



Hamilton Street Baptist Church Newsletter

2011

Essential Church for all the seasons of life.

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A new Year has begun! First, Jane and I would like to express our deep appreciation for the cards, gifts and other expressions of love and support given during the Christmas season. Thank you so very much!

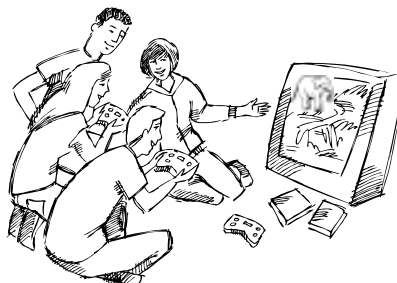
Second I want to express my appreciation for all the hard work of our great church staff and host of volunteers that enabled us to share such great Christmas presentations with the church and community. Your hard and often unseen work is a great blessing.

The New Year has begun. It is the year of our 50th anniversary. Depending on church approval, it may be the year of Building for our Future. It will be a year of great outreach, ministry, worship, fellowship and Bible study. Pray hard, serve willingly and expect great things from God.

Serving with you,
Pastor Charles
pastorchas@sbcglobal.net

NEW COMPUTER LAB IS OPEN

We have set up a small computer lab for classes and members to use. It is located in the basement in the "Green Room." There will initially be two desktop computers that will have two powerful Bible programs on them. These programs are Illumina and E-Sword. If you are wanting to do some Bible study, they are there for your use. Sunday



School classes that have computer - based Bible activities on the teacher's resource CD may also find the computer

lab useful. We will give it a try and see how it works.

As we are using older computers that were on hand and free or very inexpensive software, we have very little cost in the lab. If it is of use, we might enlarge the number of computers to use.

Note: there will be no internet access in the computer lab. If you have any questions, contact the church office.



Have you made a New Year's Resolution to grow in your

walk with Christ, to become more involved in your church, or to be more active in ministry? Whether you've made a resolution to do so or not, I believe these are ideals our Lord has commissioned us to do. Let's get started, shall we? Women's Ministry would like to help.

Discipleship

Overcoming Emotions that Destroy by Chip Ingram will be our study on Monday nights and during Wednesday Night Programming beginning January 24 and 26, respectively.

I will be leading this study, and I would like to personally invite you to join us for this study on anger management.

Ingram will be addressing us for about 20 minutes by video, and then we'll talk about topics such as The Three Faces of Anger, and Eliminating Stress Before It Starts. Two chapters are dedicated to How to be Good and Mad.

Joni Crouse will be our Monday night hostess. We'll start at 6:30 p.m.

Books are only \$6, and homework will be minimal.

Wednesday and Thursday morning Bible studies have not yet been set, so stay tuned to your weekly bulletins for more information coming soon!

Whichever study you choose to do, be sure to sign up in the foyer as those sign-up sheets are made available.

Fellowship

Ladies' Craft Night will be held on Thursday, January 6 from 6:30 - 9 pm. You may bring the project you're working on, or come and learn a new craft, share tools and supplies, gather ideas, and enjoy some good fellowship.

Personally, I have found these craft nights helpful in setting goals and completing projects.

Bring a snack to share and a friend to join us!

We are praying about continuing or discontinuing Ladies' Craft Night due to low attendance. If you would like to participate, but haven't, or if you have ideas for generating more participation, please share your thoughts with me. My contact info is at the end of this article.

Service

Our Public Servants of the Month for January will be those who work in the offices in City Hall: E911, Highway Patrol, KirkTran, Water Department, City Codes, and Personnel. Approximately 45 people work in the building so we'll need lots of treats. There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer if you'd like to donate some goodies.

If you would like to contribute a handmade baby layette piece to our Love, Lily project, we'll be collecting the items at church, tagging them with a note to the expectant mother, and then deliver them to the LifeLine Pregnancy Center.

Remember, you are also welcome to donate yarn or other materials. Please contact Stacy Tucker-Potter for more information.

Conferences and Conventions

Please be planning to attend the Women of Joy conference in Louisville March 25-27. Cheryl Flaim is coordinating this event. Look for her article about Women of Joy on the next page which includes deadlines and costs.

Prayer

Please be sure to contact our prayer team if you have a personal need you would like our women's ministry to join you in seeking God's answer. Contact Jane Jackson, and she'll discreetly pass your request on only to those on the Women's Ministry Prayer Team.

