***A word from your Pastor…***

***Have you made a new commitment this year? Many people commit to bible study but do not know where to start. Many resources are at our disposal that will help you succeed in your new commitment. If you have a computer, smartphone, or tablet (which I know most people do), you have a wealth of resources at your fingertips. I want to give you some resources to help you stay the course and be a good student of God’s Word.***

***1. The Bible App (you version) – can be downloaded on any app store platform and has many Bible reading plans and devotions. ALL FOR FREE***

***2. createdisciples.com/top-11-best-bible-reading-plans – many different approaches to reading through God’s Word***

***3. Biblegateway.com – many tools to study God’s world (also an app)***

***4. My Utmost for His Highest – Oswald Chambers (Devotional – in print)***

***5. Spiritual Disciplines for the Christian Life – Donald S. Whitney (Book – in print)***

***I hope these resources will be valuable to you and a tool to help you on your spiritual walk. It is the new year, so make a new commitment to study God’s Word and apply it to your life.***

***In Him,***

***Bro. Justin***

Thoughts from your Family Minister…

Busy Months Ahead Good morning! It seems as though 2023 flew by at warp speed! Looking forward to 2024! Fundraising will be a part of that schedule. The verse for the month is Psalm 51:10 (NKJV), ‘Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me.” Let’s work together this year by individually spending some time every day and giving Him the chance to clean us and build us up! That will benefit the church body here at PGBC and make us as a body of Christ stronger. Things that are upcoming: 1. Bible Drills- parent meeting for children and youth- January 7 at 5pm! Weekly through the drill dates! 2. Camp signups for children and youth. Look for dates and deposits deadlines! Feb. 14th Is the deadline to sign up! Possible changes to Children’s Camp this year. Youth Camp dates are July 1 – 6 @ North Greenville University! 3. Youth Disciple Now Weekend Jan 12th – 14th! We will be wearing our D-Now shirts on Sunday morning.

*A Message from your Music Minister…*

*Psalm 32:1-2*

***The Joy of Forgiveness***

*32 Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, Whose sin is covered.*

*2 Blessed is the man to whom the LORD does not impute iniquity, And in whose*

*spirit, there is no deceit.*

*“Let your heart rejoice in the assurance that as you confess your transgressions and seek forgiveness, the weight of guilt shall be lifted, and the burden of sin shall be no more. Embrace the cleansing power of repentance, for the Lord is merciful and ready to pardon. Draw closer by trusting in the steadfast love of Almighty God, who welcomes the contrite heart with open arms. Let this Psalm be a hope, guiding you towards a revived and joyous relationship with the One and only Jesus Christ who offers redemption and unending grace.”*

*2024 Choir practice will begin January 7 th @ 5PM. I’m inviting anyone who would*

*like to make a joyful noise unto the Lord to come join us.*

*Bro. Benjy*

***DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS***

***Happy Birthday to You!***

 ***2 – Rosie Barrett***

***3 – Mary Hopkins***

***8 – Rocky Vaughn***

***9 – Lana Cochran***

***20 – Stephen Cochran***

***20 – Sean Mardis***

***23 – Crystal Ramos***

***27 Lyndsey Lee***

***31 – Kaye Daniels***

***If your Birthday isn’t listed, please contact the Office***

***so we can add your Date of Birth to our system.***

**AVERAGE ATTENDANCE FOR NOVEMBER**

***Sunday School: 80***

***Wed. Night (Student Ministry/Nursery):***

***Super Seniors: 20***

***Iron Sharp: 10***

**SANCTUARY FLOWERS FOR DECEMBER**

***CHRISTMAS POINSETTIA’S***



 **NURSERY** **TODDLER’S CHURCH**

**DECEMBER 3: Heather Thompson**  **DECEMBER 3: Crystal Ramos**

**DECEMBER 10: Carly Spiers DECEMBER 10: CANTATA**

**DECEMBER 17: Janet Guidry DECEMBER 17: Heather Thompson**

**DECEMBER 24: Wendy Hunter DECEMBER 24: Christmas Eve**

**DECEMBER 31: Erica Guidry DECEMBER 31: Wendy Lee**

**COUNTERS**

 ***DECEMBER 3: Heather Thompson, Sandra Seal***

 ***DECEMBER 10: Wendy Lee, GeAnna Ladner***

 ***DECEMBER 17: Lesa Haselmaier, Wendy Hunter***

 ***DECEMBER 24: Dianne Dusang, Jamie ONeal***

 **DECEMBER 31: *Heather Thompson, Sandra Seal***

**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)**

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**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

 **6 – Deacon’s Meeting – 7:30 pm**

 **8 – Kid’s Christmas Party – 5:00pm**

 **10 – Quarterly Business Meeting – Following Evening Worship Service**

 **13 – Shut-In Christmas Baskets – 10:00am**

 **13 – IMB Meal at 5:30 pm/Guest Speaker-Austin Holcomb at 6:30 pm**

 **14 – Food Pantry at 10am**

 **14 – Super Senior Christmas Party 12pm**

 **15 – Youth Christmas Party 5:00 pm**

 **24 – Christmas Eve Service 10 am (NO Sunday School) Lord’s Supper**

 **24 – Christmas Eve Candlelight Service 5 pm /Lord’s Supper**



 **Every Tuesday @ 8:00 am Every Wednesday 10am & 6:30pm DECEMBER 14TH**



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**Jamie ONeal, Church Secretary**

**Crystal Ramos, Financial Secretary**

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|   |  | Iron SharpEvery Tuesday @ 8:00 amText  Description automatically generated with medium confidence | Morning Prayer MeetingEvery Wednesday@ 10:00 am |  | 1 | 2 |
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