#### January

Jan 07 Men's Hiking Day; see details below

Jan 08 Baby Sprinkle for Bradbury's; 1:30 to 3:30

# MEN'S HIKING DAY

A men's hiking day as been planned for Saturday, January 7th. Join us for a hike and adventure exploring Horsethief Canyon at Kanopolis State Park. We'll leave from the building at 7 am. Please RSVP with Wes if you can make it and also with any questions.

## **BABY SPRINKLE FOR SARAH BRADBURY**

Ladies, stop by for a come and go Baby "Sprinkle" for Sarah Bradbury Sunday, January 8 from 1:30 to 3:30 at the home of Jordyn Clark, 602 Sylvan Lane, Wellington.

## TWAS THE NIGHT BEFORE JESUS CAME

"Twas the night before Jesus came and all through the house Not a creature was praying, not one in the house. Their Bibles were lain on the shelf without care In hopes that Jesus would not come there.

The children were dressing to crawl into bed, Not once ever kneeling or bowing a head. And Mom in her rocker with baby on her lap Was watching the Late Show while I took a nap.

When out of the East there arose such a clatter, I sprang to my feet to see what was The matter. Away to the window I flew like a flash Tore open the shutters and threw up the sash!

When what to my wondering eyes should appear But angels proclaiming that Jesus was here. With a light like the sun sending forth a bright ray I knew in a moment this must be The Day!

The light of His face made me cover my head It was Jesus! Returning just like He had said.

And though I possessed worldly wisdom and wealth I cried when I saw Him in spite of myself.

In the Book of Life which He held in His Hand Was written the name of every saved man. He spoke not a word as He searched for my name; When He said "It's not here" My head hung in shame!

The people whose names had been written with love He gathered to take to His Father above. With those who were ready He rose without a sound While all the rest were left standing around.

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## FROM THE HEART OF THE PREACHER

The Second Greatest Gift

I truly believe that the greatest gift that can be shared with another person is the knowledge of Jesus. That's part of why it's so exciting to me to be preaching on Christmas day this year.

But if Jesus is the greatest gift, what is the second greatest gift?

My opinion may change on this in the future, but this year, I'm gonna have to say, health!

What a truly humbling experience I just had of being sick for almost two straight weeks! And what a terrible experience it was as well.

I am certainly thankful for everyone who uttered a prayer on my behalf and I'm still praising God as often as the thought occurs to me for the restoration of my health.

I'm still trying to process the lessons learned during my time of illness, but one thing that I made myself do in the midst of my suffering was to praise God every day.

You know, God hates illness because illness derives from sin. Not necessarily my sin, but illness came into the world when sin did, and with it, physical death.

How do I know God hates illness? Because one day soon, He will do away with illness forever. In the meantime, we have to deal with illness as best we can.

If you feel good this Christmastime, don't forget to praise God. But if you don't feel good this Christmastime, also, don't forget to praise God!

He will deal with all things that ail His people! There's a great day coming! Praise the Lord!

Much love!

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I fell to my knees, but it was too late;
I had waited too long and this sealed my fate.
I stood and I cried as they rose out of sight;
Oh, if only I had been ready tonight.
In the words of this poem the meaning is clear;

The coming of Jesus is drawing near.

There's only one life and when comes the last call
We'll find that the Bible was true after ALL!

## **FAMILY NEWS**

**Helen Norris**—has been admitted to St. Francis. She has a hematoma on her kidney which is causing infection. They will do a surgical procedure to deal with that. Keep her in your prayers.

**Prayer List:** Pat Brundage, Marvin Kline, Beth Brownlee, Henry Brownlee, Eliza Conwell, Helen Norris, Julie DeSoignie, Russell Day, Marilyn Bartlow, Scott Percival, Tom Kirkwood, Kylie Lock, Darlene Larson, Max (Lonnie's great-grandson), Tim Evans, Duane & Cathy McKinney, Larry Helton

## **EXPRESSION OF SYMPATHY**

We express our deepest sympathy to Sandy Albin and her family on the death of her mother Dorothy Crisler. Please keep Sandy, Randy and all her family in your prayers.