As we progress through 2011, may we become more and more like Him. Happy New Year!

Kay Shelby, Women's Ministry Director
kayshelby@sbcglobal.net



**Thursday, January 6
6:30 pm**

Treating Our Public Servants Well

Our Public Servants of the Month for January will be those who work in the offices in City Hall: E911, Highway Patrol, KirkTran, Water Department, City Codes, and Personnel. We will need about 15 dozen treats. There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer if you'd like to donate some goodies. Besides sweets, salty snacks are also a hit, so

feel free to donate pretzels, crackers, or chips & dip, etc. Because of the various offices in City Hall, please package your homemade treats in dozens if you're making cookies or muffins, etc. Treats will be delivered on Friday,

January 21st. Please pray for these workers as well. Thank you for helping with this women's ministry prayer and service project!

Contact Vickie Rudd for more information.



Vital Signs

Year to Date (12/19/2010):

Budgeted Offering:	\$255,361.61
Received Offering:	\$254,194.55
Budget Expenses:	\$243,560.90

YTD Average Attendance:

8:30 a.m. Worship:	96
11:00 a.m. Worship:	122
Worship Total:	222
Sunday School:	136



Ladies, it's that time of year! While March may seem a ways off yet, the registration deadline for the Women of Joy conference is coming up quickly!

I encourage you to make the time to join us for this conference in Louisville, Kentucky, March 25-27. It is an event that will renew your spirit, encourage your walk with God, and build amazing friendships with the women in our church! This year's event features Casting Crowns, worship leader Charles Billingsly, and speakers Gretchen Carlson, Liz Curtis Higgs, Lisa Harper, and Shaunti Feldman.

The early bird registration deadline is **January 12**. If you turn your money in to Kay by the 12th, the cost for the conference and two nights' hotel stay is **\$139**. After the 12th, the cost is **\$149**. The final deadline for registration is **February 5**, so sign up as soon as possible if you plan to attend!

Other costs to consider as you budget for this event are meals and fuel.

THE SPEAKERS:

Gretchen Carlson: Gretchen joined Fox News Channel in June 2005 and is the co-anchor of Fox & Friends, the #1 cable morning program. She also regularly contributes to The O'Reilly Factor. As a television personality, Gretchen stands up for Christian values amid the fire of the media.

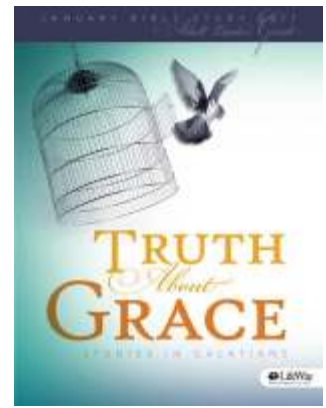
Liz Curtis Higgs: Liz is an award winning speaker, best selling author, Bible teacher, and radio personality. Feature articles about Liz have appeared in more than 250 major newspapers and magazines across the country, and she has been interviewed on more than 600 radio and television stations.

Lisa Harper: Lisa is known for her ministry at Renewing the Heart and other events around the country. She enchants audiences with her stories, humorous anecdotes, and her compelling ability to apply deep biblical truths

Shaunti Feldman: Prior to becoming an author, Shaunti worked in the financial arena on Capitol Hill and Wall Street. She now applies that same skill set to investigating eye-opening truths that many of us tend to miss – like what women don't "get" about men!

Pray about attending the Women of Joy Conference - it could change your life!

Cheryl Flaim,
cflaim@sbcglobal.net



The January Bible Study plays an important role throughout Southern Baptist life. It is what it claims to be—a concentrated, in-depth study of God's Word. Each year a week of January is set aside on the Southern Baptist denominational calendar for January Bible Study. Start the new year with a study of Galatians led by Pastor Charles!

- Sunday, January 16
6:00 – 7:15 PM
- Monday, January 17
6:00 – 7:15 PM
- Tuesday, January 18
6:00 – 7:15 PM
- Wednesday, January 19
Dinner: 5:45 – 6:30 PM
Study: 6:30 – 7:15 PM

We have a limited number of Study Guides. Please take one per family. Sign-up sheets and guides are in the foyer. Anyone who is willing to help with the event (set up or bring snacks, work with children and youth, tabulate attendance, help copy materials, and more opportunities to serve) please contact Elsie Rudd or the Church Office.

