



February 2019

First Baptist Church of Clewiston

We are now past the holidays and things have settled down; so how are your New Year's resolutions going? Probably about like they have in past years. It has been said that you can tell what is important to a person by looking at his checkbook. I wonder if the same holds true with resolutions.

Did we resolve to have a closer walk with our Savior for the new year, or was it about weight, spending, job, etc. If we did make a resolution to better serve the Lord, how is that going?

We were blessed in the last several months to be under Roger Bradley's preaching. One point he repeatedly made was for us to recognize what a great God we serve and the privilege we have to serve Him. One important job of a pastor is to equip the saints for service. Have you been equiped, and are you ready to serve?

We serve the Lord in many ways by serving through His body, the Church. The Church's orders are recorded in the Great Commission. We serve inwardly and outwardly. The members and the lost.

So here are some (but not nearly all) questions to gauge our effectiveness. Do we prepare ourselves for the church service by prayer: for our heart, for the preacher, for the lost? Have we invited anyone to the services in the past week? Have we shared our testimony lately? Have we called or visited a fellow member who is sick, homebound, or otherwise hurting? Do we make our attendance in the assembly a priority or not? What comes before our worship? Jesus had something to say on this subject (Matt 10:37-39). Are we good stewards of the time, talents, and treasure He has provided to us? If we see a need do we excuse ourselves with "that's not my gift" or "that's the job of someone else" or do we simply turn a blind eye? One of the final points Brother Roger made Sunday was "When you see a work being neglected, instead of criticizing, help."

Some of us have jobs that require performance evaluations. As Christians, we do, as well. If we were to die today, would we hear Jesus say "well done, good and faithful servant?" If we can not say "yes", then it is time to make a change.

Charles

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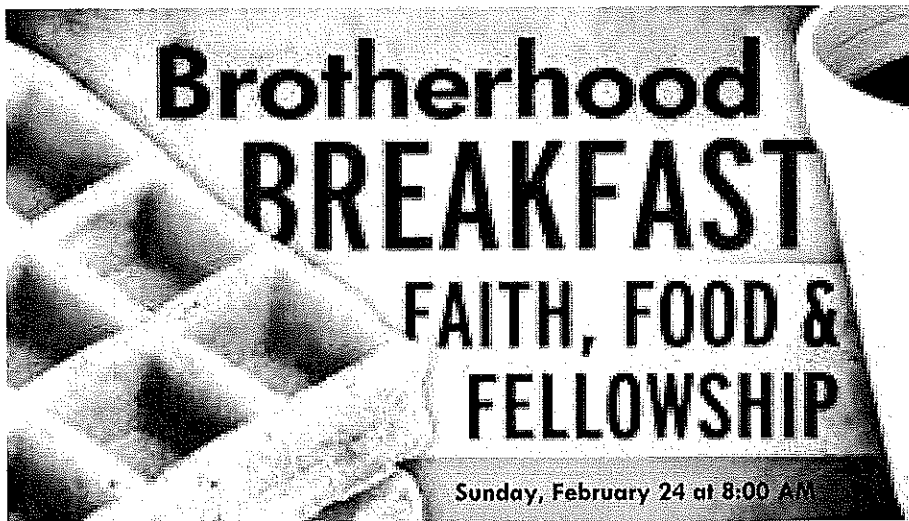
| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|--|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|---|---------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------|
| | | | | | 1 | 2 Groundhog Day |
| 3 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:55 AM Worship | 4 | 5 | 6 6:30 PM Bible Study 6:30 PM Children & Youth Ministries | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| 10 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:55 AM Worship 12:15 PM Finance Committee 6:00 PM Deacons' Meeting | 11 | 12 Lincoln's Birthday | 13 12:00 PM XYZ Luncheon 1:00 PM Clothing Ministry 6:30 PM Bible Study/Church Conference 6:30 PM Children & Youth Ministries | 14 Valentine's Day | 15 | 16 |
| 17 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:55 AM Worship 10:55 AM Lord's Supper Nursery cancelled due to Lord's Sup- per | 18 President's Day | 19 6:00 PM Gideons' Meeting | 20 6:30 PM Bible Study 6:30 PM Children & Youth Ministries | 21 | 22 Washington's Birthday | 23 |
| 24 8:00 AM Brotherhood Breakfast 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:55 AM Worship | 25 | 26 | 27 1:00 PM Clothing Ministry 6:30 PM Bible Study 6:30 PM Children & Youth Ministries | 28 | | |

XYZ Luncheon
Wednesday, February 13
12:00 PM
Fellowship Hall

Lunch will be provided.

Please RSVP to the church office by Monday, February 11.

All ministries outside Sanctuary on Sunday, February 17
are cancelled; including nursery due to Lord's Supper.



February Nursery Schedule Sunday Morning 3 Yr. Old/ Pre- K

2/3 - FeBeth Yongco
2/10 - Michele Dowdle
2/17 - No Nursery
2/24 - Stacy Pitts

February Birthdays

2/1 - Carlette Redish
- Richard Bethea
2/3 - Delores Duncan
2/7 - Rick Shearer
2/10 - Alan Martinez
2/12 - Alfredo Escobar
2/17 - Jeannie Barnes
2/18 - Eileen Perez
2/19 - Mary Pullen
2/23 - Nadia Galiano
2/28 - Myrtice Sutton

Thank You

On behalf of the Clark family, I would like to thank you for the prayers and many acts of kindness shown to us in the loss of our mother Marie Clark. A special thank you to Rev. Bradley, Ginnie Fountain, Mary Pridgen and Phyllis Wilkinson. We covet your prayers in the days to come.

~ Barbara Wilkie

Dear Church Family at First Baptist Clewiston, Thank you for your kindness to our family during our son Tom Conner, Jr.'s extended illness and passing. Your prayers, cards, calls and memorials have meant so much to our family. We will always miss Tom but we have great peace and comfort in knowing he is with our Father in heaven.

Tom Senior and Joyce Jones Conner
(Tom Conner Jr. was the grandson of the late Tom and Mary K. Jones and a cousin of Dean Younkman)