

Pea Ridge Baptist Church

"To Know Christ and Make Him Known!"

January 2008

From the Pastor...

Let's Pray!

As the new year begins and we start looking toward 2008, there are many exciting things happening in our church. As I have been praying about our church studies and activities for this year, one thing keeps coming to my mind...prayer! All that we do must begin with prayer. Prayer is one of the most important activities for Christians and for our church. As we seek the face of God, I know God will bring clear vision, unity and peace in our individual lives and congregation. A few years ago, I found some quotes on prayer. I shared them with you in a previous newsletter and I want to share them with you again.

"The main lesson about prayer is just this: Do it! Do it! DO IT! You want to be taught to pray. My answer is: pray and never faint, and then you shall never fail." John Laidlaw

"Prayer does not fit us for the greater work; prayer is the greater work." Oswald Chambers

"God does nothing but by prayer, and everything with it." John Wesley

"If the church would only awaken to her responsibility of intercession, we could well evangelize the world in a short time. It is not God's plan that the world be merely evangelized ultimately. It should be evangelized in every generation. There should be a constant gospel witness in every corner of the world so that no sinner need close his eyes in death without hearing the gospel, the good news of salvation through Christ." T.S. Hegre

"Next to the wonder of seeing my Savior will be, I think, the wonder that I made so little use of the power of prayer." D.L. Moody

"No one's a firmer believer in the power of prayer than the devil; not that he practices it, but he suffers from it." Guy H. King

"Our praying, however, needs to be pressed and pursued with an energy that never tires, a persistency which will not be denied, and a courage which never fails." E.M. Bounds

"Where there is much prayer, there will be much of the Spirit; where there is much of the Spirit, there will be ever-increasing prayer." Andrew Murray

"Every great movement of God can be traced to a kneeling figure." D.L. Moody

The scriptures tell us that Jesus said, "My house shall be a house of prayer" (Luke 19: 46). In the days ahead, I want to challenge each of you to pray...pray...pray. Not just by yourself, but with your family and a friend...not just for your needs, but for the people of the world...not just occasionally, but daily and endlessly. My heart has been challenged and I trust yours will be as well. Join me as we open our lives to the movement of God through prayer. I know you will be blessed!

Pastor Greg Creasy

"When God's People Pray"

Sunday evenings in January

Discover the power of God to restore hope, ignite faith, work miracles, and change lives — through prayer.

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January

- 1 Everetta Boyd
Jim & Joyce Frazier
- 3 Chad Forth
- 4 Jared Pullen
Juanita Arbaugh
Janessa Midkiff
- 5 Kathleen Napier
- 6 Matthew Wheeler
Bill Wright
- 7 *David & Liz Groves*
Brad & Sherri Ransbottom
- 8 Holden Whitt
Evan Ferguson
- 11 *J. W. & Paula Bowen*
Samuel Porter
Dwayne Heck
- 12 Mike Ellis
- 13 Mitzi Ellis
- 14 Leigh Ann Creasy
- 15 Chelsea Ellis
Katrina Heck
- 16 Jacque J. Shea
Thoris Lee
Kelly Parsons
- 18 Doris Harman
- 22 Baylee Smith
Carl Dillman
- 24 Joyce Jordan
- 25 Janie Brownfield
- 26 Austin Ray
- 27 Charlotte Smith
- 28 Brooke Estep
- 31 Mason Estep

**OUR GOAL:
\$118,000**

Remodeling / Construction Update

Work completed or in the process of completion ...

- ✓ Upgrade the kitchen
- ✓ Painting and repair of the exterior
- ✓ Replacement of sanctuary pew cushions
- ✓ Replacement lighting for the sanctuary (delivered-to be installed)
- ✓ Folding partitions for Fellowship Hall for classroom space
- Video system upgrades

- Long term...*
- More parking space
 - More property
 - Handicap upgrades on building
 - ✓ (Handicap parking spaces)
 - A multipurpose building

*As the donations add up, more of the upgrades will be checked off our list.
Watch for further updates in the newsletters and bulletins.*



**Cash Donations
\$68,198.15**
**Commitment Pledges
\$105,317.00**

Pledge amount is total cash & pledged money.
Last update ... December 23



Thank you to the different church groups for getting their information in so quickly this month. It was a fast turn-around and your help was much appreciated!

