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The question of whether or not one should set New Year's resolutions is one I have each year. I think the aversion to setting resolutions, for me at least, is that I have yet to keep one. I have yet to resolute and maintain that commitment for the next 365 days. This is probably true for all of us. We had planned to weigh less, to have more money and to be more committed this time last year than we actually are today. So, we decide - I am just not going to set any resolutions, I refuse to set new goals. I think this is the wrong conclusion, I think we should continue to set goals for ourselves. This year I will again set some resolutions, and I have determined to set three. Let me share them with you briefly:

1: I RESOLVE TO CONTINUE TO GROW IN MY PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS.

This ought to be the goal of every believer, every day. I want to be more like Jesus today than I was yesterday, on a continued journey of sanctification. This growth occurs as we read His word, as we spend time allowing Him to speak to us and as we continue in constant communication with Him. As I commit to these disciplines, I will see my personal relationship with Jesus continue to grow.

2: I RESOLVE TO BE MORE COMMITTED TO FEWER THINGS.

So many of us are overcommitted. We are committed to so many activities that we are not worth much to any of them. I am committed to narrowing my focus and committing deeply to those that are the most important to me. This requires that I evaluate the activities that keep me busy. The priority has to be Family, then Church. Then all others should fall in line. I want to be effective in what I do, so I will be more committed to fewer things.

3: I RESOLVE TO BE MORE GENEROUS.

Every year I look back on the gifts that we were able to give to our church, to parachurch organizations that we as a family support and even to individuals that we like to give blessings. Every year I am amazed that we never went without, even though we gave 'thousands' to others. As a matter of fact, it seems that my life is blessed as I see others ministered to by the gifts that I give. This is a small blessing to being generous. But, I resolve to be more generous, because it is an expectation of God.

Here are my three resolutions for 2018. Do you have any resolutions?

I pray you have an amazing 2018!

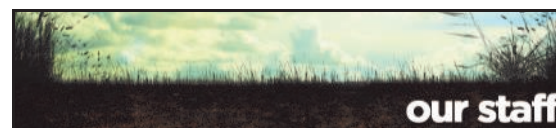
Jon

The work of the Kingdom
 is the work of the Church

The Church at Work:

Tithes & Offerings:
 December 2017

Regular Tithes & Offerings	44,250.75
Backpack Ministry	190.00
Baptist Children's Village	100.00
Extreme Basketball	2,690.00
Church Utilities	924.00
Youth Ministry	10.00
Office Supplies	20.00
Social Committee	423.00
Rental Fees	50.00
Building Fund	1,565.00
Lottie Moon	18,211.00
Jeannine Leach	960.00
Haiti's Eden	140.00
Total Deposit	69,533.75



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Deacon

of the week

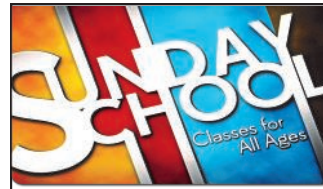
January

14th - Scott Breedlove
 21st - Tyler Hansford
 28th - Vince McElhenney



New Members

Aidan Ferguson
 Erin Ferguson
 Tonya Fox
 Addisyn Fox



ATTENDANCE December

3rd - 209
 10th - 205
 17th - 144
 24th - 198
 31st - 156



SUNDAY MORNINGS

11:00 AM

January 14th

Renee Johns
 Loren Robinson
 Jackie Burroughs
 Jan Strickland
 Nancy Franklin

January 21st

Jodie Burroughs
 Jan Strickland
 Nancy Franklin
 Jennifer McElhenney
 Cherie McElhenney

January 28th



Share God's love with our special Home Bound members through cards, visiting, and prayer.

Elnora Rigdon	Ruby Jean Chaney
Maurice Cooksey	Rosemary Langley
Elawase Boler	Sewanna Dewease
Jackie Richardson	Shirley & Chester
Bonnie Ferguson	Estes
Floyd & Mary	Lois Griffis
Stafford Smith	Chloe Luke
Molly Parks	Pauline Gomillion
Shirlen Thomas	Bill Edwards



TEACHERS:

January 14th

Tammara Kennedy

January 21st

Sandy Robinson

January 28th

Renee' Adkins



JACKETS for JACKETS

Please donate new or lightly used jackets to be given to students at Union Public Schools. Jackets can be placed in the box at the church office.

**STUDENT MINISTRY
 DATES:
 FEB 9-11 DNOW \$90
 JULY 1-5 FUGE \$279**

JANUARY 2018

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 8:30 Deacons Meeting Regular Sunday Schedule 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship 5:00 Adult Choir 5:00 Prayer Meeting 6:00 D-Groups During Prayer Meeting: Quarterly Business Meeting	15	16	17 Regular Wednesday Schedule 5:30 Fellowship Meal 6:30 Children's Activities 6:30 Elevate Student Worship 6:30 Refresh Worship	18	19	20
21 Regular Sunday Schedule 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship 5:00 Adult Choir 5:00 Prayer Meeting 6:00 D-Groups	22	23	24 Regular Wednesday Schedule 5:30 Fellowship Meal 6:30 Children's Activities 6:30 Elevate Student Worship 6:30 Refresh Worship	25	26	27
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