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Meridian Prayer Line
579-6632
CALL IN YOUR PRAYER REQUEST

GROW TEAM "R"
Monday, January 14th, 6:30

WORKERS FOR SUNDAY January 13, 2019

DEACONS OF THE WEEK:

Barry McGill * Gerald Blake
G.T. Ballenger Jim Nations

EXTENDED SESSION WORKERS:

Kelly Keener Anne Ballenger
Jeannie Cummings Bobbie Temple

OBSERVER PATROL—TEAM FOUR

Roger Long Joe Kimsey
David Ghormley Norman Smelcer

GREETERS

Ralph & Leona Fleming Ronnie Hickman

USHERS:

Gene Walkup David McLemore Scott Frei
Linville Brooks David Stroud Joe Fielden

IN THE HOSPITALS

Jimmie Nell Faulkner, 503 Parkwest

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JOIN A GROW TEAM!

Be a part of the GROW Ministry

Each Grow Team meets one Monday night of the month at 6:30 p.m. This is a great way to reach out with a visit, a letter, or a phone call to prospects of our church or absentees within the church. Team members are especially needed for the R & W Teams. Please call the church office if you can help in this ministry.

2019 GIVING ENVELOPES

You may pick-up your envelopes on the table outside the church library.

WOMEN ON MISSION IN JANUARY

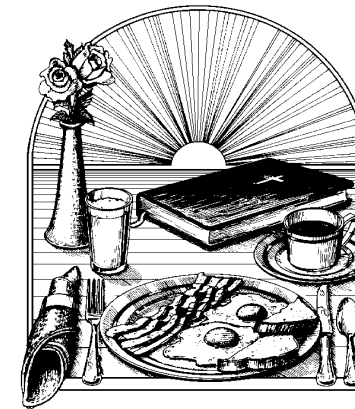
Bring dishwashing and laundry detergent for Montgomery Village.

Women on Mission will be serving lunch at Montgomery Village on Thursday, January 17th.

HOUSING REQUEST!

The Church leadership is asking members to provide information related to efficiency apartments, garage or basement units that could be rented by an individual in need. Housing needs to be near bus service and hopefully equitable in price. If you have any suggestions or know of an open unit please call the church office with contact information. All information provided will be confidential.

BAPTIST MEN'S DAY
SUNDAY, JANUARY 27, 7:30 a.m.
Cost is \$1.00 (you can pay in your Sunday School Department, Church Office, or on the day of the breakfast.



MAN/BOY BREAKFAST
Volunteers are needed to assist with cooking breakfast - See Ray Whitson

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

We need the items listed below in order to re-stock the shelves in the food pantry:

Pop top food (no cooking required)
Canned Meat, Crackers, Soup, Juice,
Cereal, Dried Beans, Peas
Spaghetti (pasta), Oatmeal
Macaroni & Cheese, Fruit, Peanut Butter

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FRIDAY, JANUARY 11

6:30pm—Young Adult/Adult 1 Fellowship

SUNDAY, JANUARY 13

9:30am—Sunday School

10:50am—Morning Worship

5:00pm—Nominating Comm.

6:00pm—Evening Worship

MONDAY, JANUARY 14

6:30pm—GROW Team R

TUESDAY, JANUARY 15

10:00am—Women on Mission

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16

4:30pm—Young at Heart

5:00pm—Meal

6:00pm—TeamKID

6:15pm—Business Meeting

6:15pm—Youth Unite

7:15pm—Sanctuary Choir

THURSDAY, JANUARY 17

Women on Mission serve at Mont. Village

STUDENT MINISTRY NEWS

Well here we are! 2019 already! Another year has come and gone and this one will unfortunately probably go just as fast as the last one. So what do you do to try to help life slow down? I'm hoping to simply try to enjoy life a little more. When I have time with my family or friends just take the time to enjoy it, even "savor" it. I don't think we can truly stop the hustle and bustle of life, but if we take opportunities to just take a little time to take it in we might slow it down just enough. I have a special opportunity to already do this as I have a day off during the week that I spend with my children. I need to really do that this year as it won't be too much longer until my oldest will be going to a pre-school program or school full time. It doesn't feel like she is that old yet, but that is part of the reason years seem to fly by as fast as they do. So as I get the opportunity to spend time with my children and savor just seeing them grow up, find something or someone to do this with as well. Enjoy the life and world that God created for us, and just sit down a little while and try to slow life down even if just for a little bit.

Blessings,
Chris

DONATE TO ESTABLISHED FUNDS

- Rusty Dixon Scholarship Fund was established to encourage students and help them with college expenses. This scholarship is given to active members or active participants at Meridian.

- SEND Fund was established in 2015 to help Maryah & Nathan Woerner as they are serving as missionaries in Japan. As a church, we committed to giving \$100 each month for five years to assist.