The February Newsletter deadline will be Sunday, **January 20**. Possible February newsletter ideas:

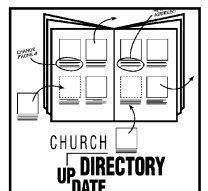
Remembering Christmas or other Wintertime activities, personal memories or thoughts, jokes, as well as recipes and personal topic articles, poems or announcements. We are always looking for information from our various church groups. If you have any suggestions, please contact Connie in the office.



2008 Offering Envelopes are available in the office.

2008 Directory

The 2008 Budget has been approved and the open committee positions have been filled. The 2008 Directory will be completed soon. Our directory works as a contact list for church activities. You do not have to be a member to be included. If you are not in the 2007 Directory or if any information has changed, please let us know ASAP, so we can make the necessary updates. Contact the church office at (304) 736-5572 or send an e-mail to prbc@wvdsi.net with the additions or changes. Get those updates in today!



What the New Year Offers

A chance to better control stress and anxiety in body and spirit.

Check out the calendar for more church activities & special dates!

CHURCH NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser

for Sarah Beth Napier's
Love Your Guts Foundation

January 12, 4:00-8:00 pm

Tickets: \$5 Adults/ \$3 Child
Tickets & Flyers available in the office

To help, contact...

Kim Warnock 886-9127

or Kelli Estep 733-3551

Next planning meeting... January 6, 5:00 pm

WEDNESDAY EVENING DINNERS

Needed...Volunteers!

Now Seeking Cooks & Kitchen Cleaners

See Betty McClure (736-4818)



Jan. 2 _____

Jan. 9 _____

Jan. 16 Betty & Betty's Chicken

Jan. 23 - Louie & Johnna Gaunch

Jan 30 _____

Feb. 6 _____

Feb. 13 - Kim Warnock

Feb. 20 _____

Feb. 27 _____

March 5 _____

March 12 _____

March 19 _____

March 26 _____

April 2 _____

April 9 _____

April 16 - Kim Warnock

April 23 _____

April 30 _____

Check us out on the web!

www.pearidgebaptist.com

BSA TROOP 59's ANNUAL

All You Can Eat!!!

Pancake Breakfast



Saturday, January 26

7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

PRBC Fellowship Hall

Tickets on sale NOW...

\$6 for Adults / \$4 for Kids

See Kramer Kaplan, Blake Creasy,
Luke Creasy or Remington McClure
for your tickets today!



Women's Bible Study

Beginning January 13



The Single Moms' Sunday School class (in the FH) would like to invite any woman interested in participating in a seven week Bible Study. "Do You Think I'm Beautiful?" by Angela Thomas seeks to bridge the gap between the life a woman longs for and the life she actually has. The cost of the member book is \$10.95.

If interested, please call the Church office by January 2nd so member books can be ordered.

Ruth Kendall has been released from the hospital. Her new address is ...

Ruth Kendall, Room 116
Heritage Center Genesis Eldercare
101 13th Street
Huntington, WV 25701

PRBC Happenings



Janessa Midkiff

1 Hallison Circle
Milton, WV 25541

Janessa is the daughter of Jon and Amber Midkiff of Milton. She has one brother, Caleb. She graduated from Cabell Midland High School and is attending Putnam Career and Technical Center. She will be an LPN upon graduation.

Janessa is engaged to Jeremy Heck. They are planning an August wedding here at Pea Ridge Baptist.

Janessa's hobbies include shopping, fishing, skiing, and of course, planning her and Jeremy's wedding.

We welcome Janessa into our church family.

...**Big Thank You** to our hard-working Nominating Committee

... and **thanks** to all who have volunteered their time and committed themselves to working on our various 2008 committees.

... a complete listing will be in the 2008 Directory.



"All right, the motion to call a plumber passes, four to two."

UPCOMING YOUTH ACTIVITIES

The youth will be having a painting party on Friday evening January 4 from 5:00-10:00 pm. We will finish painting some items that were added to the room after our original project just over a year ago. We will provide pizza and drinks. Please come out and help us improve the look of the room.