Elsie Rudd, Sunday School Director

From the Desk of the Music Minister



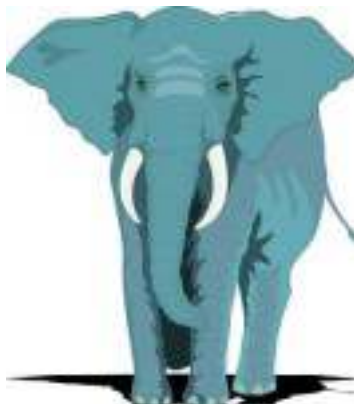
how best to do it in the church. Please lift me and the worship leaders up in prayer as we head into the new year. Thank you!

Joshua T. Smith,
Hebrews 13:20-21



What a privilege to serve in a church with such a loving and giving congregation. Thank you for your prayers, cards, and gifts. Your generous Christmas gifts to us were very much appreciated. Thank you so much!

Your Church Staff



Whenever you see an elephant,
please remember to pray for
Josh, Kimbre & the girls.

You will find one (or more) pictures of
an elephant in each newsletter.

**Can you find the 8 elephants hidden
in this newsletter?**



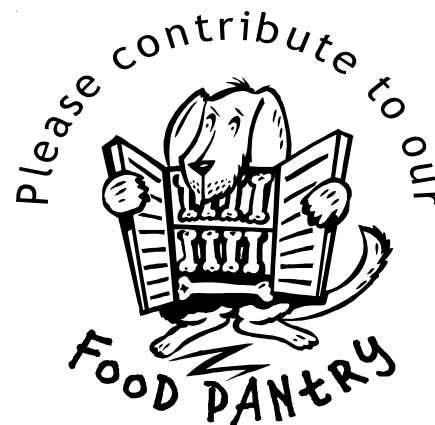
Missions Committee

COMING SOON

- * Are you looking for a way to strengthen your faith?
- * Are you looking for a way to use your gifts in a way to encourage other believers and reach out to the lost?
- * Do you want to get out of Kirksville for a short time to do this?

Then Mission Trip 2011 will be just for you! Be praying for where and when we will go! We will have a meeting in the near future to see who is interested.

More details to come



The purpose of the Church is to glorify God by fulfilling the Great Commandment

(³⁶Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?' ³⁷Jesus replied: " 'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' ³⁸This is the first and greatest commandment. ³⁹And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' ⁴⁰All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments." Matthew 22:36-40)

and the Great Commission

(¹⁸Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." Matthew 28:18-20).

JANUARY CALENDAR

January 1		New Year's Day
January 3		New Year's Holiday, Office Closed
	9:30 a.m.	The Arbors
January 4		Book of Reports Submissions Due
	9:30 a.m.	Twin Pines
January 5	6:00 p.m.	Prayer
	6:30 p.m.	Bible Study / Youth
	7:30 p.m.	Building & Grounds Committee
January 6	6:30 p.m.	Missions Committee
		Ladies' Craft Night
	7:30 p.m.	Personnel Committee
January 9	6:00 p.m.	Business Meeting
	7:00 p.m.	Technology Committee
January 11	9:30 a.m.	Twin Pines
	1:00 p.m.	Benevolent Committee
	2:00 p.m.	Hostess Committee
	6:00 p.m.	Church Outreach & Visitation
January 12		Women of Joy Early Bird Deadline
	6:00 p.m.	Prayer
	6:30 p.m.	Bible Study / Youth
	7:30 p.m.	Finance Committee
January 16 – 18	6:00 p.m.	January Bible Study
January 18	9:30 a.m.	Twin Pines
January 19	5:45 p.m.	Dinner
	6:30 p.m.	January Bible Study
	7:30 p.m.	Church Council
January 20		Newsletter Items Due
January 21		Treating City Hall Well
January 23	3:00 p.m.	Kirksville Manor Care
January 24	6:30 p.m.	Women's Bible Study
January 25	9:30 a.m.	Twin Pines
	6:30 p.m.	Deacons Meeting
January 26	5:45 p.m.	Dinner
	6:30 p.m.	Wednesday Night Programming
January 27	5:00 p.m.	1000 Hills Assoc. Exec. Bd. Leadership Mtg., HSBC
	6:30 p.m.	1000 Hills Assoc. Exec. Bd. Meeting, HSBC
January 29	7:00 a.m.	Men's Breakfast, Rosie's Northtown Café
January 31	6:30 p.m.	Women's Bible Study



As we begin a new year, I want to take a moment to thank everyone who served in the church in 2010. As we reviewed the list of elected positions (teachers, committee members, etc.), it was overwhelming to see the sheer number of people who have given of their time and talents to further God's kingdom. You have richly blessed so many people - undoubtedly more people than you will realize here on earth. I hope and pray you have been blessed by being a part of God's work as well.

