To know HIM and to make HIM known



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# **Service Times**

#### Sunday:

Bible Study......9:45am Worship......10:45am

#### LifeGroups

#### Wednesday:

Bible Study......7-8:00pm

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#### **NEW YEAR READING PLAN**

As we come to the close of the year I hope you are beginning to make plans for the next year concerning how and when you will be spending time in God's Word. We have worked our way through the Bible Project this year as a congregation. Some people have completed the entire task. Some people began and eventually fell off task. And undoubtedly some people never even began. No matter whether you feel like you succeeded or failed in this task, it is time to put this year behind and plan for next year. As Paul said, "...forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead..." (Philippians 3:13).

The psalmist began the first psalm by saying, "Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers; but his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he meditates day and night." (Psalm 1:1-2). We know there is great blessing to be found in spending time in God's Word regularly, meditating on it day and night. When we read and meditate on God's Word, then we are able gain wisdom and stability as we go through our lives here on earth. So, my prayer is that we will all make it part of our regular schedules to be reading and meditating on Scripture.

As I said Sunday, if you are wanting to work through a plan this upcoming year but you are unsure of how or where to start, I would be more than happy to sit down with anybody and work up an individualized plan that best suits your schedule, needs, and interests. However, if you are just looking for a general plan, let me use the rest of this space to make a few suggestions.

- If you liked the Bible Project, do it again. However, get a new Bible with no markings. As you take notes, compare your notes this year with those of last. I would also suggest to read it in a different translation than you did last year.
- If you began the Bible Project but missed a few readings or eventually fell off, pick up where you left off and try to cover the things you missed last year.
- Read the New Testament this year. Read one chapter of the New Testament every week day and you will read the
  entire New Testament over the course of the year. There are no scheduled readings on Saturday and Sunday, so you
  can use these as make-up days.
- Pick one book of the Bible to study each month. Read through the book of the Bible while also consulting commentaries and other resources concerning that particular book. Read, study, and meditate. You won't read the entire Bible in the year, but you will be greatly blessed by those particular books that you do read. Keep doing this for a few years and you will eventually work through the entire Bible while spending concentrated time in every book!
- Search the internet. There are countless reading plans on the internet, you may find one that works for you.

I hope this has been helpful. Feel free to meet with me if you would like any other help or suggestions. We can find the plan that works best for you! Finally, let us pray with the psalmist through our readings, "Open my eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of your law." (Psalm 119:18)

Love you all! Stephen

### PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

#### **MORNING ASSEMBLY**

December 23, 2018

Front Greeter: Linda Johnson Usher: Tom McNeely Worship Leader: Tom Hannigan Joe Riley Communion Preside: Bob Midkiff Herb Kinder

Serve West: Tom Winnell
Bill Reynolds
Paul Estep

Scripture Reading: Steve Samples
Closing Prayer: Nick Johnson
B & C Stewart
Sound Booth: Matt Barber
PowerPoint: Duane Scyoc
Nursery: Brenda Hannigan
Assistant: Telina Williams

#### WEDNESDAY EVENING

December 19	December 26
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Usher: Paul Estep Bill Reynolds
Prayer: Bill Reynolds Richard Wagner
Sound Booth: Tom McNeely Paul Estep

#### **Communion Preparation & Garments:**

Darlena Reynolds

# Sunday Morning Children's Breakfast Prep:

Grace Wagner

If you cannot serve as scheduled, please contact Tom McNeely at 304-346-5212.

# **ATTENDANCE & CONTRIBUTION**

#### Attendance

Bible Class	51
Worship	94
Wednesday	
Contribution	\$2,893.50

#### REMEMBER IN PRAYER

- John and Cyndi Shuman, various health issues
- Tom Winnell health issues
- Charlie and Dora Mynes health issues
- Yvonne Villars, Stephen Walker's grandmother
- **Phyllis Ratliff**, Jamie Wilkinson's mother is very ill.
- Paul Estep and family in the passing of our beloved sister in Christ, Ann Estep.
- Frank Javins (has been in hospital now for 2 months), Lora Williams, Amanda Talkington, Lisa and Diane (Rita's cousins), Tori Guerra, Evan Raynes, Linda Mullens, Steve Fox,
- Ellen Thompson, Lydia Brown, Erica Wade, Mary Spence, Peggy Bayes, Silvia Soza, Betty Dolin, Glenna Shafer, April Stewart, Doug Midkiff, Julie Farley, Alan Newhouse, Lanny Markland

#### **PANTRY NEEDS**

Canned Fruit
Pork and Beans
Peanut Butter and Jelly
Tuna
Pasta and Pasta Sauce
Diapers

#### **READ THE BIBLE**

If you've fallen behind, no worries... start here and continue together! If you would like to have a printed schedule for the year, there are copies in the foyer. The scriptures to read this week:

Date	Readings	<u>Psalm</u>
12/18	Rev 7-9	42
12/19	Rev 10-11	43
12/20	Rev 12-13	44
12/21	Rev 14-16	45
12/22	Rev 17-18	46
12/23	Rev 19-20	47
12/24	Rev 21-22	48

## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

**January 8, 2019 - Prayer Meeting** at building. All are welcome!

January 24, 2019 - Young At Heart Breakfast. (None in December)

February 15-17 - Winterfest, Gatlinburg, TN

#### **WINTERFEST**

#### **WINTERFEST** is coming quickly!

Winterfest is a weekend retreat going on for 31 years now and geared toward middle and high school teens. This year's theme is "In Praise of the One Who Thought of Making Snow."

The cost is \$30. Registration forms are available in the foyer or from the church secretary.

Mark your calendars! February 15th through 17th.

### **2019 BUDGET**

The elders have reviewed a draft budget for 2019. A PDF copy will be available in the foyer on 12/9/18. The budget will be put forth for congregational approval late December/early January.

Please contact Doug Hartley at 304-741-2708 with any questions.

## STUDYING WITH MUSLIMS

If you want to know more about Muslim beliefs or if you have a friend who is a Muslim and you want to tell them about Jesus (Isa al-masih), check out two new booklets from World Bible School:

Jesus the Messiah and The Prophets of God

In our library.

#### LIFEGROUP INFORMATION

#### Chuck and Shirley Denham

5:30-6:30pm Sunday at the building. Studying the Andy Stanley series, *Brand New*. Also serving communion each week.

# • Tom and Brenda Hannigan 5:30-7:30pm in their home.

Studying *The Bible Project*.

#### Chris and Renee Morris

5:00-7:00pm, See Chris or Renee for location. Studying *The Bible Project*.

#### Bill and Darlena Reynolds

6:00-8:00pm Sunday in their home. Studying *The Bible Project*.

Join a LifeGroup! They are open to everyone, feel free to try them all!



Brett Murray Alaina Morris Bill Reynolds	12/1 12/4 12/6
Molly Blethen	12/7
Michelle Boggs	12/7
Derek Nichols	12/7
Serenity Stephenson	12/9
Brenda Hannigan	12/10
Eulah Miller	12/13
Ted Brothers	12/19
Rachel Sowards	12/23
Linda Johnson	12/24
Danene Hartley	12/28



Dewey & Amy Kuhns	12/2
JR & Sharon Nichols	12/9
Tom & Donna McNeely	12/12
Bill & Darlena Reynolds	12/19
Steve & Lora Williams	12/24
Frank & Elaine Javins	12/27
Ehren & Wendy Johnnson	12/28

Did I miss a special day? Contact office@kccofc.org.