

**What a Beautiful Name:** "Immanuel"  
*Dr. Tim Maynard - Sunday, December 17, 2017*  
 Matthew 1:18-25

God is with us in our H\_\_\_\_\_

God is with us in our S\_\_\_\_\_

God is with us in our R\_\_\_\_\_

## Weekly Calendar

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17

Worship Service/Sunday School/Children's Worship	9:30 am
Welcome Center/Worship Center Patio	10:40 am
Worship Service/Sunday School	11:00 am
Welcome Center/Worship Center Patio	12:15 pm
r12 Student Pipeline Meeting/The Studio	5:00 pm
Celebration Choir & Orchestra <b>Night of Worship</b> /Worship Center	6:00 pm
The Gathering Feast for College/on the back field	7:30 pm

### MONDAY, DECEMBER 18

Men's Basketball/ROC-Gym	5:30 am
Fruit Cove Fitness Workouts/Annex-Rm 100 * No Child Care *	6:00 am
Fruit Cove Fitness Workouts/Annex-Rm 100 * No Child Care *	8:15 am
Fruit Cove Fitness Workouts/Annex-Rm 100	9:45 am
Impact Cheer Practice/ROC-Gym	5:00 pm
Alcoholics Anonymous/Annex-Rm 106	6:00 pm

### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19

Memory Enhancement Program/Bldg A-Rm 106	10:00 am
Career+Care/Bldg 1	6:30 pm
Fruit Cove Fitness Workouts/Annex-Rm 100 * No Child Care *	6:30 pm
Men's Basketball/ROC-Gym	8:00 am

### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20

Fruit Cove Fitness Workouts/Annex-Rm 100 * No Child Care *	6:00 am
Fruit Cove Fitness Workouts/Annex-Rm 100 * No Child Care *	8:15 am
Fruit Cove Fitness Workouts/Annex-Rm 100	9:45 am
r12 High School Leaders' Christmas Party/at the Simmons' home	6:30 pm
Celebration Choir & Orchestra Christmas Eve Rehearsal/Worship Center	7:00 pm
Al-Anon/Annex-Rm 102	8:00 pm
Gamblers Anonymous/Annex-Rm 105	8:00 pm
Alcoholics Anonymous/Annex-Rm 106	8:30 pm

### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21

Fruit Cove Fitness Workouts/Annex-Rm 100	6:00 am
Memory Enhancement Program/Bldg A-Rm 106	10:00 am
Fruit Cove Fitness Workouts/Annex-Rm 100	6:30 pm
Yesha/Bldg A-Rm 100	6:30 pm
Men's Basketball/ROC-Gym	8:30 pm

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22

Men's Basketball/ROC-Gym	5:30 am
Fruit Cove Fitness Workouts/Annex-Rm 100	9:45 am
Open Gym (3-6:00pm)/ROC-Gym	3:00 pm

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23

Men's Basketball/ROC-Gym	7:00 am
Yesha/Bldg A-Rm 100	9:00 am
Alcoholics Anonymous/AX-Rm 106	7:30 pm

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24

Traditional Christmas Eve Service * No Child Care *	11:00 am
Traditional Christmas Eve Service * No Child Care *	4:00 pm
Traditional Christmas Eve Service * No Child Care *	6:00 pm

December 17, 2017

# The Vine

For the troubled  
 He gave a Wonderful Counselor

For the powerless  
 He gave a Mighty God

For the orphaned  
 He gave an Everlasting  
 Father

For the distressed  
 He gave a Prince of Peace

For a lost world  
 He gave a begotten Son



# Christmas at the Cove Tonight @ 6 pm in the Worship Center

**Christmas Night of Worship**  
*with our Celebration Choir & Orchestra*  
 6 pm in the Worship Center

Childcare provided for children birth - Kindergarten

## Next Sunday

**December 24: Traditional Christmas Eve Services**  
 11:00 am, 4:00 pm & 6:00 pm  
 (Choose one - all services identical)

### Our Invitation to You

At the end of each service a public invitation is given. At this time you are invited to go to the front of the worship center where our Pastor or another designated counselor will assist you.

### You may become a member of our church family in any one of the following ways:

1. By profession of faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, to be followed by believer's baptism (immersion).
2. By transferring your membership from another Southern Baptist church where you are now a member. Our church will write for your letter of transfer.
3. By statement of your prior conversion and baptism in another Christian church or as a candidate for baptism.

The basis of authentic church membership comes through trusting Jesus Christ as one's personal Lord and Savior. If you would like to know more about the Christian life or if you have any other questions regarding church membership, please feel free to talk with our pastoral staff or one of our deacons.

**Deacon of the week: Gary Wilder**



### MINISTERIAL STAFF

- Dr. Tim Maynard, Pastor
- Dr. Neal Cordle, Executive Pastor
- Rev. Brian Wootter, Worship Pastor
- Rev. Jonathan Wilson, Minister to Families and Missions
- Rev. Charles Ragland, Minister to Senior Adults
- Rev. Joshua Glymph, Minister to High School
- Rev. Jason Stanland, Minister to Middle School
- Rev. Neil Muniz, SportsLife Minister
- Mrs. Ginna Ashby, Preschool Ministries Director
- Mrs. Melissa Goodman, Children's Ministries Director
- Mrs. Linda Warne, Women's Ministries Director

## From Pastor Tim

As I write this, Hanukkah has begun. The Jewish Festival of Lights is underway around the world. Hanukkah lamps are everywhere. It was in a similar celebration in Jerusalem that Jesus stood and cried out, "I am the Light of the World."

The Advent candles used in homes and by churches on Advent Sundays build the anticipation of the coming of Christmas. Light has come.