Looking forward to 2011, there is a lot of exciting work to be done, and the need for volunteers never ends. In particular, we are looking for volunteers to direct or co-direct VBS this summer. Please be in prayer about this very valuable ministry. Would God have you take an increased role in teaching our children and the children of Kirksville about the Good News? If you are interested or feel like you know the perfect person for this position, please let me know. Thank you for your service to the Kingdom!

Stacy Tucker-Potter

SPORTS FOR CHRIST RETREAT - MARCH 11-12, 2011

The committee has been meeting regularly for the last few months and has made good progress on the 2011 Sports for Christ Retreat. It will be held on Friday night and Saturday the second weekend of the public school's spring break in Kirksville.

This year's speaker will be Ed Ingram, former youth minister at HSBC, and current pastor in Springfield, Illinois.

The praise team will be lead by a larger Higher Ground from Southwest Baptist University.

The committee would like to ask for prayer for the entire event including workers, speaker, band, the lost kids.

We have some changes in store for this year's event and we can't wait to see what God has for us this year!

Jonathan Walker,
SFCR Committee Chair



As of this writing, the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering is \$2,602! Thank you to all who have given so that sharing of what God has done for us can be told around the world.

Thank you to all who helped out with missions by using the WMU Post Office and purchasing cookbooks. There are several cookbooks left. If you desire to purchase cookbooks, stop by the church office or when you are attending a service, and someone will help you.

On December 10th, we had our annual Christmas Party, exchanging gifts, readings, poems and memories. We praise the Lord we can freely get together and share in Christian fellowship.

There will be no January Women on Mission meeting. We will resume in February with a special meeting highlighting certain mission fields. More on that later. Plan now to attend February 18th, 1:30 pm at the church.

Continue to pray for the Throwers and Snodgrass families as they minister in their various fields. Read the letters we receive from them. They are posted on the foyer board. Pray also for those of us in Women On Mission as we seek more avenues to help in spreading His Word and do what we can to share the love of Christ.

As we have just celebrated the birth of Jesus, the phrase from Luke 2:19 is still going through my mind and heart... "Mary pondered all these things in her heart." I would encourage you to read Luke 1 and recognize all Mary had seen and heard. Much to ponder. Do we ponder – give thought to – those things God shares with us? May we daily recognize what God wants us to think about, share with Him – talk to Him about those things that come to our minds and hearts. May 2011 bring a new desire to be more like Jesus in all we do and say. Have a blessed New Year.

Sharon Schesvold,
Women On Mission Director



We recently received a letter from the Kirksville Chapter Right to Life. Following are excerpts from that letter:

The anniversary of Roe v. Wade is less than two months away. The Kirksville Right to Life chapter is once again making plans for our annual pink and blue flag displays. The pink and blue flags represent the many children whose lives have been ended through abortion since the Roe v. Wade decision with the memorable messages that "abortion kills babies" and "Jesus forgives and heals." We appreciate your past support and hope that you will join us in sending these messages again this year. We plan to set up the flag displays on January 8th and take down the displays weather permitting on January 29th. We would be pleased if you would not only allow us to place a display at your church or home, but would also be willing to join us in putting up the displays or would be willing to gather a group from your church to join us. We will be meeting January 8th at 9:00 a.m. at Fellowship Baptist Church for a short devotion before beginning the work. Thank you so much for your consideration and your stand for life!

Would you be interested in going alone or gathering a group of HSBC'ers to help set up the displays? If so, please contact the church office.

The Mission of HSBC

- Honor God's Truth
- Share the Gospel
- Build Believers
- Care for Others



The Lifeline Pregnancy Help Clinic is sponsoring a Post-Abortion Support Group at Hazel Creek Baptist Church beginning January 13, 2011. The group will meet the second Thursday of each month at 6 p.m. Free childcare is provided. Contact 665-5688 for more information.

