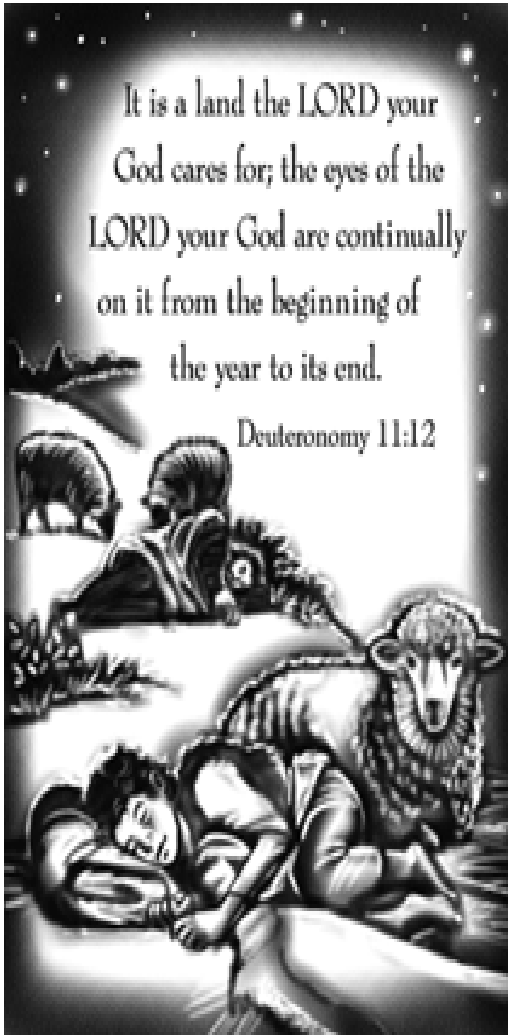


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Dear Church Family,

Sometimes when I sign someone’s Birthday card, who seems to be fretting about getting older, I will sign it something like this: “Happy Birthday, it’s always nice to have another one!” Well, that’s the way it is for the New Year, it’s always nice to have another one!

A New Year is an opportunity for a new beginning in many areas. Sometimes we make New Year’s resolutions; we are going to do some things different. Sometimes we keep them and sometimes we don’t. Those we keep usually make a huge difference in our lives. Of course most of us know that we don’t have to wait for a New Year to do things different.

One of my favorite poems is “The Land of Beginning Again” by Louise Fletcher Tarkington.

I wish that there were some wonderful place
Called the Land of Beginning Again
Where all of our mistakes, and all of our heartaches,
And all of our poor, selfish grief
Could be dropped like a shabby old coat at the door
And never be put on again.

The Christian life is like that. Jesus told Nicodemus, “You must be born again!” Of course He was talking about being spiritually born for above. Being born again is a dramatic experience. The Christians life is such that it’s like stating all over again. But even in the Christian’s walk with God he needs a fresh start from time to time. A Scottish preacher by the name of Alexander Whyte used to say that the victorious Christian life was “a series of new beginnings.”

Now, the question for you today is do you need a new beginning with God? You might ask, “Well, how do I know I need a new beginning with God?” The answer is simple; if you were once closer to God than you are now; if you once hungered and thirst after God and the fellowship of His people more than you do now, then you need a new beginning with God.

In the Love of Christ,
Bro. Dudley

December 1, 2013

Sunday School 43
Church 56
Budget: \$9,742.00

December 15, 2013

Sunday School 65
Church 105
Budget \$4,269.00

December 29, 2013

Sunday School 36
Church 59
Budget \$3,840.00

Designated Offerings Monthly Totals

Air Conditioner \$100.00	Tseasa \$200.00
Food Pantry \$200.00	Poinsettia Fund \$285.00
Building Fund \$490.00	Family bereavement \$500.00
Lottie Moon \$1,250.00	Benevolence Fund \$96.16
Contingency Fund \$6500.00	Reimbursements \$393.28

Average In Sunday School 46
Average In Church 70
Budgets Receipts In December \$33,049.25
Monthly Budget Needs \$22, 185.66
Over Budget \$10,863.59

WEDNESDAY ATTENDANCE REPORT

December 11th

Adults 28 Youth 7 Children 10

December 18th

Adults 22 Youth 5 Children 9

Please be in prayer for our church & weekly ministry activities. Please pray that the youth & children who attend on Wednesday nights will become involved in the Sunday morning services. Also pray that we can reach their parents. Continue to pray for our church & its outreach ministry.

December 8, 2013

Sunday School 41
Church 64
Budget \$12,976.00

December 22, 2013

Sunday School 43
Church 67
Budget \$2,222.25

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

Sundays

9:30 am Prayer Time For Services
9:45 am Sunday School Hour
11:00 am Morning Worship Service
5:00 pm Visitation
6:00 pm Sunday Evening Service
Youth Activities

Wednesdays

6:00 pm Fellowship Meal
6:30 pm Mid-Week Service
Youth & Children's Activities

IN THE DAYS AHEAD
IN THE DAYS AHEAD

January 13, 2014

5:00 pm Finance Committee Meeting

January 15, 2014

6:30 pm Business Meeting

January 17, 2014

7:00 pm —11:00 pm
Youth Game Night

January 19, 2014

Monthly Birthday Celebration

January 20, 2014

5:00 pm Property & Space Committee Meeting

January 26, 2014

11:00 am Lord's Supper

THANK YOU NOTES

Dear Church Family,

I want to thank all of you , my people, for your support of my family and me through this past year with your prayers, your encouragement, and love. I also want to thank you as the church, for the Christmas gift. Individually your cards, gifts and other expressions of love were deeply appreciated. My family and I appreciated all of your kindness. We love you. May God bless you, and may 2014 be a happy, healthy, and safe year for you.

Love Bro. Dudley, Deborah & Ethan

First Family,

The Christmas Holidays are hard living so far away from both our families. Travel expenses are always a concern when planning our 8 hour trek across The Republic of Texas. Your Christmas gift helped make it possible to see and visit with our families over the holidays. Thank you for your generosity, and love.

God Bless Robert & Branalyn

Thank you so much for the gift FBC gave me.

*Love to all,
Robert McClain*

Thanks for the Christmas gift. I really appreciate it.

Kevin

To the church family,

Thank you very much for my Christmas gift again this year, it's so very much appreciated and God Bless you all.

Juanita

Dear FBC Family,,

Thank you so much for the Christmas gift. I would allso like to thank you for all of your prayers for Stan & me this last year. I would like to wish each of you a healthy & happy 2014.

Judy