

From the Church Office

Home Bound: Bettie Hughes, Annetta Cotton, Barbara George, Rosemary McCoy, Joyce Litke, Eulen Vaughn

Health: Jenny Swezey, Rachel Scott's mother (cancer), Betsy Frix's grandson, Eulen Vaughn, Garrett Gullion (nephew of Rochelle, open heart surgery), Art Lucas (passing of sister, Linda), Sharon Dean

Today's Prayer Partners: Mike and Teri Meyers, Harvey Spross, Betsy Frix

January Food Pantry Needs: Hamburger Helper, jelly, cereal, mashed potatoes, mac and cheese, syrup, soup, canned corn, canned meat, toilet paper, cash donation for frozen meat.

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January Birthdays:

Ray Douglas	Jan. 6
Bobby Lewis	Jan. 7
Jodie Dickens-Cleveland	Jan. 13
Brittney Binder	Jan. 15
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Eulen Vaughn	Jan. 20
Melissa Concilio	Jan. 23
Pat Ashley	Jan. 24
Garry James	Jan. 27
David Ash	Jan. 30
Bill Hinnen	Jan. 30

January Anniversaries:

Roger and Kris Huff	Jan. 8
Gary and Elizabeth Vaughn	Jan. 10
Rick and Deborah Mattocks	Jan. 20

- ◆ If you are visiting for the first time today, please stop by the Welcome Center in the foyer and pick up a welcome bag. We are so glad you are here today.
- ◆ Audio devices are available at the Welcome Center for those having difficulty hearing the service.
- ◆ Wi-Fi Connection...**CFCNAZ-guest** and enter the password **potato94**

Community Fellowship news

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER | JANUARY 2017

Should or Must?

By Pastor Roger

Every year we do the same thing. "This year I am going to _____." We can all pretty much fill in the blank with any number of things we are going to do differently in the next year, and we can all testify that by February we have pretty much given up on whatever it was we were going to do differently. I often relate this to the disciples before they were filled with the Holy Spirit of God on the day of Pentecost. They made claims like, "I will follow you even to death!", said Peter. It wasn't months later, it wasn't even weeks or days later, it was literally hours later when we hear Peter deny he even knows who Jesus is. There is something to be said about resolutions we SHOULD do and resolutions we MUST do. The same is true for a relationship with Jesus we know we SHOULD have and a relationship with Jesus we MUST have.

If we SHOULD do something, it simply allows for an out, or an excuse as to why we didn't do what we should have done or acted the way we should have acted. If, on the other hand, we MUST do something, it then becomes a priority and we cannot let another day go by that we don't do it. God's Word demands that we have a "MUST" have relationship with Him not a "SHOULD" have relationship. The best word on this is found in

Deuteronomy 6:5-6 – "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. 6 These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts." NIV (emphasis mine) The KJV says, "Thou shalt...." It is not "Thou should...." This is not an option, it is a command. Further, "...these words...shall be in thine heart....". "SHOULD" allows for options and in our present society we love options, because there might be something better that comes along tomorrow. In God's world there are no options. We MUST love the Lord and Him only. Just like New Year's resolutions that carry no weight when we make them based on what we SHOULD do, so the power of Holy Living will escape us when we only have a "SHOULD" have relationship with Jesus. You want to really make a difference in 2017? Change the perspective of how you view your relationship with Almighty God. It's no longer you "SHOULD" read and pray and share, it becomes, I "MUST" read and pray and share because God demands it! This will not only change your life it will change the lives of others around you as well.

I MUST move forward in 2017!!

Church Events

- Jan. 9th - 19 North Connection Group begins
- Jan. 13th – GET R.E.A.L. Movie Night
- Jan. 15th – Men's and Women's Connection Groups begin
- Jan. 21st - Children's Quiz
- Jan. 29th—31st - Revival with Dan Bohi
- Feb. 3rd - Mission Waco Breakfast
- Feb. 11th - Valentine Dinner and Drama

January 2017

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 HAPPY NEW YEAR	2	3	4 No Youth	5	6	7
8	9 19 North Connection Group	10	11 GET R.E.A.L. Student Ministry	12	13 GET R.E.A.L. Movie Night	14
15 Leadership Team Meeting 4 pm Men's/Women's Connection Group	16 19 North Connection Group	17	18 GET R.E.A.L. Student Ministry	19	20	21 Children's Quiz here
22 Men's/Women's Connection Group	23 19 North Connection Group	24	25 GET R.E.A.L. Student Ministry	26	27	28 Planning Session 10 am
29	30	31				

Revival with Dan Bohi

Adventure Zone Kids

January brings new lessons to our Adventure Zone. Our children will learn they have talents and that God wants them to use those talents for Him.