On Saturday, January 5 the youth will be going ice skating. Weather permitting, we will skate at Putnam County's new outdoor ice skating facility, if the weather doesn't cooperate we will skate at the South Charleston rink.

On Sunday evening January 20, the youth will meet at the church at 6:00 pm and then we will go bowling. Parents will need to pick up their kids at the bowling alley. More information will be provided.



The ABW thanks all who donated, wrapped and supported our Gift Wrapping Booth at the Mall.

We invite you to our next meeting to see how the money will be used... Monday, January 21.

www.LoveYourGuts.com

Sarah Napier has been struggling with cancer for the last couple of years. She has gone through numerous treatments and procedures.

We ask that you continue to pray for her healing.

Thank you for your Christmas card donations which have been sent to the Love Your Guts Foundation.

NEXT...A Spaghetti dinner, January 12, 4:00-8:00 pm hosted by the Pea Ridge Baptist Church family. Tickets (\$5 adult/ \$3 child) and flyers are available through the church office. To help, contact Kim Warnock (740)-886-9127 or Kelli Estep 733-3551.

All donations appreciated.

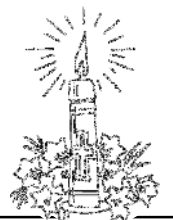
To make a donation:

"The Love Your Guts Foundation"

c/o Sarah Beth Napier
191 North Queens Court
Huntington, WV 25705

Or call Jerri Black @ 633-8708.

And please continue to pray!



The Deadline for the February Newsletter will be January 20th!

PRBC Happenings

Financial Peace University

Financial Peace University came to an end on December 19th. Dave and I want to congratulate those people who earned a Certificate of Completion. They are as follows:

Greg Creasy	Leigh Ann Creasy
Barry Ferguson	Crystal Ferguson
Jonathan Porter	Rebecca Porter
Randy Urian	Gloria Urian
Bob Warnock	Kim Warnock
Becky Huff	Denise Johnson
Linda Murray	Nan Richards
Nathan Smith	

In order to earn the certificate, one must attend (or make up) at least 12 of the 13 lessons. There is homework EVERY week! These folks demonstrated extreme dedication and faithfulness. We are so proud of them!

You may be wondering what we could have possibly studied about finances for 13 weeks. I challenge you to approach some of our graduates. Ask them about their financial plans for the future. Let them tell you about their goals to pay off debt and what the Bible says about debt. See if they can recite the Baby Steps toward financial peace. Let them elaborate on why it is important for us, especially as Christians, to give. They gained a vast amount of knowledge and are ready to share it. Beware, their enthusiasm may be contagious!

Carla Whitt

Adult Choir will begin practice on Sunday, January 6th at 7:15 pm. We will practice every week at this time and would like to invite everyone to join us. We are planning a musical sometime in May. We need your voices. Come, sing praises to the Lord with us!



The **Children's Choir** is going to begin rehearsal for an Easter musical to be presented on Palm Sunday, March 16th. We need to start practice on Wednesday, January 2nd. We will practice from 7:00 -8:00 pm every Wednesday. If your child would like to participate we would love to have them. Speaking parts and solos will be handed out no later than Wednesday, January 23rd--Don't let your child miss out on this opportunity.

The **Youth Choir** did a great job with the presentation of "An Extreme Christmas." We are so proud of you. We are going to get back in the Praise and Worship mode.

January 6th and 13th - the band only will practice at 5:00 pm.
 January 20th - the band and vocals at 5:00 pm and continue every Sunday at 5:00 pm. Can't wait to see you there!

Bell Choir will have a meeting for anyone interested in playing on Wednesday, January 9th at 6:30 pm to discuss practice options. If you would like to play and can't be here at that time please see Kathleen or Angie.

"An Extreme Christmas"

Sunday, December 16... in spite of the cold, dreary weather our Youth Musical was a blessing. With song, music and script the Christmas story was told with a youthful beat.