The Christmas lights are strung around our homes and Christmas trees, shrubbery and thanks to the invention of LED lights, even inside a few cars and trucks I've seen! What is Christmas without light?

And who better to call us to be light to the world than Jesus. This is one of those interesting places where Jesus calls Himself something, and then calls us the same thing. He never says, "You are the Bread of Life," or "You are the Gate to the sheepfold," or "You are the great Shepherd."

But He does say "you are the light of the world." You. Me. We reflect a light given us in Jesus. We are not to hide it, or be ashamed of it. It is His glory "rubbing off" on us. He said, "No one lights a candle and puts it under a basket." That would be like taking two days to untangle your mile and a half of lights, painstakingly putting them up... and then never turning them on!

We are to "let it shine." He came that we might KNOW light, and that we might SHOW light. And there's no better time to let your light shine than Christmas. So as you travel your path to Christmas this year...

...light the way to Jesus.

"The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them the light has shone." (Isaiah 9:2)

*God of Light, Lord of Glory, to You alone does all the praise belong. We are people who once walked in darkness but now, because You have sent the Light of the world in Jesus, we walk in great light. May we truly reflect that Light who came into the world for a world still living in the darkness of sin and lostness. May our light never be hid from their view. Through our Savior we pray, Amen.*

### Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

December is traditionally the time that our church emphasizes international mission efforts. But have you ever wondered why? Or who is Lottie Moon?

Check out [fruitcove.com/lottie](http://fruitcove.com/lottie) to learn more about this special missionary and why this offering is so special.

### Lottie Moon Offering

Given through last Sunday: \$43,872.41

Our Goal: \$110,000



MidWeek Adult Classes begin Wednesday, January 10

- "THE HAPPINESS CODE" 8 Decisions That Will Change Your Life
- When Helping Hurts
- Women's Bible Study
- Christ Centered Parenting: Complex Cultural Issues
- Route 66: Bible Book Study, Romans
- Men's Bible Study: 33 The Series
- Fruit Cove Fitness
- Faith Journey for New Believers...first and next steps
- Financial Peace University
- Prevail: Single Moms
- GriefShare

Full listing and info at [Fruitcove.com/midweek](http://Fruitcove.com/midweek)

### WDPS 2018/2019 Registration Dates

- January 12, 2018 at 9:30a.m - Church Members Only
- January 19, 2018 at 9:30a.m - Existing Students
- January 26, 2018 at 8:30a.m - New Students

Registration will take place on the first floor of the ROC at the preschool offices.

### For 2017 tax credit

all year end contributions must be received or postmarked by December 31.

Contributions can be dropped through the office door slot or in the drop boxes around campus.

## Looking Ahead

### The Gathering Feast

for HS Seniors & College Students  
Sunday, December 17 @ 7:30 pm on the back field Volleyball in the gym afterwards.

### r12 High School Leaders' Christmas Party

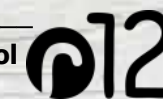
Wednesday, December 20  
7 pm at the home of Sherri Simmons

### EPIC Night for r12 High School

Sunday, Jan. 14, 2018

Cost: \$75 per person - register: [fruitcove.com/students/hsevents](http://fruitcove.com/students/hsevents)

FEATURING... REBOUNDERZ, CHIKFILA, AUTOBAHN, ICESKATING, SWAG!! - This is an outreach, so we are encouraging high schoolers to BRING THEIR FRIENDS!



### Upward Basketball & Cheer

1st Game is January 20  
Cheer: K-6th grade  
Basketball: K-8th grade  
Season is January 6th - March 10th

### COACHES & ASSISTANT COACHES ARE NEEDED

Contact: Neil Muniz or Lisa Sheffield  
[sportslife@fruitcove.com](mailto:sportslife@fruitcove.com)  
or call the church office 287-0996

### "Be Amazed" Banquet

Friday, January 26 @ 6 pm in ROC-Fellowship Hall  
Cost: \$15

Dinner catered by Carraba's and program **GODSCIENCE** by Stephen Wilson  
Sign up in Sunday School or call church office  
Sponsored by the Senior Adult Ministry



### Middle School Ministry

### Winter Chill Out Ice Skating

Friday, January 26  
Cost: \$20

**\*\* First 70 get chauffeured on a party bus \*\***

### 8th Grade Spring Jersey Mission Trip

TRIP A: MAR 22-25 or TRIP B: MAR 24-27  
If you are interested in either of these dates for the Jersey City Mission trip, contact Lisa Hess  
[lisa@fruitcove.com](mailto:lisa@fruitcove.com)

## Season of Giving

**Referees, Prayer Partners, and Gospel Sharers** needed for the Upward **Basketball & Cheer** season. More info? Email: [sportslife@fruitcove.com](mailto:sportslife@fruitcove.com)

**RA Birdhouses are coming**  
**Get yours cause they'll fly off the shelves!**  
All proceeds will go to the Lottie Moon Offering

### POINSETTIAS

Consider purchasing a poinsettia in memory or honor of a loved one. Please use the insert and fill out and turn in with \$7.50/poinsettia.

**All proceeds will be given to Lottie Moon Christmas Offering**

*Poinsettias can be picked up after the LAST Christmas Eve service*

## Happy New Year!

### New Year's Eve Sunday Service Schedule

11:00 Worship Service only  
Preschool Sunday School only

### Fruit Cove Fitness

More classes & workout coming in January!

Come check us out and get committed to a stronger and healthier you

Please respect our neighbors and reserve the Burger King lot for their customers

*Additional parking is available across from the Worship Center at Regions Bank.*