



A Special Child

Luke 2:22-35 (ESV)

Sunday, December 7, 2025

Dr. Greg Ammons, Senior Pastor
Mark Hill, Associate Pastor,
Minister of Music and Worship



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Orders of Worship

8:30 a.m. TRADITIONAL

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC Jerry Stephens
PRELUDE – “In Thee Is Gladness” Richard Ponder
WELCOME AND PRAYER Dr. Greg Ammons, Senior Pastor

Celebration of Advent “Peace”

“Hark! The Herald Angels Sing”

“It Came Upon the Midnight Clear”

“Silent Night”

PRAYER Mark Hill, Minister of Music and Worship

“Baroque Christmas Festival” Worship Choir

MESSAGE Pastor

Accompanists Richard Ponder, Organ; Georgia Kornegay, Piano

11:00 a.m. CONTEMPORARY BLEND

WELCOME AND PRAYER Pastor

Celebration of Advent “Peace”

“Angels from the Realms of Glory”

“Your Name”

“O Come All You Unfaithful”

PRAYER Dane Hernandez, Minister of Young Adults and Assimilation

MESSAGE Pastor

Christmas Eve Worship Service
Wednesday, December 24, at 5 p.m.
Mount Hebron Missionary Baptist Church
1233 TX-66, Garland, 75040
Join us as we sing and celebrate the newborn King!
No childcare or livestream available

Welcome, Guests! We'd Like To Hear From You.

Please stop by the Welcome Center to pick up a gift from FBCG.
Let us know about your visit or ask a question by scanning the
QR code at right or texting “[connect2us](#)” to [972-210-0058](#).



**Financial Giving Since New Fiscal Year
Through Week 9**

Budget Required	\$1,187,135
Budget Received	\$1,103,471
Legacy Offering Received To Date	\$9,757,550

**Week of Prayer for International Missions
and Lottie Moon Offering**

Now through Sunday, December 7, daily mission stories are located on our website at fbcgarland.org/missions, and each has a specific emphasis about International Missions and the work being done through the International Mission Board. If you would like to make an offering, please designate on your envelope or online for Lottie Moon at fbcgarland.org/giving. 100% of the offering goes to support missionaries. Read more about the IMB and Lottie Moon Christmas Offering at imb.org/pray/week-of-prayer/ Contact: Teresa Brown, 972-276-7194, x288, or teresab@fbcgarland.org



Jesus Has Come!

Presented by First Praise and Kids' Praise Choirs

Date: Sunday, December 7

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: MAC Fellowship Hall

Details: Our Preschool and Children's Choirs present their Christmas program.

Contact: Tamara Palmer, 972-276-7194, x241, or tamarap@fbcgarland.org



Christmas Bag Delivery for Home Ministry

Date: Sunday, December 7

Time: Before and After Worship Services

Location: Preschool Lobby by the elevator and MAC Lobby by the main entrance

Details: Volunteers are needed to deliver gift bags to our members who are homebound, hospitalized, or in rehab. You can show your love by choosing a gift bag and delivering it any time before Christmas.

Contact: Terri Carter, 469-429-2579, or terric@fbcgarland.org



Wonderful News!

**Worship Choir, Orchestra, Youth Choirs, and
Living Sacrifice Ensemble**

Date: Sunday, December 14

Time: 5:00 p.m.

Location: Mount Hebron Missionary Baptist Church
1233 Highway 66 Garland, 75040

Details: Join us for an evening of Christmas worship! There is no childcare available for this event, and we are unable to offer it by livestream.

Contact: Tamara Palmer, 972-276-7194, x241, or tamarap@fbcgarland.org



Jordan Mission Trip Interest Meeting

Date: Sunday, December 7 (Trip date: March 28–April 4)

Time: 12:15 p.m.

Location: MAC 272

Details: Our mission team will work among the refugee people to fit them with glasses. Eyeglass training will be offered before the trip as needed.

Contact: Missions Office, 972-276-7194, x233, Jim Witt, jimw@fbcgarland.org, or x288, Teresa Brown, teresab@fbcgarland.org

Christmas PJs Pancake Picnic For Children and Families

Date: Wednesday, December 17

Time: 6:15 p.m.–7:45 p.m.

Location: MAC 285

Details: Children and families, join us for pancakes, a Christmas craft, and the Nativity story! This is a free event.

