



SOUTHSIDE NEWS

January 2018

From The Pastor's Pen!

Well, here we are in 2018. It just seems like 2017 started and now we are celebrating the coming of a New Year. As you begin this New Year, I would like for you to think about some personal goals that will help in building the Kingdom of God. My article this month is a blank space—"How do you want God to use you in 2018 in helping Him build His Kingdom? Take some time, pray, and listen as you allow God to lead you in 2018! Write those goals in this space and keep them before you as you live out this New Year!

Keep Looking Up,

Bro. Howard

SERMON	January 7	January 14	January 21	January 28
Morning	The God You've Been Searching For: "To Know God and To Love God" Colossians 1:9-14	The God You've Been Searching For: "The God Who Holds the Future" Ezekiel 38:23	Why Am I A Church Member?: "I Will Be a Functioning Church Member" 1 Cor. 12:12-31	Why Am I A Church Member?: "I Will Be a Unifying Church Member" Ephesians 4:1-3
Evening	The Promise of God's Presence: Exodus 33:12-23	The Promise of God's Protection Isaiah 41:10	Unveiling the Hidden Jeremiah 33:1-3	Praying With Authority 1 Kings 18:36-37

Wednesday nights we will be continuing our "Journey Through the Bible". We are currently in the New Testament. Come join us!

DECEMBER 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3 Beans, Cornbread, Apple Crisp	4 Food Pantry 1:30-3	5	6
7	8	9	10 Pot Pie, Salad, Cake	11 Food Pantry 1:30-3	12	13
14 Deacons Meeting 8:30 am	15	16	17 Business Meeting 6 pm Night of Encouragement Chicken Fillets, Potatoes with Gravy, Cake	18 Food Pantry 1:30-3	19	20
21	22	23	24 Chicken & Dumplings Salad, Pudding	25	26	27
28	29	30	31 Breakfast	<p><i>Thank you to everyone for the cards and Merry Christmas wishes, and for the extra bonus check. It was so appreciated!</i> Melissa Taylor</p>		

We would like to thank everyone for the monetary, gift cards and gifts of love during the Christmas season! Your thoughtfulness is humbling and very much appreciated!
Bro. Howard and Sherry

If South Side needs to cancel any services due to bad weather, please tune to TV station channel 40/29 or check the church website of Facebook page. If the Fort Smith School system classes are cancelled on Wednesday due to bad weather our services will also be cancelled. This would be a good time for each Sunday Schol class to, if you have not already, set up a call list. If you set up a cancellation call list for your Sunday School class, please let Bro. Howard know so he can call the contact person on your list. Phone calls are usually the quickest and easiest way to make contact.



Thank you to everyone who has been so supportive with your prayers and encouragement to BJ and me these past years. We are finally back in our home, and feel like our lives are getting back to normal. An extra thanks to everyone who blessed us during the Christmas season, and in September for M-O-M. You are a WONDERFUL church family who has never hesitated to let God love us through you! We are truly blessed to be part of this church family!
Paula & BJ

This January start the year with an empty jar. Each week add a note with a good thing that happened.

On New Year's Eve empty the jar and read about the amazing year you had.





During December we had our annual Lottie Moon Prayer and Offering Emphasis for support of SBC International Missions. Our church's goal was \$1750. Offerings given through South Side totaled \$6105. Thank you to everyone who prayed and supported our IMB missionaries!

- 5th Allison Plummer
- 11th Doris Ashworth
- 13th Earl Lininger
Skyla Phifer
- 14th Jimmy Jones
- 17th Brandi Phifer
- 25th Mick Galvan
- 30th Cindy Gilmore
- 31st Anna Raymond



The renovations to our sanctuary have been amazing. Although there is still a lot of work to be completed, it looked wonderful for the Christmas season. Thank you to everyone who helped with the work, and with the decorations on the 10th. The work on the sanctuary will resume when the worst of the cold weather passes. If you would like to help, talk to Mike Hicks or Brian Sweeten to find out when we get back to work!

Ushers in January—Pat, Pete, Tammy

Date	Morning prayer	Deacons
1-7	Mike Hicks	Mell Moss Chuck Quillman
1-14	Chuck Quillman	Mike Hicks Brian Sweeten
1-21	David Goodson	Mell Moss Chuck Quillman
1-28	Mike Hicks	Mike Hicks Brian Sweeten

Date	Attendance		Giving	
	Sunday School	Morning Worship	Budget Gifts	Design. Gifts
12-3	50	54	\$4197	\$1337
12-10	46	49	\$5522	\$1326
12-17	46	47	\$3177	\$1858
12-24		51	\$2321	\$5568
12-31	27	37	\$943	\$115

2017/2018 Budget	Annual Budget	\$228,266
	Yr/Date Needed	\$175,600
	Yr/Date Receipts	\$156,967
	+ (-) Budget	(\$37,278)
	Needed Weekly	\$4390
Weekly Avg.	\$3924	

2017 IN REVIEW

MEMBERSHIP:

Added five new members through baptism:

- Lisa Barholm
- Skyla Phifer
- Aubrey Collum
- Justin Barholm
- Kristy Baldrige

Lost three members to death:

- William Roach
- Pam Fleetwood
- Lucy Johnson

GIVING:

Cooperative Program	\$13,149
Annie Armstrong	\$ 1,286
Children's Home	\$ 1,986
Dixie Jackson	\$ 2,250
Lottie Moon	\$ 6,105
Associational Missions	\$ 6,450
Local Missions	<u>\$ 2,457</u>
	\$30,683

FOOD PANTRY:

- # Families Served: 305
- # Individuals Served: 771
- Designated offerings: \$1833

REJOICE ALWAYS!

PRAY CONSTANTLY.

GIVE THANKS IN EVERYTHING, FOR THIS IS GOD'S WILL FOR YOU IN CHRIST JESUS.

1 THESSALONIANS 5:16-18

*Make 2018 the year of an
ATTITUDE OF GRATITUDE*

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Check out our website at www.ssbconline.org.

The website has been updated and really improved. Sign on to see all the changes. If you have suggestions as to things you would like to see on the webpage, please let us know.

South Side also has a Facebook presence as well. It has been updated as well. If you will “like” our page, you’ll get updated information as it is added. Sharing the page with your friends will help spread the word as to what we are doing here at South Side Baptist.

If you no longer wish to receive this newsletter, please call, write or email us at southside@ssbconline.org



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Sun.	Pre-service Choir	9:00 a.m.
	Morning Bible Study	9:30 a.m.
	Morning Worship	10:50 a.m.
	Choir practice (full)	5:00 p.m.
	Evening Worship	6:00 p.m.
Wed.	Prayer & Bible Study	6:00 p.m.
	Children's activities	5:45 p.m.