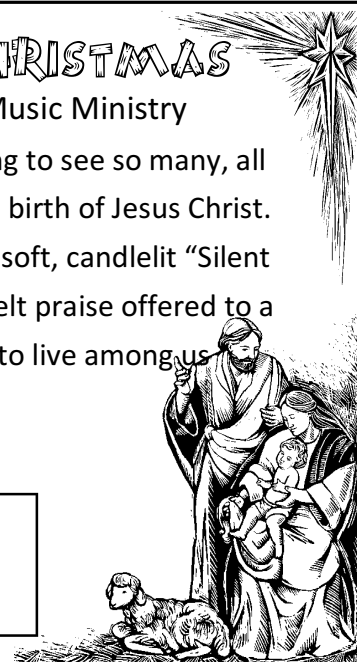
Our Youth is blessed with an enthusiasm for Christ that showed through and blessed each of us.

We thank Angie Martin, Kathleen Napier and Pastor Greg for their commitment and dedication to God and our music. They keep us organized and make us look good! We love you!

THE MIRACLE OF CHRISTMAS

by Pea Ridge Baptist Church Music Ministry

On Sunday, December 9...what a blessing to see so many, all ages, working together...celebrating the birth of Jesus Christ. From a jubilant "Joy To The World" to a soft, candlelit "Silent Night" each song was filled with heart-felt praise offered to a Savior who came as a infant, intending to live among us and die for us.





Sunday School Growth

What is your mind-set or philosophy of Sunday School growth? What is the mind of Christ regarding growth?

In terms of Sunday School growth, two mind-sets or philosophies seem to prevail. As believers, we have and are to cultivate a renewed mind. "We have the mind of Christ" (1 Cor. 2:16). Paul also tells us, in Romans 12:2, "Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is— his good, pleasing and perfect will"

The Maintenance Mentality

The first of two basic mind-sets of Sunday School growth is the **maintenance mentality**. The emphasis here falls on maintaining the **status quo**—keeping everything the way it is and the way it always has been. There are several obvious characteristics of this mind-set.

First, the maintenance mentality is **bound by tradition**. This bondage is most clearly expressed in the infamous seven last words of the church, "We've never done it that way before." The methods used in the past become so locked-in that workers have tremendous difficulty thinking any other way.

In reality, only the doctrine or principles of the Word of God never change. Methods change according to cultural conditions. For example, in certain conditions, Paul preached in the synagogue to the Jews, while in other settings he addressed Gentiles in the marketplace. His message (doctrine) was always the same—Christ and Him crucified. Paul's methods, however, changed to suit the cultural background and the needs of his audience.

Our culture is not the same as it was in the 50's, 60's, or even 70's. Today, our methods for reaching people and growing the Sunday School must keep up with the changes in our culture.

Actually, the church that does not change with the times will not reach new people. The church that does not reach new people is disobedient. The church that is disobedient will die! The church that resists appropriate change will grow old and become simply a museum.

The second characteristic of the maintenance mentality is **stagnation through complacency**. A Sunday School that is complacent about growth either does not care about the spiritual needs of people or, more likely, is satisfied with things just the way they are. "Our class is just right"-----
----- the dangerous satisfaction.

Christians are not to be satisfied, in one sense, until they are perfectly conformed to the image of Christ (Rom. 8:29). A church is never to be satisfied until (1) she is prepared for the coming of the Bridegroom (Eph. 5:25-27) and (2) until all the elect are saved (2 Thess. 2:13-14).

Did not the resurrected Christ teach that it is better that a church never exist than to be lukewarm (Rev. 3:15-16)? Satisfied Sunday Schools do not grow. They just die satisfied!

A third characteristic of the maintenance mentality is the **small-church syndrome**. Unfortunately, Sunday School members have been heard to say, "We didn't join Blank Baptist because we just don't like a **big** church" or "We came here because we like a **small** church." Being small becomes something, at least subconsciously, to be protected. Growth becomes something to be avoided.

Now, granted, the size of a Sunday School is not the issue. Ministry in and through the Sunday School is the point. There is nothing intrinsically spiritual about having a large Sunday School. Likewise, there is nothing intrinsically spiritual about having a small Sunday School.

We must not glory in our size, large or small. But, the Sunday School that only desires "us four and no more" will become smaller and smaller until it dies.

The Growth Mentality

In many ways, the characteristics of the growth-oriented mind-set are the mirror image of the maintenance mentality. A mental transformation must take place if the one is to replace the other.

