SERMON NOTES

STORIES OF HOPE told through the Shepherds

Luke 2:8-20 December 14, 2025

"NOTICE: The sanctuary area is often used for live broadcast, or recording, of audio, video and photography. If you have concerns about a particular event, or about this policy, please alert Midlothian Bible Church staff."

WELCOME TO MBC.

SERVICE TIMES

Sunday - 8, 9 & 10:45 AM Wednesday - 6:30-8 PM

UPCOMING EVENTS

Angel Tree

Present drop-off in the Hub

Christmas Eve Candle Light Service

• 5 pm & 7 pm

Women's Summitt

- January 16-17 at MBC
- \$40
- Register on Church Center

Re-Engage Spring 2026

- Begins January 14th
- Register on Church Center

Merge Premarital 8 Week Class

- Seriously dating or engaged couples, not married
- Begins January 14th
- Register on Church Center



CONNECT WITH US

Are you new to MBC? Please let us know you were here by scanning the QR code to fill out our connect card. If this is your first time with us we have a gift for you at the connect desk. We cannot wait to meet you!

ADVENT RECAP

"The Joy Candle represents the joy of Christ's coming and the celebration of His birth. The pink color reflects a shift from repentance to joy as we draw closer to Christmas. Matthew writes in Matthew 2:10-11: "When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh." Having joy doesn't mean that we will always be happy. However, it does mean that we can rejoice even through our suffering, not because our suffering is good, but because the Lord is good. Jesus said, These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full."

Prayer: God of Joy, we light this pink candle to celebrate the joy You brought into the world through Jesus. Fill our hearts with the same joy that the shepherds and wise men felt upon seeing Christ. May we spread this joy to others, letting it shine through our words and actions. Amen.

