join the fellowship!



## Christmas Food Boxes

We will be distributing 25 food boxes this Saturday. See Jane Ann or Scotty Bryan if you would like to help with the box preparations and for any additional needed items. Thank you, church, for your generosity. Your donations have made this ministry effort possible.

*Ladies Christmas Dinner*  
 Annual  
 All women are invited!  
**This Tuesday @ 6:00 PM**  
 Bring a friend.  
 Childcare provided!



*Christmas Card Post Office*  
 Today – Dec. 17  
 Feel free to bring cards for folks who regularly attend.  
 Cost is 50¢ per card.  
 All proceeds go to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

Happy Birthday!	12/10	Clinton Young
	12/13	Jeremy Weaver
	12/15	Anissa Young
	12/16	Jodie Dudley



## Impacting Lostness Together

Reaching the nations together. That is what Southern Baptists are doing when we give to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering (LMCO). 100% of your offering goes to enable gospel transformation among the unreached peoples around the world. Prayerfully consider what you and your family will give this year to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. Our church goal is: \$2,500. Given to date: \$650.00

🎵 Adult Choir Practice: Today @ 5:00 PM 🎵



### 116 KIDZ Pageant Practices

- Today during the sermon.
- Tonight during 116 KIDZ (6:00 PM)
- Wednesday at 6:30 PM



It is important to tell the people you encounter this season about the real meaning of Christmas and invite them to church.

## ~Everyday in the WORD~

### Join us in reading the Bible through in 2023

There is a PDF copy of the daily plan in the foyer. It is also available on the YouVersion app, accessible on your phone or other device.

This week's reading assignment:

**Zechariah 7-14 ~ Malachi 1-4 ~ Isaiah 51-57**  
**Revelation 1-4**

## Acts 1:8 Weekly Prayer Focus

*Praying for God's Kingdom to reach our Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, and the ends of the earth.*

Please pray this week for the following local church, North American Mission Board (NAMB) missionary and unreached people group (UPG). Watch the screens during the announcements and Morning Worship for specifics about each prayer focus.

Local Church	<b>The Providence Baptist Church</b> Frankfort Pastor-Steve Rose
NAMB	<b>Jonathan &amp; Melissa Parnell</b> Mercy Hill Chapel Indianapolis, IN
UPG	<b>The Talieng</b> (TAH-lee-ehng) in Laos