A growth mentality is, first, a **willingness to try new methods**. Obviously, not all methods are good methods, nor will every method that works in one Sunday School work in another. But a Sunday School that grows must use every possible method, consistent with the integrity of the gospel, to reach people for Bible study. If the old methods do not work, the growth-oriented Sunday School will try new methods. If the new methods do not work, the growth-oriented Sunday School will develop newer ones.

The gospel is eternal and unchanging. Methods are variable and, to some degree, culture-dependent. We do not use a method of reaching people just because it works; we also use it because it is practical. But we are looking for acceptable methods that do work. Freedom to try new methods replaces bondage to tradition in the growing Sunday School.

A growth-oriented mentality produces a **holy dissatisfaction with the status quo**. The growing Sunday School is never content to sit stagnant while there are unsaved people in the community, never having heard the gospel. A growing Sunday School will never be content until all the world has been touched by the Word of God.

This is the mind of Christ, who taught us to go into **all** the world with the gospel (Matt. 28:19-20); beginning in our own Jerusalem, then to the farthest reaches of the globe.

Finally, the growth-oriented Sunday School is **ministry-oriented**. Ministry is the utmost concern. The growing Sunday School adapts its ministry to meet the needs of whatever number it has in attendance.

The growing Sunday School depends upon the Lord Himself to set the size limitations. Unfortunately, we sometimes welcome new members of the Sunday School with the right hand and hold them at arm's length with the left. A subtle resistance to new members may prevail. But in a growing Sunday School there is a real desire—in fact, a holy compulsion—to see new people in class every Lord's Day. And there is a fervent effort to make new folk feel welcome.

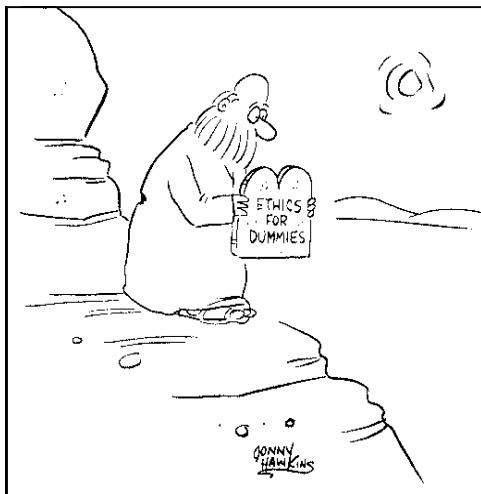
Which Is It?

Now, which of these two philosophies reflects your attitude? What is the mind-set of your Sunday School? And, which one do you think our Lord possessed while on the earth? Certainly, His was not the maintenance mentality. Otherwise, the Pharisees and other traditionalists would not have reacted against Him so vehemently.

His mind—the mind of God—was consumed with a willingness to do a new thing, with a holy dissatisfaction with the **status quo**, and with a passion for ministry.

Let this mind be in you. . . . Let this mind be in Pea Ridge Baptist Sunday School as we are a growing Sunday School in this community.

-submitted by Ken Harman



Walking In Wisdom

“Do not be unwise, but understand what the will of the Lord is.” Ephesians 5:17

We must choose to pursue wisdom. It's up to each of us to determine how we will walk through this life. Wisdom is not something a person stumbles into or acquires automatically; it must be sought out and pursued.

The person who walks in wisdom is very aware of his life, how he affects the world, and how the world affects him. He recognizes that every person faces three enemies in life: the world system, the flesh, and the devil. He seeks to know God's plan and purpose --- not only for his personal life but also for every situation involving other people around him.

-God's Way Day by Day, Charles Stanley, p. 10

What Awaits Us?

We're at the starting gate of a new year. What will it hold for us? Only God knows. Yet if God knows, why not try to discover His plan for us each day?

We should carry on a daily dialogue with God. Following His lead is always interesting and challenging. And much of the time it's filled with wonder and joy.

There is a story of a small boy who prayed to God at the end of a fun, interesting Monday: "It's been a wonderful day, God. What do you have in mind for Tuesday?"

What does God have in mind for you in 2008? Keep in touch with Him, and you'll enjoy the trip around the sun.

