#### December.

Dec 31 Devotional at Homestead; **CANCELLED** 

Dec 31 New Years Eve Party; 6:00 in the Fellowship Room

### **NEW YEAR'S EVE "EARLY BIRD" PARTY**

Join us as we celebrate NYE 2024, Sunday December 31 from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Room! We will have an "early bird" countdown at 9:00 p.m. for those who can't make it until midnight. Bring a couple of snacks and your favorite games to share! See Tom Norris for questions.

## 10 GUIDELINES FOR NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS In Your Relationship to...

**GOD:** be prayerful. Remember dependence and helpfulness in your relationship with God are prerequisites for spiritual health. How about a thorough spiritual check-up list this year?

**OTHERS:** be helpful. Make a commitment to show love and encouragement to someone every day. Challenge yourself to be kind and helpful especially to those who least expect it.

**YOUR MIND:** read and think about something noble and creative every day. Bring every thought into the captivity of Christ. Start the day with the Bible. Let the words of life fill your heart and mind before anything else gets to them.

**FEELINGS:** express them with love and honesty. Whether fear, guilt, grief, rage, shame, or anxiety, express your feelings to God, self, and trusted friend or spiritual mentor.

**ACTIONS:** be generous. Without thought of reward or praise be extravagant in your giving to others. Give freely of your love, time, money, spirit, creativity, encouragement, and praise. Don't be stingy with the most important and powerful gifts in your possession, let your actions reflect the startling love of God!

**SUCCESSES:** be thankful. Most if not all of our successes are the result of God's grace and not our cleverness or hard work. Count your blessings regularly.

**TROUBLES:** be trustful. For some mysterious reason, many times, God has chosen to make us mature through trials and hardships. Look for the hand of God in every circumstance and trust His guidance in the highs and lows of life.

**HEART:** be careful. Focus your love on the Father and Savior who reside within you. Be careful what you allow to creep into this sacred space which belongs to God.

**WORSHIP:** be still. Expressing your love and adoration to God isn't reserved for Sundays only. Don't get to busy throughout the week to make continual offerings of praise to God. Jesus is Lord of every day!

**SIN:** be repentant. Don't let sin harden your heart or break the connection between you and God. Confess your sins to the Heavenly Father every day. Claim His promises forgive you and make you pure and clean by the blood of Jesus!

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## FROM THE PREACHERS DESK

Fun with 2024!

As is our annual tradition, let's have some fun in anticipation of 2024 by looking at all the books of the Bible that have twenty chapters and twenty-four verses – maybe one will particularly stand out to you.

**Exodus 20:24** You shall make an altar of earth for Me, and you shall sacrifice on it your burnt offerings and your peace offerings, your sheep and your oxen; in every place where I cause My name to be remembered, I will come to you and bless you.

**Leviticus 20:24** Hence I have said to you, "You are to possess their land, and I Myself will give it to you to possess it, a land flowing with milk and honey." I am the Lord your God, who has separated you from the peoples.

**Numbers 20:24** "Aaron will be gathered to his people; for he shall not enter the land which I have given to the sons of Israel, because you rebelled against My command at the waters of Meribah.

**Judges 20:24** Then the sons of Israel came against the sons of Benjamin the second day.

**1 Samuel 20:24** So David hid in the field; and when the new moon came, the king sat down to eat food.

**2 Samuel 20:24** and Adoram was over the forced labor, and Jehoshaphat the son of Ahilud was the recorder;

**1 Kings 20:24** *Do this thing: remove the kings, each from his place, and put captains in their place,* 

**2 Chronicles 20:24** When Judah came to the lookout of the wilderness, they looked toward the multitude, and behold, they were corpses lying on the ground, and no one had escaped.

**Job 20:24** "He may flee from the iron weapon, But the bronze bow will pierce him.

**Proverbs 20:24** *Man's steps are ordained by the Lord, How then can man understand his way?* 

**Ezekiel 20:24** because they had not observed My ordinances, but had rejected My statutes and had profaned My sabbaths, and their eyes were on the idols of their fathers. (continued)

**Prayer List:** Tim Evans, Phil Hennig, Claire Norris, Marvin Kline, Gary Bodine, David & Rita Carroll, Bob & Beth Brownlee, Richard Wartick, Eliza Conwell, Larry Helton, Carrie Harris, Julie DeSoignie, Kylie Lock

#### EXPRESSION OF SYMPATHY

We express our deepest sympathy to Mary Ann Hennig on the passing of her husband Phil. Phil passed away this past week. Services are pending. Keep her and her family in your prayers.

# CHILDREN'S CHURCH SCHEDULE

December

Dec 31—Kaitlin Francisco

If you can volunteer, see Darlene Cooney!

APPROACH THE NEW YEAR WITH THE RESOLVE TO FIND THE OPPORTUNITIES HIDDEN IN EACH NEW DAY!





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**Matthew 20:24** *And hearing this, the ten became indignant with the two brothers.* 

**Luke 20:24** "Show Me a denarius. Whose likeness and inscription does it have?" They said, "Caesar's."

**John 20:24** But Thomas, one of the twelve, called Didymus, was not with them when Jesus came.

**Acts 20:24** But I do not consider my life of any account as dear to myself, so that I may finish my course and the ministry which I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify solemnly of the gospel of the grace of God.

As usual, there's a good mix of great verses that speak for themselves along with verses that have no discernable meaning by themselves. One of the best things we can all do in 2024 is read all of the verses of the Bible. I highly encourage you to bring any verses to me that you find particularly difficult to understand so we can look at them together! It's one of my favorite things to do.

Much love and Happy New Year!

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Notes:			

THOSE WHO SERVE							
<b>SUNDAY, 10:30 AM</b>	Dec 31	Jan 07	Jan 14	Jan 21			
Opening Prayer	N. Bradbury	D. Pierce	K. Dodds	B. Turney			
Song Leader	D. Pierce	A. Shields	A. Shields	A. Shields			
Communion Talk							
<u>&amp; Prayer</u>	W. LeFlore	T. Norris	N. Bradbury	R. Harris			
Contribution Prayer,	A. Shields	T. Hudspeth	T. Hudspeth	T. Hudspeth			
Collection & Count	W. Pierce	A. Hines	A. Hines	A. Hines			
<u>Ushers</u>	C. Francisco	J. Rayl	J. Rayl	J. Rayl			
	D. Clark	J. DeJarnett	J. DeJarnett	J. DeJarnett			
Closing Prayer	T. Norris	R. Harris	R. Harris	R. Harris			
Deacon in Charge	W. Pierce	A. Shields	A. Shields	A. Shields			
ATTENDANCE SUNDAY—Decem Bible Class				92			
Auditorium—28		Teens—7					

ELDERS		SCHEDULE OF SERVICE		
Rex Harris	Marvin Kline	Sunday		
Tom Norris		Bible Classes9:30 a.m.		
		Worship10:30 a.m.		
DEACONS		Wednesday		
Nathan Bradbury	Kevin Dodds	Bible Class7:00 p.m.		
Aaron Hines	Leroy Lewis	Bible Class7:00 p.m.		
David Pierce	Wade Pierce	1		
Alan Shields				

Total—53

Bible Hour—18



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## **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

December 31, 2023

Call to Worship

Song #123 "The Steadfast Love of the Lord"

Song #595 "I Come to the Garden Alone"

Prayer

Song #366 "By Christ Redeemed"

**Communion Prayers** 

Contribution Prayer

Contribution Collection

Song #524 "I Know Whom I Have Believed"

Lesson

Song #674 "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

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 study for stories, crafts and learning about Jesus.