

Lamentations 3:22-23

"The LORD's lovingkindness indeed never ceases, for His compassions never fail, they are new every morning; Great is your faithfulness."

Happy New Year! This is a time of renewal and reflection. Many people are making new commitments. Donald Whitney in his book "Spiritual Disciplines for the Christian Life" explains 11 different disciplines that a believer should be incorporating into their daily rhythms. This new year is a perfect time to start a new discipline, as many people are. Many people are focusing on losing weight, some are making a commitment to go to the gym, some are readjusting their finances, and some are still wondering what resolution they should make. I would like to take a few moments and encourage you with some disciplines that we as a church, or you as a person could start to make a practice in your life. Whitney lists these as the 11 disciplines for a believer: Reading the Bible, Prayer, Worship, Evangelism, Service, Stewardship, Fasting, Silence and Solitude, Journaling, Learning, and Perseverance. I would encourage you to look at your spiritual walk and decide through prayer what discipline you need to practice this year. What a wonderful time to make a new commitment to the Lord. I am sure that practicing these disciplines will only bring you closer to the Lord and make your walk stronger.

In Him,

Bro. Justin Anderson

### DRY BONES!

*Good morning! As spending time in my devotional since the new year has started, I was reminded that we cannot allow Satan to keep up from allowing the Holy Spirit to do in us what God intended. In Ezekiel 37, he finds himself in the valley of the dry bones, and was asked, "Son of man, can these bones live?"*

*God was preparing for Ezekiel to call Israel to allow God to open their eyes and bring back hope, future, and show Himself to them. The new year often brings New Year's resolutions. Make God a priority and allow the Holy Spirit will regenerate us to the Joy of our salvation!*

*Working on Family Nights on a monthly basis during the school months! Would you and your family attend? Some examples are movie night, game night, trivia night, etc.... These will be for everyone no matter what size of family or age! Let's focus on our Church family during these events! More information to come!*

#### Things that are upcoming:

1. Bible Drills – parent meeting for children/youth January 8<sup>th</sup> @ 5pm
2. Camp sign-up for Children/youth. (Look for dates and deposit deadlines)
3. Children's Disciple Now Weekend March 10-12!
4. Youth Retreat! (Working on that too!)

*Thanks for serving and giving...Donald*

I love how scripture teaches and instructs us to, "Sing to the Lord", "Come into God's presence with singing", "Make melody to the Lord, and "enter God's court in song". God thought singing praises to be so important He had it written down across the ages in scripture over 242 times in the Old Testament alone. If you ask me, I think He really means it. He certainly deserves it.

I would like to say a big Thank You!! & Great Job!! to all who worked so hard for the Christmas Cantata. It was truly a wonderful presentation making the Christmas season even more special. Some were sick and could not make it and some were not completely well but put forth a very dedicated effort to be there. Thank you all so much.

#### Upcoming Events:

Welcome to 2023. We are starting up Choir again. PGBC Choir practice begins Sunday Evening, January 8<sup>th</sup> @ 5:00 pm. Come join us in praise and worship to our Lord.

In Christ,

Bro. Benjy

## SYMPATHY

Our Church Staff and Church Family extend deepest sympathy to:

Bill Howel in the loss of his Son,  
Bill "Boogs" Howell Jr.

## JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

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|---------------------|---------------------|
| 1 – Jeanette Stuart | 21 – Mike Hayes     |
| 3 – Shawana Miller  | 21 – Brandon Vedros |
| 4 – Janet Guidry    | 22 – Kem Jarrell    |
| 5 – Ernest Odom     | 23 – Brett ONeal    |
| 5 – Easton Stewart  | 23 – Ricky Ramos    |
| 11 – Judy Byrd      | 24 – Hannah Hopkins |
| 13 – Maegan Veazey  | 25 – Howard Barrett |
| 14 – Becky Simmons  | 27 – David Baker    |
| 15 – Darren Cochran | 31 – Susan Stewart  |
| 18 – Elizabeth Seal |                     |

Happy Birthday to You!

