

January 2019

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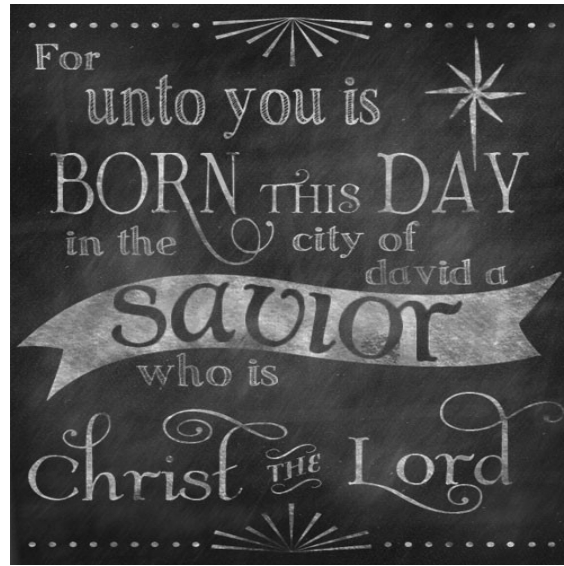
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From the Pastor, David Warren

Merry Christmas!



December Schedule

Sunday 23rd

**10:00 AM Morning Worship
(No Sunday School)**

Monday 24th

6:00 PM Christmas Eve Service

Sunday 30th

**10:00 AM Morning Worship
(No Sunday School)**

From the Youth Minister - Dillon Fox

Dillon

Happy New Year everyone! What an amazing opportunity a new year brings for each of us. If you're like me, you start off the new year with a plan and the thought of "this year is going to be different!" While many start off strong, by the end of January, we are back in a familiar place, doing the same things we promised to be done with. I would often fall into this trap, losing my motivation to change and to go back to what was easier. This works with our relationship with God, doesn't it? We make big promises, such as "I'm going to read my Bible all the way through this year!" or "I'm going to spend more time in prayer". Though our intentions are pure, we often fall back into the same rut, making the same promises year after year with no change in sight. So, what is it that causes this? How do we make lasting change in our lives, without falling into this same trap again and again? The Bible makes one thing clear, the Christian life isn't about you. Think about it with me for a minute. You were saved "not by works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy." (Titus 3:5) This truth should free us to understand that it is Christ who changes us, who makes us more like Him. It is by faith in Jesus that He can accomplish in us what we couldn't do ourselves that makes a difference. The Bible doesn't say "fix yourself", it calls us to trust Him with that. Our part is to put the Lord before our lives every day, making Him the most important part of our life. We must make the decision to focus on Christ more than anything else. I pray that we would do that this year. I pray that our hearts would yearn for more of Jesus this year!

Upcoming Youth Events:

February 15th-17th - Explosion Weekend

Announcements

Men's Breakfast - January 6th at 8:00 AM. Men of all ages are welcome.

Finance Committee Meeting - Sunday, January 13th 5PM in the conference room.

Golden Agers Breakfast - Monday, January 14th at 8:30 AM. Our guest speaker will be Holly Pannell from Kindred at Home.

Deacon's Meeting - The monthly Deacon's meeting will be Sunday, January 13th at 7:00 PM.

Lottie Moon Christmas Offering - This year's goal is \$10,000.00. Collections thus far total \$5,204.00. We will continue collecting thru the end of the year.

Offices Closing Early - The Church offices will close at 4PM on December 20th for the Staff Christmas Party.

Church Offices Closed - The Church Offices will be closed on December 24th-26th For the Christmas Holiday.

Christmas Schedule - Please be sure to make note of the time change for the Sunday Morning Services on December 23rd and 30th. No Sunday School on those days.

We have a Resource Room that is located on the west side of the sanctuary, accessible from the foyer or hall. Please come and take advantage of a wide range of free resources that are available. Donations and suggested topics welcome.

Hearing Assistance Devices are available during morning Worship Service. They are at the Welcome Desk prior to the service. Technicians are available to assist you.

Faith Refuge—We will be providing a meal and short service to the residents of Faith Refuge in Wichita Falls on Sunday, January 27th.

Men & Women's Ministries

Men's Disciple Group Tuesday mornings at 6:00 AM.

Ladies Bible Study— A new Inductive Bible Study through the book of Mark led by Heather Hart will begin on Monday, January 14th. Lunch will be served all are welcome!

Children's Ministry

Children's and Youth Activities on Wednesday evenings include a meal each week. We will resume on January the 9th at 6:00 PM with a meal of chili cheese fries. Please see the schedule on the back of this newsletter.