**We've Exceeded
Our Goal!**

**As of 12/19
Our Giving:
\$2,602!!**

Thank you!



**What Happens
When You Die?**

2010 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering®
National Goal: \$175 Million

Week of Prayer for International Missions and International Mission Study
November 28 – December 5

Our Church Goal
\$2,000

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2010

WAS A VERY GOOD YEAR

On the first Saturday of December...our college students made...
... for each other and others....
(with some help from some little elves...the Martin children, the Xander children...)

- 12 cheerio Christmas trees with sugar plums
- 11 iced silver bell Christmas cookies
- 10 huge chunks of fudge
- 9 and more...ginger bread boys
- 8 M&M covered cookies
- 7 double frosted Christmas cookie trees
- 6 munched on apples
- 5 chefs creating one super cool sweet outrageous and somewhat zany comfy and way cool sugar loaded fire place....
- 4 half formed snowmen
- 3 bowls of left over frosting...yum!
- 2 ovens resting...
- And one tired college class worker...loaded with sugar!!

Merry Christmas everyone!

We hope this finds you and all your loved ones and friends well and safe...and totally loved! Loved by our God and Son Christ and Holy Spirit!

Thank you to our family of fellow lovers of the cross here at HSBC – for the prayers, the sweet conversations with us and the college students, the budget money to do some very encouraging, stress-relieving activities and for one super decked out cookie kitchen.

Our fall with the college students here has been so enriching...getting to know them and be a part of their journeys in life and in their faith...the honor has been

all ours, and we are eager for their return but so happy for the break they are now getting over Christmas break to be with their family and home.

A few things to know about them....they love Christ...right now all our students attending are followers of Christ...they bring friends and love the college meals we have done once a month, they express such gratitude constantly for the food and just the warmth that is here when they come to worship etc,. They are a majority of girls...with 1-2 guys...they love to share about their families and also funny Christmas movies...they can sing rather well...and they know that God has more at stake during this Christmas season...than any of them....because he is in a very real consistent and authentic way...longing for their love and embrace.

And that is true for all of us...He has more at stake in all of this stuff of life than any of us...because he is longing for our love...longing for the one thing He cannot make us give him...

With the warmest of wishes and the freshest of glad tidings –

The pack!

Greg Xander, Up & Coming Leader



- As Hamilton Street Baptist Church we:
- ~ Sponsored Sports For Christ Retreat
 - ~ Sponsored a community Easter Egg Hunt
 - ~ Held a Refuge Church Prayer Drive
 - ~ Attended a Women of Joy conference in Louisville, Kentucky
 - ~ Attended Mighty Men of God conference in Jefferson City
 - ~ Hosted a Ladies' Tea
 - ~ Held Graduate Recognition
 - ~ Had Parent Baby Dedication
 - ~ Led Family Devotion Training
 - ~ Held our annual Lake Picnic & Baptism Service
 - ~ Had movie night
 - ~ Sponsored a Father's Day Car Show
 - ~ Took a trip to Branson
 - ~ Held Vacation Bible School
 - ~ Went to Associational Youth Camp
 - ~ Participated in Food 4 Kids
 - ~ Made & Delivered treats to and prayed for public servants of the month
 - ~ Participated in a VBS Community Roundup
 - ~ Sponsored Bubblepalooza for younger children at Brashear Park
 - ~ Sponsored HydroBlast for older kids at Rotary Park
 - ~ Held Worship in the Park
 - ~ Kicked off the fall Women's Ministry with a Girlfriend Gala
 - ~ Participated in TSU's Activity Fair & the City of Kirksville's New Student Welcome
 - ~ Held Back to Church Sunday
 - ~ Canvassed the Refuge Church community, cleaned up Refuge Church, & hosted a concert there
 - ~ Held an All Church Bonfire & Campout
 - ~ Sponsored a Bluegrass concert by the Punches Family
 - ~ Had dinners for college students

~ And this list doesn't include countless Bible studies, meetings, and worship services attended, plus a host of other unnamed activities. Thank you for making 2010 a successful year of ministry!

Free Gift Word Search

It's that introspective time of year again. The new year marks a place to stop and think about what you are doing (or not doing). It's kind of a call to be conscious of how we want to live our lives.

