

December

Dec 14 Youth Group Christmas Party after services
Dec 17 Children's Christmas Caroling
Dec 18 Men's Fellowship & Bible Study; 6:00 p.m.
Dec 19 Ladies Holiday Party
Dec 24 NO Wednesday Night Services
Dec 31 Wednesday Night New Years Eve Celebration

YOUTH GROUP CHRISTMAS PARTY

Youth Group, (6th-12th graders) there is a Christmas party planned after services on Sunday, December 14 in the Fellowship Room. Lunch will be provided.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP & BIBLE STUDY

Men of the Church, join us this Thursday, December 18 at 6:00 p.m. for a night of great food and fellowship. Please respond to Wes so food can be planned appropriately. Call, text, or email him at (918) 607-8489 or huskerwes1@gmail.com.

NEW YEARS EVE CELEBRATION

There is a New Year's Eve celebration after Wednesday evening services, Dec. 31. Please bring games and snacks to share.

BLESSING BOX MINISTRY

Thank you Church family for the cash donations and for your continued support of our Blessing Box ministry! We are in high need of items! We are adding canned goods back in the mix. Also, we are still taking money so someone else can shop for you!

"For the whole law is fulfilled in one word:

"You shall Love your neighbor as yourself." —Galatians 5:14 ESV

BLESSING BOX IDEAS

Non-Perishable Food Items:

Peanut Butter	Hygiene Items:
Granola/Protein Bars	Shampoo/Conditioner
Nuts, Oatmeal, Cereal, Crackers	Toothpaste/Toothbrush/Floss
Beans, Rice, Lentils, Pasta, Pasta Sauce	Brushes/Combs
One Box Meals or Mixes	Deodorant
Kitchen Staples (Flour, Sugar, salt/pepper)	Body Wash
Dry Soup Mixes, Seasoning Packets	Hats & Gloves
Canned Goods	Scarves
	Socks

May your week be filled with
good thoughts,
kind people,
and happy moments!



FROM THE PREACHERS DESK

Look Broader

It is not at all uncommon for me to get hung up on a single verse in a chapter of a book of the Bible.

I'm okay with that now, but there was a time when I wasn't okay with it at all. By "okay," I mean that I have learned to accept it. I'm not happy accepting it, but there you are.

If you have similar struggles in your studies, allow me to share some things that I've discovered on my journey that are helpful to me.

Sometimes, getting a good grip on the verse can be as simple as reading the entire passage in which the verse is contained. I apologize if that seems too elementary, I don't mean to condescend, but in my defense, I am most often asked questions about individual verses.

So begin with the paragraph and if that isn't helpful, read the whole chapter. I find that getting a good grip of understanding on a chapter is often much easier than an individual verse.

Sometimes an even broader context is necessary. For instance, it's important to know when you're studying Matthew chapter six, that chapter six is the middle chapter of The Sermon on the Mount, which begins in chapter five and concludes in chapter seven. Those three chapters are all the same context and must be treated as such.

Sometimes the overall context of the entire Book being studied must be considered. I find this especially true when studying the Book of John.

To the true seeker, the Bible is a treasure chest like nothing else in the world. It is a living, breathing and speaking document. There is none other like it.

And as always, if you ever want someone to discuss it with, it is my greatest pleasure and favorite pastime.

Much love!

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If you are visiting today, welcome! We are glad that you have joined us in worshiping our God. Please feel at home with our family, and let us know how we can serve you!

Prayer List: Alan Shields, Karl & Mary Lee Berg, Teri Lundblad, Charlie King, Cody Martin, Jarrod Kline, Harry Ricke, Chuck Cole, Brian May, Dianne Jeans, Marilyn Bartlow, Beth Brownlee, Richard Wartick, Kylie Lock

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Daniel was faithful to God, and he was blessed with wisdom. Our Theme for Children's & Teens Bible Classes for December is "Daniel Obeyed God." Here is a peek at this month's lessons, the Big Picture Question and Bible Verse.

Dec 07—Daniel Obeyed God (Daniel 1)

Dec 14—Shadrach, Meshach, & Abednego (Daniel 3)

Dec 21—Daniel in the Lions Den (Daniel 6)

Dec 28—Daniel's Prophecies (Daniel 7-12)

Big Picture Question:

Q: How can we glorify God?

A: We can glorify God by loving Him and obeying Him

*Whether, then, you eat or drink or whatever you do,
do all to the glory of God.*

—I Corinthians 10:31

*Three things you cannot recover in life: the WORD after it's said,
the MOMENT after it's missed, the TIME after it's gone.*

CHILDREN'S CHURCH SCHEDULE

December

Dec 07—Audra Hudspeth Dec 14—Linda Wartick

Dec 21—Volunteer Needed! Dec 28—Darlene Cooney

If you can volunteer, please see Darlene Cooney!

Greek of the Week:

In our text this week is a very uncommon Greek word, ***prosōpolēmpia***. As a matter of fact, it's a word that was created by the combination of ***prosopon*** (face) and ***lambanō*** (to take/receive). In the NASB Bible, ***prosōpolēmpia*** is transliterated into the English word "partiality."

In our vernacular, we might say, "to take at face value." And the Apostle Paul says, in Romans 2:11, ***For there is no partiality with God***, which is to say most literally that God does not accept people at face value.

God goes beyond the outward appearance, which can deceive people, but can never deceive God – He sees, and makes determinations, based upon what is inside of a person.