We express our deepest sympathy to Randy Ervin on the passing of his father, Clarence (Toby) Ervin. Graveside services for Toby will be held Friday, January 6 at 11:00 a.m. Keep Randy and his family in your prayers.

# MISSING FROM THE KITCHEN!

The kitchen is missing two large gray tubs and one of the good crock pots we use for funeral dinners. If you have any of these, please return them as soon as possible. If you need to use any of the items from the kitchen please let Bobbi know. Thank you!

#### BLESSING BOX MINISTRY

Thank you church for your continued support of the Blessing Box ministry. As we approach the colder, holiday season we know there are more and more people in our community who are in need and continue to look to our church for help. We appreciate your support as we serve the Lord by reaching out to our neighbors in need! Donation boxes are set up for your convenience in the foyer and west hallway. Dollar Tree or Dollar General continue to be wonderful places to find a lot of these options at a low price. Our current needs:

#### **Non-Perishable Food Items:**

Boxed Meals

Canned Soups/Bagged Soup Mixes

Canned Beans

Cake or Muffin Mixes
Ramen Noodles

Peanut Butter/Jelly

Salt

## **Hygiene Items**:

Toothbrush/Toothpaste/Floss Hand Warmers

Hair Brushes/Combs Lip Balm

Pocket Size Kleenex

Gloves/Stocking Hats/Scarves

# CHILDREN'S CHURCH SCHEDULE

December

Dec 25—No Children's Church

January

Jan 01—Volunteer Needed! Jan 08—Linda Wartick

The Great Problem, Part 3 Proverbs 1:7				
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THOSE WHO SERVE					
<b>SUNDAY, 10:30 AM</b>	<u>Dec 25</u>	<u>Jan 01</u>	<u>Jan 08</u>	<u>Jan 15</u>	
Opening Prayer	D. Pierce	A. Shields	R. Brownlee	B. Turney	
Song Leader	K. Dodds	R. Harris	R. Harris	R. Harris	
Communion Talk	W I E1	D. D.	K D 11	N.D. II	
<u>&amp; Prayer</u>	W. LeFlore	D. Pierce	K. Dodds	N. Bradbury	
Contribution Prayer, Collection & Count	L. Turney A. Shields	T. Hudspeth W. Pierce	T. Hudspeth W. Pierce	T. Hudspeth W. Pierce	
<u>Ushers</u>	T. Hudspeth A. Hines	D. Clark J. Rayl	D. Clark J. Rayl	D. Clark J. Rayl	
Closing Prayer	R. Harris	M. Kline	M. Kline	M. Kline	
Deacon in Charge	L. Lewis	D. Pierce	D. Pierce	D. Pierce	
ATTENDANCE SUNDAY—December 18					
Bible Class       .31         A.M. Worship       .68         Contribution       .\$2,493					
WEDNESDAY—December 21 Auditorium—18 Teens—0					
Bible Hour—0		Total—18			

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ELDERS Rex Harris Tom Norris	Marvin Kline	SCHEDULE OF SERVICE Sunday Bible Classes9:30 a.m. Worship10:30 a.m.
DEACONS Nathan Bradbury Aaron Hines David Pierce Alan Shields MINISTER Wes LeFlore	Kevin Dodds Leroy Lewis Wade Pierce	Wednesday Bible Class7:00 p.m. Bible Class7:00 p.m.



"Reaching Inward, Outward Upward, Downward"

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# **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

December 25, 2022

Call to Worship

Song #548 "The Lily of the Valley"

Song #800 "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

Prayer

Song #350 "When My Love to Christ Grows Weak"

**Communion Prayers** 

Contribution Prayer

Contribution Collection

Song #753 "Farther Along"

Lesson

Song #909 "There's a Fountain Free"

Prayer

Every Sunday during the sermon we offer Children's Church to boys and girls ages 3 years through 2nd grade. They will meet in the Fellowship Room for stories, crafts and learning about Jesus.