## AVERAGE ATTENDANCE FOR DECEMBER

Sunday School: 74  
wed. Night (Children/Nursery): 11  
wed. Night (Youth): 6  
Super Seniors: 18

## SANCTUARY FLOWERS FOR JANUARY

JANUARY 1: Karen Balch  
JANUARY 8: Charles Manberg  
JANUARY 15: Gary Mitchell  
JANUARY 22: Donald Balch, Charles Manberg (Foyer)  
JANUARY 29: Dave & Pat Sutora

## NURSERY

1: Rosie Barrett & Susan Stewart  
8: Erica Guidry  
15: Heather Thompson  
22: Dianne Dusang  
29: Wendy Hunter

## TODDLER'S CHURCH

1: Crystal Ramos  
8: Karen Balch  
15: Terri Cochran  
22: Heather Thompson  
29: Brandi McKinley

## DEACONS OF THE WEEK

Dec. 26 – Jan. 1: Scott Thompson, Paul Pellegrine  
January 8: Brett ONeal  
January 15: Robbie Miller, Ricky Ramos  
January 22: Jacob McKinley, Chuck Simmons  
January 29: Scott Thompson, Pau Pellegrine

Sunday:

Fellowship (Coffee & Donuts) - 9:00 a.m.  
Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship Service - 10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship - 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday:

Iron Sharp (Men's Bible Study) 8:00 AM

Wednesday:

Prayer Meeting/Bible Study 10:00 AM(Adults) and 6:30 PM (All Ages)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January

- 2 - Heaven's Helpers at 6:30 pm
- 8 - Deacon's Meeting at 4:30 pm
- 15 - Bible Study w/Dr. Meeks at 9:30 & 10:30 am and 5:00 & 6:00 pm  
(We will be studying the Book of Ephesians)
- 17 - Super Senior Committee Meeting 10:00 am
- 19 - Super Senior Lunch at Two Sisters at 11:00 am
- 22 - Sanctity of Human Life Day at 10:30 am (Guest Speaker, Leslie Hall)
- 26 - Meeting Needs & Sharing Christ at 10:00 am (Devotion & Food Pantry)
- 29 - Benevolent Sunday

Reading plan for January - Ephesians

\*\* use Saturdays and Sundays to catch up!

- Jan. 2: Ephesians 1:1 - 6
- Jan. 3: Ephesians 1:7 - 12
- Jan. 4: Ephesians 1:13 - 18
- Jan. 5: Ephesians 1:19 - 23
- Jan. 6: Ephesians 2:1 - 6

- Jan. 9: Ephesians 2:7 - 12
- Jan. 10: Ephesians 2:13 - 18
- Jan. 11: Ephesians 2:19 - 22
- Jan. 12: Ephesians 3:1 - 6
- Jan. 13: Ephesians 3:7 - 12

- Jan. 16: Ephesians 3:13 - 18
- Jan. 17: Ephesians 3:19 - 21
- Jan. 18: Ephesians 4:1 - 7
- Jan. 19: Ephesians 4:8 - 14
- Jan. 20: Ephesians 4:15 - 21

- Jan. 23: Ephesians 4:22 - 28
- Jan. 24: Ephesians 4:29 - 32
- Jan. 25: Ephesians 5:1 - 21
- Jan. 26: Ephesians 5:22 - 25
- Jan. 27: Ephesians 6:1 - 9

- Jan. 30: Ephesians 6:10 - 20
- Jan 31: Ephesians 6:21 - 24

February

- 4 - Till Death Do Us Part--A Marriage that Lasts Bible Study 10am - 4 pm  
(Tony & Sherri Lambert will lead the study here at PGBC in the CAB.  
Lunch and Childcare will be provided)

# The Chime Newsletter



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Crystal Ramos, Financial Secretary

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 Heaven's Helpers 6:30 pm	3 Iron Sharp 8:00 am	4 Morning Prayer Mtg. 10:00 am	5	6	7
8 Deacon's Meeting 4:30 pm	9	10 Iron Sharp 8:00 am	11 Morning Prayer Mtg. 10:00 am	12	13	14
15 Bible Study with Dr. Meeks (Book of Ephesians) 9:30 am, 10:30 am 5:00 pm & 6:00 pm "Potluck" Meal to follow after Evening Worship	16	17 Iron Sharp 8:00 am  Super Senior Committee Meeting 10 am	18 Morning Prayer Mtg. 10:00 am	19 Super Senior Lunch Two Sisters 11:00 am	20	21
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