

Bulletin

January 5, 2025

For The Church



The practice of making New Year’s resolutions goes back over 3,000 years to the ancient Babylonians. There is just something about the start of a new year that gives us the feeling of a fresh start and a new beginning. In reality, there is no difference between December 31 and January 1. Nothing mystical occurs at midnight on December 31. The Bible does not speak for or against the concept of New Year’s resolutions. However, if a Christian determines to make a New Year’s resolution, what kind of resolution should he or she make?

Common New Year’s resolutions are commitments to quit smoking, to stop drinking, to manage money more wisely, and to spend more time with family. By far, the most common New Year’s resolution is to lose weight, in conjunction with exercising more and eating more healthily. These are all good goals to set. However, 1 Timothy 4:8 instructs us to keep exercise in perspective: “For physical training is of some value, but godliness has value for all things, holding promise for both the present life and the life to come.” The vast majority of New Year’s resolutions, even among Christians, are in relation to physical things. This should not be.

The types of resolutions that we should make as Christians should be in order to help us to be godlier. To live more godly lives. Of course, this could include reading your Bible more often, praying more often, developing a deeper relationship with God, and serving others for God. But many Christians’ fail at these resolutions as well because they do it because it’s a good idea. A better approach would be to commit to these resolutions because they honor God, and they mold us into His character. It's not too late to make a resolution to be more godly.

In Our Prayers

Emersyn Milton
Thomas Pruitt
Madison Cole
Zeb Carter
Juanita (Abby’s Mother)
Tim Taylor

Brenda Staub
Dwight Huston
Becky Carter
Joel Miller
Mary Minchew-Conley
Linda Fry

Rob Murrow
Vernon Bartlett
Hadley Bright
Greg McAlister
Sarah Martin (and baby)
Shari Mayer

Upcoming Events

Potluck [Today]

Please join us for our monthly potluck meal after services today!

Wednesday Night Bible Hour [Wednesday]

Beginning this Wednesday from 6:00-7:00pm there will be supper and Bible class for kids age, Pre-K through 5th grade at the church building fellowship hall. If you would like to help, please talk to Pam. This class will meet 2nd and 4th Wednesdays in January and 1st and 3rd Wednesdays February through May.

Women's Bible Study [Wednesday]

Beginning this Wednesday at 9:30am we will begin a Bible study for women at the church fellowship room. We will meet 2nd and 4th Wednesdays in January and 1st and 3rd Wednesdays the rest of the spring. We will be studying from Kristi McClelland's book, Jesus and Women in the First Century and Now. Pam and Janet will be leading the study.

Young Family Ministry [Next Sunday]

Our young family ministry will meet next Sunday evening at 5:00 PM here at the church building.

Save the Date:

Friday - Free Marriage Seminar at Northside Church of Christ (Wichita)

Birthdays

Jessica Carter - January 8

Mason Gunter - January 10

Worship Order

Welcome Table & Greeters: Darrel & Shannon Bauer

Song Leader: Gary Hornbaker

Sound System: Orrin Feril

Gathering: #449 - Thy Word

Welcome: Orrin Feril

Scripture Reading: Jayce Feril (Psalm 51:17)

Shepherd's Prayer: Carl Feril

Song: #484 - You Are My All in All

Song: #382 - Why Did My Savior Come to Earth?

Communion: Richard Brensing

Song: #662 - All to Jesus I Surrender

Lesson: Zeb Carter

Song: #622 - Ring Out the Message (vs. 1)

Closing Prayer: Jerry Kinnamon



tithely.com (giving link)

Sundays: Bible classes for all ages @ 10:00 am
Worship service for everyone @ 11:00 am
Elders: Tom Turner, Richard Brensing, Terry Sallee, Carl Feril
Deacons: Jerry Kinnamon, Chris Mansel, Orrin Feril, Zachary Marks
Minister: Zeborah Carter