

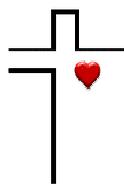
An Epistle from Paul:

Joy to the World! – The following was written by a Steve Fulton: “In 1247, a hospital was founded in England called St. Mary of Bethlehem. Two hundred years later, it was converted into an asylum for the insane. In those days when the feeble-minded were chained and abused, that institution became known for its noise and chaos. The original name of Bethlehem was gradually shortened to ‘Bedlam’ – a word which made its way into the English language as a description of confusion and uproar. How does a beautiful, peaceful word like ‘Bethlehem’ deteriorate into a world like ‘bedlam’? By the same process of insanity that seems to grip folks at this time of year. When people are feeble-minded with forgetfulness of the Christ Child, maddened with materialism, and wild with worldliness, they become chained with covetousness and come into conflict with others of the same mentality. Their lives become so chaotic that there is no peace...”

What a timely article wouldn't you say?! This certainly speaks to each of us who claim *The Prince of Peace* as Lord and Savior. Here then is my point. May we let His message shed *joy* through us – the very *joy* this ole' world really needs!

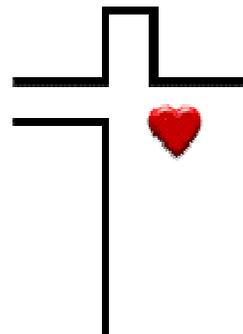
Postscript – This will be our last “Timely Word” for 2012. From our household to yours – may the celebration of our Lord's birth bring the kind of worship and honor He alone is deserving... Plan now to be present with us this coming Sunday evening for the cantata... We rejoice at Tonya's decision to become a Christian. May many more be making like decisions in the very near future... Continue to pray concerning the land matter behind us. In the Lord's timing this all will happen... Bring your Bible and your friends this coming Sunday and together we'll worship Christ!!!

In His Marvelous Love, *Paul*



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The Timely Word

Proverbs 15:23 “... How delightful is a timely word.”

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Come Worship and Serve Him With Us!

Bible School9:30 a.m. Morning Worship10:30 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study10 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.

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Come, Celebrate His Birth With Us!

Sunday, December 16th here at the church building we will be gathering at 7 PM for the express purpose of having a special worship assembly to celebrate the birth of our Lord! We want to invite and urge you and your family, friends, neighbors and working associates to come and be a part of this grand gathering. Our choir will be presenting a special cantata entitled *The Promised Hope*. There will be other matters taking place that will help all in attendance focus their attention upon Christ the Lord! Afterwards, we will all retreat to the fellowship area for some of the best desserts anywhere... What can we do to urge and you and your gang to come and be a part of this time? Our Lord's birth is central to the Gospel message. Let's honor Him together this night!



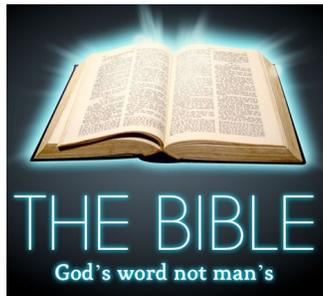
Here's the Count!

December 2, 2012\$1,997.00
 December 9, 2012\$2,341.43

Tonya Thatcher Immersed Into Christ!



It was our privilege to witness the Lord add another precious soul to His Church, Sunday, December 2nd. Tonya Thatcher stepped forward at invitation/decision time and let it be known she wanted to become a Christian. Upon her confession that "Jesus is the Christ..." we all witnessed Tonya being immersed into Christ. We also are reminded that it was Tonya's request that we, her church family, now help and encourage her as a single mom. Let's reassure Tonya of this and be assured there are others waiting for us to come and show them their need for a Savior!!!



Upon Requests!

A quote was used in conclusion to Sunday's sermon that several have requested its content. For the lack of space here, let us direct you to the church's web-site and click on the "info center" and look in "sermon notes". You will find the complete outline, including this quote of Sunday's message. Again, the author is "unknown" but what a terrific summary to the Bible's importance!

"A Child is Born"

Such a simple declaration, but where would we be without this fact? We would be lost and without any hope!



(by no means an exhaustive list)

All Military Personnel: Adam Wentzell, Christopher Drew, Ben Shelley, Zachary Polsini, Cody Vance, Bud Reed, Courtney Reed, Austin Brasher, and Stephen Watts (if others please let us know...)

Recovering and Other Matters: Doris Childers, Betty/Cronley Teater, Ruby Rieger, Florence & Jeanie Laubauch, Emma Grace Mills, Reva Cole, Dan Swihart, Monte Rieger, Dottie Campbell, Tim Ketchem, Neil Snow, Pam Kauslick, Wanda Lee, Greg Moore, John Hackenbracht, Greg Moore, Eddie Johnson, Jack Rowell, Tammy Dunaway...

Dealing With Cancer: Pam Cole, Emily Shank, Mary Kidwell, A.T. Rogers, Judy Bell, Dalene McIntire, Rita Culp, Cory Wysong, George and Barb Collins...



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New Year to Begin!

As hard as it is to imagine, we will be embarking on a new year in just a few short days. Let us resolve with the Lord's presence and strength to make this more than a banner year for our Lord and His church right here. We will be announcing the theme and new studies for the New Year. Reaffirm your faithfulness to our Lord and His Church in this coming year!!

Continue to Bring Them In!

We have been so blessed here recently with several young people being brought to the new Bible School class and worship time...

We continue to urge you and others to bring them and more in! What a thrill to know young lives are being influenced with the Gospel. If you know of any young people needing rides, let us know and we'll make sure they get a ride to be a part of this class!!

