

JANUARY 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 New Year's Day New Year's Prayer Meeting 6:30 PM	2	3	4 Men's Fellowship Break- fast 8 AM
5 Worship Services 10:45 AM 6:00 PM	6	7	8 Truth Seekers 6 pm Business Mtg and Youth 6:30 PM	9	10	11
12 Worship Services 10:45 AM Worship 6:00 PM	13	14	15 Truth Seekers 6 PM Adult and Youth Bible Study at 6:30 PM	16	17	18
19 Worship Services 10:45 AM 6:00 PM	20 MLK DAY	21	22 Truth Seekers 6 PM Adult and Youth Bible Study at 6:30 PM	23	24	25
26 Worship Services 10:45 AM 6:00 PM	27	28	29 Truth Seekers 6 PM Adult and Youth Bible Study at 6:30 PM	30	31	



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JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 2nd..... Carol Keel
- 5th..... Vicky Troyer
- 7th..... Lynda Tolbert
- 16th..... Lisa Carter
- 17th..... Tyler Wesley
- 18th..... Alana Smith
- 19th..... Tiffany Buffalo
- 20th..... Jo Tucker
- 22nd..... Robby Syler
- 23rd Alex Sexton
- 27th..... Ember Earley
- 29th..... Jonna Nabors
- 30th..... Jeff Weibling



JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

- 25th Pat & Barbara Hawkins

JANUARY OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE & GROWTH

- January 1** - New Year’s Day
Prayer Meeting at 6:30 pm
- January 4** - Men’s Fellowship Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall at 8:00 a.m.
- January 5** - WMU and Deacon’s Meeting at 5:00 pm
- January 8** - Truth Seekers’ Spring Semester begins at 6:00 pm



I was honored to work again at Samaritan’s Purse’s Operation Christmas Child Processing Center in Coppell, TX in December and was blessed by all the volunteers who share my passion for these gospel opportunities. The shoeboxes we processed were headed to Paraguay in South America.

With the information provided with the Follow Your Shoebox tool, the 336 shoeboxes we packed are being sent to Haiti and South Sudan. Some of you may not know that the shoeboxes are delivered at events throughout the year (not just December). With that in mind, please be in prayer for the volunteers who transport the shoeboxes, see them through Customs, and ensure they are delivered to our ministry contact who will be in charge of the distribution / Celebration Event where they will end this journey into the hands of their child. May God be glorified and His Kingdom expanded through these efforts.

— Lisa Carter

Church Family,

What does the Bible say about. . ? I get asked that question a lot. While not in every case, I have found that over the years that this question occasionally means, “What can I get away with?” A lot of believers fall into this too. “Can I do this and still go to heaven?” “Will I go to hell if I do this?” Most of the time, the answers to these questions are directly linked to an unrepented sin or lifestyle that God has already condemned in His Word. The fact is that **“for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God” (Romans 3:23)**. All of mankind is going to hell by default. In his sinfulness, man is doing everything he can to avoid living for God and His glory. This is why a lot of times the question is asked, “What does the Bible say about. . ?” Man wants to find a way to side-step God and if he could, he would do it through God’s Word.

Our culture today is shoving sin and the acceptance of it down our throats. Various groups force the homosexual agenda, abortion agenda, and the like upon us, and it is overwhelming. There are some within those groups that seek to distort God’s Word and say things like, “That was all just first century nonsense. God is love and He loves us just the way we are.” While it is true that God is love, the whole truth is that God is NEVER separate from His holiness. The holiness of God precedes all other attributes of God. God will never be “fine” with unrepented or celebrated sin. That is what the Bible says.

Jesus came to pay the punishment of sin for us. In our place, on our behalf, and instead of us, Jesus Christ gave His life “as a ransom for many” (Mark 10:45). He lived a life of perfect obedience to God’s Word. Though He came as a man, He was perfect and without sin. His perfect life is our substitute for our imperfect life. In no way does this mean that we can live how we want and ignore God. Because of Jesus, now we can live in righteous obedience to God through Jesus’ perfect and sinless life. Because of Jesus’ sacrifice on the cross, our sins have been paid. Though we sin daily, we are forgiven daily as well. God placed our sins on His Son so that when we sin, we can receive the grace of God through Jesus Christ.

All sin is unholy and falls short of the glory of God. The Bible does not say that sin falls short of the love, goodness, kindness, or patience of God. It says, “for all have sinned and fall short of the GLORY of God” (Romans 3:23). Let those of us who are of God “cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light. Let us walk properly, as in the day, not in revelry and drunkenness, not in lewdness and lust, not in strife and envy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to fulfill its lusts” (Romans 13:11-14).

For His glory,
Bro. Ray Earley
John 15:16