-excerpt from Newsletter Newsletter, January 2008

“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation’ the old has gone, the new has come!” 2 Corinthians 5:17 (NIV)

COUNTDOWN TO THE *New Year*

Celebrate the blessings of the previous year and the hope of the New Year with this fun party idea and craft.

What you need:

- Brown paper lunch bags or colorful bags
- Construction paper
- Markers
- Glue
- Scissors
- Stickers (optional)
- Inexpensive prizes or treats (see ideas below)



What you do:

1. Before New Year's Eve, assemble a bag for every hour before midnight that you plan to celebrate.
2. Use construction paper and markers to make a clock with a different time for each bag.
3. Glue a clock onto each bag.
4. Decorate the bags with stickers or other designs.
5. Fill the bags with inexpensive prizes or treats, each accompanied by a Bible verse. Here are a few suggestions:

- Plastic party-favor watches (“The LORD will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore” Psalm 121:8, NIV.)
- Bookmarks (“Devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture” 1 Timothy 4:13, NIV.)
- Small notepads and pencils (“Let love and faithfulness never leave you ... write them on the tablet of your heart” Proverbs 3:3, NIV.)
- Sweet treats (“Taste and see that the LORD is good” Psalm 34:8, NIV.)
- Party noisemaker, in a bag to be opened at midnight (“Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth” Psalm 98:4, NRSV.)

6. Open each bag at the time shown on its clock.

What the New Year Offers

A challenge to read helpful books about living according to God's plan.

A fresh start in the totality of our life.

Church Library

Have you checked out our Church Library lately?



AN ATHEIST IN THE WOODS

An atheist was walking through the woods.
"What majestic trees!"

"What powerful rivers!"

"What beautiful animals!"

He said to himself.

As he was walking alongside the river, he heard a rustling in the bushes behind him. He turned to look. He saw a 7-foot grizzly bear charge towards him.

He ran as fast as he could up the path. He looked over his shoulder and saw that the bear was closing in on him.

He looked over his shoulder again, and the bear was even closer. He tripped and fell on the ground. He rolled over to pick himself up but saw that the bear was right on top of him, reaching for him with his left paw and raising his right paw to strike him.

At that instant the Atheist cried out, "Oh my God!"

Time stopped.

The bear froze.

The forest was silent.

As a bright light shone upon the man, a voice came out of the sky, "You deny my existence for all these years, teach others I don't exist and even credit creation to cosmic accident. Do you expect me to help you out of this predicament? Am I to count you as a believer?"

The atheist looked directly into the light, "It would be hypocritical of me to suddenly ask you to treat me as a Christian now, but perhaps you could make the BEAR a Christian?"

"Very Well," said the voice.

The light went out. The sounds of the forest resumed. And the bear dropped his right paw, brought both paws together, bowed his head & spoke: "Lord bless this food, which I am about to receive from thy bounty through Christ our Lord, Amen."



-from Debbie Mulneix (missionary in India)



-received December 15, 2007

Merry Christmas to All!

Greetings to each of you from snowy Bridgeport! I have been hoping for snow while in the US (sorry about that) and it has come.

Fall has been very busy. I've visited with several of you in your churches to offer a glimpse into the wonderful nation of India and to share the realities and possibilities of ministry there. My schedule for the spring is filling up, so if you would like for me to visit you and you are in West Virginia, please contact Lisa Simmons at the Convention office. Fred Ansell will be making up a schedule for my visit to Kansas, from March 1st through the 12th. Contact him if you live in that area.

I had surgery on my right shoulder (yes, I am right handed) in November and I am in a sling and not driving until the end of December. This is not how I thought my Christmas Holiday would be, but it was necessary. Everything is going well and I should be "good to go" in a couple of weeks.

I am very excited about the changes in my responsibilities when I finish my deputation in April. Instead of returning to Woodstock, I will be visiting with Baptist partners in three areas of India and in Nepal. I will stay for several weeks in each place, helping them to recognize areas that could be developed into resource projects for you to become involved in. These projects may include lay preacher training, women's ministry, or youth ministry, as well as others. However, the work in India is only half of the project. When the resource group returns to the US, they will bring with them an Indian national that they have been working hand-in-hand with. This person will be sponsored by the local church/churches here and will relay first-hand how the Lord is working in India-Nepal. What a wonderful way to develop a lasting relationship!