Senior Adult Bible Study
January 22 at 10:30am
Cost for lunch: \$3.00



WEDNESDAY MEAL

January 16

Meatloaf Mashed Potatoes Peas
Salad Dessert

Name: _____ Adults _____ Child _____

Our Giving

FIGURES FOR JANUARY 6

General Budget Fund	13,718.31
Capital Improvements	10.00
Pavilion Fund	40.00
Reimb. Church Envelopes	33.00
Lottie Moon Offerings	350.00
Grand Total	\$14,151.31
Monthly Budget Requirement	\$51,803.00
January Budget Giving	\$13,718.31

LOTTIE MOON TO DATE: \$9,291.26

Our Attendance

Preschool	13	Grow Team	
Children	19	G	
Youth	12	Members	
Adults	103	7	
TOTAL	147	Contacts	
Visitors	3	30	

CONSTANT CONTACT CONSCIOUSNESS

Contacts for the week of 12/31—1/6 Total 84
4 & 5 yrs—9 Adult 3—33
Adult 4—24 Adult 5—18

Memorials & Honorariums

A gift was given to the Pavilion Fund in memory of Gladys Brackett, Ronnie Gregg, and Paul DeLapp from the Wayne Baker Family.

A gift was given to the General Fund in memory of Gladys Brackett, Ronnie Gregg, and Paul DeLapp from Sam & Myriam Martin.

A gift was given to the Mission Home Fund in memory of Ronnie Gregg from Julia & Johnny Warren and Barry McCarter.

A gift was given to the Mission Home Fund in memory of Paul DeLapp from Barry McCarter.

A gift was given to the Mission Home Fund in memory of Harold Holloway from Martha Holloway.

An anonymous gift was given in memory of Robert Mowery.

A gift was given to the General Fund in memory of Bob & Barbara Overton from their children.

Noteworthy News

MY GOAL FOR 2019

TO ACCOMPLISH THE GOALS OF 2018 WHICH I SHOULD'VE DONE THEM IN 2017 BECAUSE I PROMISED THEM IN 2015 AND PLANNED THEM IN 2014.

makeameme.org

HAVE YOU KEPT YOUR NEW YEAR RESOLUTION? According to USA.gov the top five resolutions are:

Lose weight - 22.92%

Get fit - 18.97%

Eat healthy food - 12.25%

Save money - 9.49%

Manage stress - 7.51%

According to the same source, only 8% will succeed! Sounds kind of hopeless doesn't it? Well, here is a resolution you can keep. And the longer you keep it the easier it gets. JOIN A CHOIR! It's easy to keep this resolution because singing in a choir:

1. Releases endorphins and makes you feel good.
2. Reduces stress.
3. Increases social fulfillment.
4. Boosts your self esteem.
5. Stimulates the mind and memory.

Singing is known to tone throat muscles which could lead to reduced snoring! Excellent news if you are the spouse of a snorer!

Very soon we will begin preparing music for Easter. There could be no better time to join. Do it today!

New year blessings!

Bro. Dennis

ANTHEM SCHEDULE FOR ADULT CHOIRS

Jan. 13 Indescribable
Jan. 20 Jesus Saves (Combined choirs)
Jan. 27 Men's Choir
Feb. 3 I Can Pray

The Pastor's Pen

Dear Church Family,

Sunday I preached on "Good News For the New Year". I presented the biblical truth that if you are a Christian, God will continue to work on you until He perfects you in His presence. Sunday night I gave some biblical advice related to you working with God to help you become all that God desires. Now we have arrived at the first "back to normal" week after the holidays! So the decision is yours!

What will you do in your life to get out of the rut of normal living? I believe God wants us to grow and growth means doing something we have never done before. Growth is challenging and sometimes threatening, but God promises to be with you and enable you as you grow in the Lord. Paul said this in Phil. 2:13 "For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure."

Do you hear that! God takes pleasure by working in the lives of His children. God has opportunities and activities He wants you be involved in for the weeks and months ahead. Maybe you need to invest your time in a ministry or mission project. Possibly you could volunteer for the GROW Ministry, join the choir or become a Homebound worker. The opportunities at church are many, but you can discover where God is at work around you and join Him in a work He has just for you.

Henry Blackaby wrote a study called, "Experiencing God" and his premise is this: God is at work all around us, and we need to join Him in His redemptive work! Maybe you need to invest in getting to know your neighbors better and in doing so you may find a window of opportunity to share your faith. Possibly you are into technology and you love to share on Facebook, Instagram or Twitter! If so, why not become a positive influence in the midst of all the mixed messages. Magnify the Lord with positive posts and uplifting scriptures and in doing so lift up the Lord.

The opportunities to invest in a new way this new year are as varied as your personal gifts and talents. I know one person that shares the love of the Lord by just crocheting afghans. Another I knew in the past baked cakes, and yet another uses their voice to magnify the Lord.

Discover your God-given gift and use it for the glory of the Lord in 2019!

Do something new for the Lord,

Bro. Dana