Register: fbcgarland.org/children

Contact: Sarah Wyatt, 469-429-2576, or sarahw@fbcgarland.org



Year-End Giving

As we come to the end of 2025, we appreciate the fact that many of you consider year-end gifts to the ministries of FBC Garland. It is our policy, consistent with IRS regulations, that all gifts must be either received or postmarked by December 31 to receive credit in 2025. All year-end gifts not given in the regular offering by Sunday, December 28, need to be mailed to the church at 801 W Ave D, Garland, TX 75040 and postmarked on or before December 31. Any gifts given through our online giving page should be completed on or before December 31 for 2025 credit.

DiscipleNow Weekend

For Students in Grades 6–12

Date: January 16–18, 2026

Time: 6:00 p.m. on Friday–12:30 p.m. on Sunday

Location: First Baptist Garland & Host Homes

Cost: \$85

Details: For more information and to register visit fbcgarland.org/students
(Registration deadline is December 7)

Contact: Alyson Davidson, 972-276-7194, x284, or alysond@fbcgarland.org



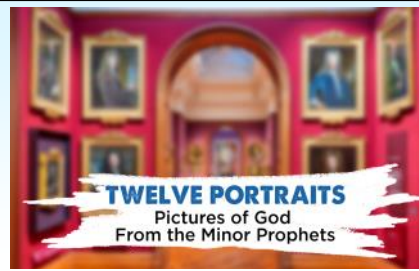
Thank You For Joining Us Today!



Wednesday Bible Study Series

"Twelve Portraits: Pictures of God From the Minor Prophets"

Join us in Fellowship Hall at 6:15 p.m. this week as Dr. Greg Ammons continues a 12-week Bible study on the 12 Minor Prophets. You may also watch the service online at fbcgarland.org/watch-live.



Sunday Morning Sermon Series

"A New Day"

How do we respond when God does something new? Beginning January 10, we will launch a sermon series to correspond with the remainder of our time in the MAC until our new worship center is completed. This season will lead to a brand-new building which will mark a new day for First Baptist Garland. In the same way, the book of Acts marked A New Day for the people of God. Join us for the next 60 weeks as we embark on a verse-by-verse series through the book of Acts!



Wednesday Evening Fellowship Supper

Order/pay online between Thursday morning and the following Wednesday at noon. Dine in or carry out at the McDonald Activity Center, 5:00 p.m.–5:45 p.m.

fbcgarland.org/fellowship-supper



Holiday Schedule

Church Office

Open Wednesday, December 24

8:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

Closed Thursday, December 25–

Friday, January 2

McDonald Activity Center

Open Wednesday, December 24

8:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

Closed Thursday, December 25–

Friday, December 26

Full holiday hours for the McDonald Activity Center
available at fbcgarland.org/recreation



Saturday Evening Worship Service Begins January 10

Many volunteer positions are open to staff our upcoming Saturday Evening Worship Service. Services will meet at 5:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Volunteer by scanning the QR code.



When they saw the star, they rejoiced.

Matthew 2:10



5 EASY WAYS TO GIVE

OFFERING PLATE

WEBSITE

CHURCH APP

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Offering plates available with our ushers at exits each Sunday

fbcgarland.org/giving

Search for "fbc garland" in the Apple Store/Google Play

fbcgarland to 833-360-7243

Attn: Business Office 801 W Ave D, Garland, TX 75040

Sermon Notes

Dr. Greg Ammons, Senior Pastor

Please silence electronic devices.

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A.

B.

C.

Luke 2:22–35

²²And when the time came for their purification according to the Law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord ²³(as it is written in the Law of the Lord, “Every male who first opens the womb shall be called holy to the Lord”) ²⁴and to offer a sacrifice according to what is said in the Law of the Lord, “a pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons.” ²⁵Now there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon, and this man was righteous and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. ²⁶And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord’s Christ. ²⁷And he came in the Spirit into the temple, and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him according to the custom of the Law, ²⁸he took him up in his arms and blessed God and said, ²⁹“Lord, now you are letting your servant depart in peace, according to your word; ³⁰for my eyes have seen your salvation ³¹that you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, ³²a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to your people Israel.” ³³And his father and his mother marveled at what was said about him. ³⁴And Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, “Behold, this child is appointed for the fall and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign that is opposed ³⁵(and a sword will pierce through your own soul also), so that thoughts from many hearts may be revealed.”