Next week, a group of us who work in India will meet to discuss the American Baptist role there. We will discuss ideas about sharing God's amazing Power and Love with more people in India, Nepal and in the US. Please keep us in your prayers.

Thank you for the many amazing ways that you have shared with me and allowed me to minister to so many children in the last few years. It has been such a joy to be your hands and heart in India.

May God's Love and Peace abound with you and your families in this Holiday Season and in the New Year!

Your in Christ, Debbie Mulneix

International Ministries...



Boi, a four-year-old boy and his six-year-old sister, Khai, were found begging on the street in Vientiane, Laos. The children's family had come to the city from a very poor village and things had gone badly. Their father was jailed for selling drugs. Their 13-year-old sister was quickly trapped in prostitution. And their mother was hopelessly addicted to opium.

In time, Boi and Khai were led to the HOPE Drop-In Center run by International Ministries' development workers Matt and Lori Mann. They spent their days at the HOPE Center and their nights at Matt and Lori's home. Soon a group of older street boys joined Boi and Khai at the Center and learned to serve as role models for the younger children. Once tough street kids, they are now growing as disciples of Christ and using their street skills to nurture other exploited children. These children's lives have been dramatically changed. They are living in a safe place, going to school, eating regular meals and showing others the miracle of the love of Christ.

This transformation is the work of God as you offer your prayers and gifts. Your support of International Ministries' missionaries and partners is vitally important.

-excerpt from "International Ministries Newsletter"



Yoplait Yogurt Lids for Cancer Research

We have many on our Prayer List and members of our church that have been diagnosed with cancer. We as a church are much aware of this and they are all in our prayers.

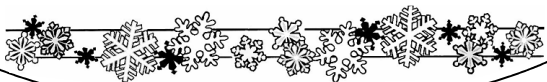
Besides praying, we can do other things that can fight cancer. Yoplait Yogurt Company will donate 10¢ to the American Cancer Society for every aluminum top from the Yoplait brand of yogurt. For those who would like to take part in this ministry, there is a box marked "Fight Cancer" placed on the right side of the shelf above the coat hangers.

Help your health by helping fight cancer. It is good for the digestive system and a healthy snack.

Please support this ministry!

What the New Year Offers

A chance to do good things for others, especially older members of our family.



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Info...Diana & Tom Murphy
736-2639

**Label
Collection**



Bless you for your unbelievable support of the Salvation Army Basket Evening and our ECCHO Food Basket Drive. We had lots of hands, food, bags, boxes and great fellowship. We are most thankful for the opportunity to share God's love with others---May His light shine through us.



ECCHO

Please don't forget about ECCHO after the Christmas Holidays. Donations can be brought to the church or dropped off at 1038 Smith Street, Milton.

For drop off times... 743-9238
Mondays/Wednesdays 10:00 am-3:00 pm

A New Beginning

Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser

January 19

Noon- 5:00 pm

@ Fellowship Baptist

Info? 525-3687



G	N	R	E	H	T	A	G	P	L	A	N	T	E	S	O	L	G
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Everything Has Its Time

To everything there is a season,

A time for every purpose under heaven:

A time to be born, And a time to die;

A time to plant, And a time to pluck what is planted;

A time to kill, And a time to heal;

A time to break down, And a time to build up;

A time to weep, And a time to laugh;

A time to mourn, And a time to dance;

A time to cast away stones, And a time to gather stones;

A time to embrace, And a time to refrain from embracing;

A time to gain, And a time to lose;

A time to keep, And a time to throw away;

A time to tear, And a time to sew;

A time to keep silence, And a time to speak;

A time to love, And a time to hate;

A time of war, And a time of peace.

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 (NKJV)

A Time For Everything

As we welcome the New Year, we have faith that God's planning and timing is perfect. In Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 (NIV), God tells us there's a time for everything.

What The New Year Offers

Want to provoke a warm response from others?

Look in people's eyes and smile sincerely.

Faith isn't meant to be kept to oneself.

It simply has to be shared in non-threatening ways and shown in loving actions.