So how did you spend this last year? What have we done with the precious minutes, hours, days, and months of 2010? I hope we haven't used them to become more proficient at solitaire. Or to spend time in superficial relationships. Or to go through the motions of religion. Or concentrated on work to the exclusion of all else.

Hopefully we have grown closer to God. Have adapted our lives to do the work God has intended for us. Have deepened relationships with fellow Christians and our families. Have taken time to enjoy the people and world around us. Have noticed the blessings God has poured out on us this year.

So what would be your ideal life in the coming year? Where does God fit into it? Your family? Your work? Your service (God doesn't call us to sit on the sidelines)? How will you spend the precious hours of 2011?

After you think through where you are and where you want to be (I strongly encourage some prayer time for this), after you examine your priorities and perhaps re-organize them, decide what you will need to do to become the person you want to be.

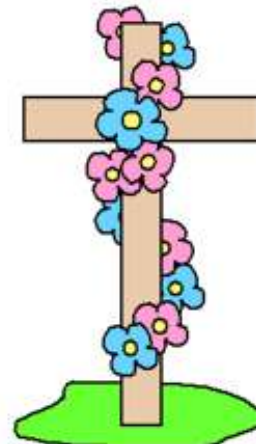
If you hear God leading you to make some changes, let me suggest that it's great time to join a Bible Study. It's easier to keep moving in the right direction with the support of like-minded people and a study of God's Word. I can help you find a Sunday School class, or another Bible study.

I look forward to what God has planned for us individually and as a church in the coming year. I wish you all a blessed 2011!

Elsie Rudd, Sunday School Director,

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Happy New Year 🐘 *Happy New Year* 🐘 *Happy New Year*

We spend January 1 walking through our lives, room by room, drawing up a list of work to be done, cracks to be patched. Maybe this year, to balance the list, we ought to walk through the rooms of our lives... not looking for flaws, but for potential.

~Ellen Goodman

Now there are more overweight people in America than average-weight people.

So overweight people are now average... which means, you have met your New Year's resolution.

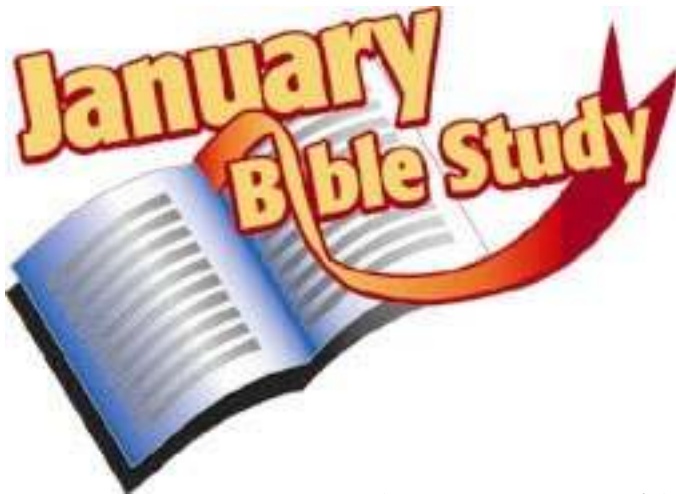
~Jay Leno

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January 16-19 (Sun. - Wed.)

SUN - TUESDAY: 6:00 - 7:15 p.m.

WEDNESDAY: 5:45 p.m. - Dinner

6:30 - 7:15 p.m. - Study

CLASSES: For all ages

BOOK STUDY: Galatians (for youth and adults)

SIGN-UP: In the foyer for snacks and pre-registration

ADULT TEACHER: Pastor Charles

SERVICE TIMES

Sunday: 8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship
 9:45 a.m. Bible Study
 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship
 5:00 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal - resumes 1/23
 6:00 p.m. Worship

Wednesday, January 5 & 12
 6:00 p.m. Prayer
 6:30 p.m. Bible Study / Youth

Wednesday, January 19:
 5:45 p.m. Dinner
 6:30 p.m. January Bible Study

Wednesday, January 26:
 5:45 p.m. Dinner
 6:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Programming

Looking Forward

February 7 Highland Crest
February 14 Valentine's Day

March 6 - 13 Week of Prayer for Annie Armstrong Easter
 Offering for North American Missions

March 10 State Evangelism Conference, FBC
March 11-12 Sports For Christ Retreat
March 13 Daylight Saving Time Begins
March 25-27 Women of Joy Conference, Louisville, KY