Jan. 8 — You've Got Talent
Jan. 15—Don't Waste Your Talent
Jan. 22—You've got Gifts—God has Big Plans for You
Jan. 29—5th Sunday with children in the sanctuary

We are hosting the area Children's Quiz this month, Saturday, Jan. 21st, at 10 am. You are invited and encouraged to come and watch.

GET R.E.A.L. Student Ministry

Wednesday night activities resume Wednesday, Jan. 11, at 6:00 pm at the Youth Center. The lessons revolve around a "New Year's Revolution." What is on your "gotta do" list this year?

Movie Night—Friday, January 13 at 6:30 pm. Bring \$2 for snacks. Bring a friend!

REVIVAL WITH Dan Bohi January 29—31

"And let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, but encourage one another, especially now that the day of his return is drawing near." Hebrews 10:25

19 North Ministry

Monday, January 9th at 6 pm, 19 North Connection Group continues in the Youth Center. The new study is based on the book "Faith Commander," with video lessons led by the men of Duck Dynasty. Enjoy a meal together before the study time.

Men's and Women's Connection Groups

Pastor Roger and Pastor Judi invite all men and women to join them for their new winter Connection Groups beginning Sunday, Jan. 15, at 6 pm. This first week the two groups meet together in the Fellowship Hall for a meal and a time of vision planning.

A New Life is Here



Congratulations to Dustin and Lezlie Athey on the birth of their daughter, Izabella Fay! Izabella was born Wed., Dec. 28, at 6:55 am and was 6 lb. 13.9 oz. and 18" long. Baby and mom are doing great and brothers Joshua and Kaidon are so excited she is here. Great-grandma Bonnie Nutt is also looking forward to holding another baby. Congratulations to all!

Turn on the Power By Pastor Judi

In our family, there are more girls than boys. That might be why Uncle Jeff was so excited when his younger sister presented the family with a baby boy, after several girls in a row.

Having been a farmer for years, Jeff could hardly wait until little Tristan could navigate well on his little feet! Jeff had a plan to ship him a big kid, power driven, riding John Deere tractor. His parents were surprised when the item arrived, shortly after Tristan's second birthday in February. For days they left it in the huge box, not sure when they would unpack it.

Finally they set their hands to the task, unpacked it and assembled it as an excited little boy looked on. They did not however, add the engine and rechargeable battery. (Not yet!)

In September, Papa and I made a trip to Portland to spend a wonderful week with Tristan and his family. Oh, how he delighted in showing us his "big boy" tractor. He sat in it, pushed buttons, steered the wheel, and smiled, all the while posing for pictures. Papa enjoyed helping him drive around the backyard patio.

Back home in Texas I shared the story with my sister-in-law and she loved it. Several days later she called to tell me that she had laughed all day each time she pictured little Tristan sitting in his tractor and going nowhere.

As she was chuckling about it, yet again, the Holy Spirit spoke these words to her: "Shadley, I have lots of children like that." He said. "Just sitting around, they are unaware that MY power source is within them."

WOW...His power. Here we are...embarking on 2017. What will we do differently? In Ephesians 3 verses 20-21 we read these words, "Now unto Him who is able to do above and beyond ALL that we ask or think—according to the POWER that works within you—to Him be glory IN THE CHURCH and in JESUS CHRIST to all generations..."

One day soon, Tristan's daddy will know that he has matured enough to take the wheel. He will add the power package to the John Deere and Tristan will navigate the sidewalks in the nearby park. Oh, the delight that will be his! Oh, the depth of his joy. What a ride he will have.

We are the Church! We have the power to right wrongs, power to win over the haunting of the enemy, and power to succeed when we've been told we can't. We have power to stick to a program of regularly digging into His Word and applying to our lives the instruction given to us. We have power to overcome! Why are we just sitting in our defeat? Grab the keys—turn on the engine—take a drive—be rejuvenated. Oh, the ride you will have in 2017 and beyond!