Peace must begin within ourselves.

Anger only provokes anger in others.

We cannot make enough of the virtue of trust.

If we cannot be trusted, of what value are we?

Fill in the blanks using the clock code below.

build	dance	die	everything	laugh	gather
give up	hate	heal	heaven	mend	
peace	refrain	speak	throw away	uproot	

There is a time for _____,

and a season for every activity under _____:

a time to be born and a time to _____,

a time to plant and a time to _____,

a to kill and a time to _____,

a time to tear down and a time to _____,

a time to weep and a time to _____,

a time to mourn and a time to _____,

a time to scatter stones and a time to _____,

a time to embrace and a time to _____,

a time to search and a time to _____,

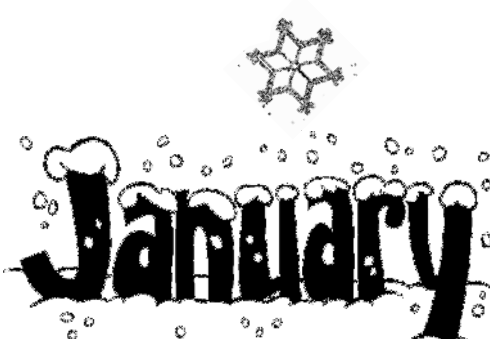












a time to keep and a time to _____,

a time to tear and a time to _____,

a time to be silent and a time to _____,

a time to love and a time to _____,

a time for war and a time for _____,

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 New Year's Day 	2 5:30 ABGirls 6:00 pm Mission Committee Meeting 6:30 pm Deaconess Meeting 7:00 pm Bible Study for all ages 7:00 pm Children's Choir Practice	3	4 	5 
		6 5:00 pm Spaghetti Dinner Planning Meeting - FH 5:00 pm Youth Choir Band only 6:00 pm "When God's People Pray" 7:15 pm Adult Choir Practice 	7 7:00 pm Troop 59 	8 6:30 pm Trustees 6:45 Christian Ed 8:00 Church Council	9 5:30 ABGirls 6:30 pm Bell Choir Meeting 7:00 pm Bible Study for all ages 7:00 pm Children's Choir Practice	10 
13 5:00 pm Youth Choir Band only 6:00 pm "When God's People Pray" 7:15 pm Adult Choir Practice	14 7:00 pm Troop 59	15 12:00 pm Golden Group	16 5:30 ABGirls 7:00 pm Bible Study for all ages 7:00 pm Children's Choir Practice	17	18	19 Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser for a New Beginning @ Fellowship Baptist Noon - 5:00 pm 
20 5:00 pm Youth Choir Band and Vocals 6:00 pm "When God's People Pray" 7:15 pm Adult Choir Practice 	21 Martin Luther King Day  7:00 pm Troop 59 7:00 pm ABW	22	23 5:30 ABGirls 7:00 pm Bible Study for all ages 7:00 pm Children's Choir Practice	24 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> PS Math Fun Day 9:00 am-12:00 pm </div>	25 	26 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> Troop 59 Pancake Breakfast 7:00-11:00 am </div>
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What The New Year Offers...

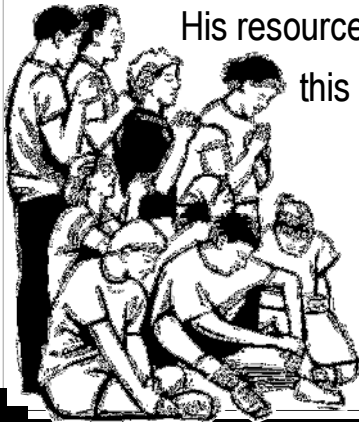
An opportunity to plan better for the future, including the use of our time, talent and possessions.



When God's People Pray

Beginning Sunday, January 6 @ 6:00 pm

Prayer can change lives and circumstances like nothing else can. What are the keys that unlock its power, that turn prayer from a mere activity into a vital link with God and all His resources? These are some of the topics we will explore together through this powerful study. It will help each of us and our church collectively, tap into the transforming power of prayer.



Discover the power of God to restore hope, ignite faith, work miracles, and change lives — through prayer.



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Our Mission: To Know Christ and Make Him Known!