

May the love of Jesus be your most precious gift!

Merry Christmas

Marbleton Community Free Will Baptist Church

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WELCOME

Week of December 14, 2025 Schedule of Services:

Sunday School 10:00 A.M.

Sunday Morning Worship Service 10:45 A.M.

Christmas Treat Bags will be distributed after services this morning.

Merry Christmas from your church!

Sunday Evening - CHRISTMAS AT MARBLETON:

Our **Christmas Program** will be presented at the **church** at 6:00 P.M. Following the program, we will proceed to the **Fellowship Hall** for our **Christmas Fellowship**. Each family will need to bring some type of finger food (sandwiches, sausage/cheese balls, chips, snack foods, candy/cookies, etc.) and a drink. Ladies, please feel free to wear slacks as the Fellowship Hall tends to be a little nippy.

Wednesday, Mid-Week Worship Service 7:00 P.M.

Happy Anniversary: Nathan & Brandy Brinkley (Dec. 9th)

YOUR INVITATION: Gage Dugger and Madison Poulter will be exchanging vows here at the church on December 28th at 5 P.M. A reception will follow the wedding at the Fellowship Hall. Please join us as we celebrate the union of this wonderful couple.

Youth Activity – Dinner and a ride around Bristol Motor Speedway in Lights Dec. 23rd. The group will depart from the church at 5 P.M. There is a sign-up sheet in the vestibule.



What's all this hectic rush and worry?
Where go these crowds who run and scurry?

Why all the lights—the Christmas trees?
The jolly "fat man," tell me, please!

Why, don't you know?

This is the day for parties, fun and play;
Why, this is Christmas!

So this is Christmas, do you say?

But where is Christ this Christmas Day?

Has He been lost among the throng?

His voice drowned out by empty song?

No, He's not here—you'll find Him where
some humble soul now kneels in prayer,

Who knows the Christ of Christmas.

But see the many aimless thousands
who gather on this Christmas Day,
whose hearts have never yet been opened,
or said to Him, "Come in to stay."

In countless homes the candles burning,
in countless hearts expectant yearning

for gifts and presents, food and fun,
and laughter till the day is done.

But not a tear or grief or sorrow
for Him so poor He had to borrow
a crib, a colt, a boat, a bed
where He could lay His weary head.

I'm tired of all this empty celebration,
of feasting, drinking, recreation;
I'll go instead to Calvary.

And there I'll kneel with those who know

the meaning of that manger low,
and find the CHRIST—this Christmas.

I leap by faith across the years
to that great day when He appears
the second time, to rule and reign,
to end all sorrow, death, and pain.

In endless bliss we then shall dwell
with Him Who saved our souls from hell,

and worship CHRIST—not Christmas!

M.R. DeHaan, M.D.

THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS

'Twas the night before Christmas, and all through the world
A message was preached, a challenge was hurled:

Believe on the Son and thou shall be saved!

The road to heaven with His blood was paved.

Out of the darkness of sin and despair

God's salvation—the fairest of fair—

Was born in a manger; no room in the inn.

God in the flesh, He died for our sin.

The angels sang: the shepherds rejoiced,
Messiah has come! The message was voiced

By joyous believers both far and near;

Christmas has come! Immanuel is here!

R.B. Thieme, Jr.