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# MEADOWBROOK NEWS

**JANUARY** 2020

Newsletter of Meadowbrook Baptist Church

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**Pastor:** David Van Bebber

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@ First Baptist Petersburg  
Speaker- Keith Szablewski--- shot a 51 point buck in November 2018 in southern Illinois. Bring a couple food dishes and a friend. If you have wild game, please cook it and bring it. Come early (doors open at 5:30pm) to fellowship with men from other churches and register for door prizes.



Sign up by Sunday, Jan 26th



for Jesse Brummett  
Sunday Jan 26<sup>th</sup>  
during the morning service

*From My Heart  
to Yours  
by Pastor  
David Van Bebber*

Happy New Year 2020!

Can that really be possible? It doesn't seem like it was all that long ago when the world was consumed with the Y2K crisis that either was prevented from happening, or simply never materialized. A few months ago, as I began thinking of the New Year 2020, it made me think of 20/20 vision. 20/20 vision of course refers to having perfect vision. I wish I had 20/20 vision. As it is, I have been wearing eyeglasses since I was in the fourth grade. The shape of my eyeballs at some point became distorted to the extent that I could no longer see things in focus that were very far away. But as I was thinking about having 20/20 vision and the new year 2020, I thought of how much more important it is to have a spiritual vision that is clear and particularly, that we might refocus our lives on Christ so that we might have a clearer vision of who He is and what His purpose in our lives is. Of course, the first step in getting 20/20 spiritual vision is to accept Christ's amazing grace in your life and to accept Him as your Lord and Savior. John Newton, the writer of the song Amazing Grace, testified-- I "was blind but now I see!" Sometimes as Christians we need to refocus on the Lord in our lives because we have taken our eyes off of Jesus and have been focusing on the things of this world instead. Join me this year in refocusing on the Lord so we might all have 20/20 spiritual vision of who He is and what He wants us to focus on in our lives this year.

As always, I love you and I love being your Pastor!

Have a blessed 2020!



Monday, Jan 13<sup>th</sup>

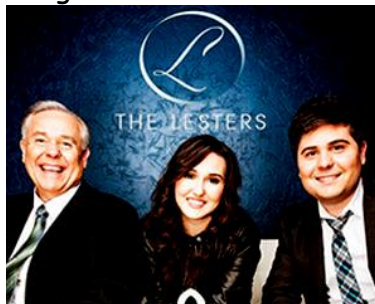
6:30pm

@ Rita Brummett's  
14929 BAB Rd.

Ladies- join us for  
sandwiches/soup and a great  
time of fellowship!  
Invite a friend to join us!

**ALL life matters!**  
Throughout the month of January we will be collecting change, diapers, wipes, etc. for Baptist Children's Home & Family Services- Angels' Cove. They provide care for pregnant women/girls & their babies, counseling, parenting education, family care, & spiritual opportunities.

Coming March 1<sup>st</sup>-The Lesters



in concert

## Al's ½ Note

2019 is almost gone. Or, by the time you read this it will be gone. Starting 12 months ago we made resolutions with the best intent we could muster. Some were somewhat successful and some were a major flop. But that's ok. Better to attempt and fall short of our goals than no effort at all.

This coming year, why not try and focus on one thing-- improving our life with a closer relationship with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Personally speaking, I can think of no higher goal than to improve on my relationship with the Lord. I want to break this into 3 segments: learning (growing), giving and passing it on.

1) Learning may be accomplished in many different ways. We need to spend more one on one time with the Master, and participate in group Bible Study and/or Sunday School. Worship attendance is also very important, and we need to make sure these things are not neglected by putting its importance on the back burner.

2) Giving- Jesus gave a perfect example of this. He gave His all. Our time, energy, talents and treasures would be a perfect sacrifice. Are we tithing as we are told to do? Are we allowing the Lord to use our talents in His way and not MY WAY? Are we devoting our time to Him?

3) Passing it on- we need to be passing our faith on to our family, friends and those around us. The Body of Christ across the country has been in a decline for years now. And why? We are not passing it on. Our life with Christ was given to us, not to hoard, but to pass on.

If we can focus on these 3 areas, there will be eternal ramifications, not temporary gratifications. Jesus gave everything possible. How about us likewise next year? Luv ya'll!

## Mission Trips

Informational Meeting  
Jan 11<sup>th</sup>, 10am-12pm  
Prince of Peace Church



Sunday Bible Study 9:30am



Sunday nights at 6:00pm beginning Jan 12<sup>th</sup>. Bring your friends on Sunday nights for a time of Bible Study and fun!



Sunday School for all ages every Sunday- 9:30am



Pre-k thru 6<sup>th</sup> gr  
Wednesday Nights  
6:00-7:00pm

TeamKID will resume  
January 8<sup>th</sup>!



To our Family and Friends

**January**

- 2 Austin McElyea
- 2 Henry Dugger
- 2 Michael Dugger
- 8 Dana Beck
- 13 Marg Rebbe
- 27 Tammy Longmeyer
- 30 Ryhanna Merrifield

We want to include all of our church family. Please let us know if we have overlooked your birthday.

Sportsmen's Banquet  
Jan 25 @ 6pm

First Baptist Petersburg Guys, bring your dad to the Sportsmen's Banquet to hear Keith Szablewski of Johnston City who shot a 51 point buck in southern Illinois. More info on the foyer bulletin board.



**Building/AC Fund...**

Money will be used for some much needed repairs and updates to the building. Mark your check & envelope "Building Fund". Thank you for giving above and beyond.



2 convenient ways to give:  
**ONLINE**- visit [meadowbrookbaptistchurch.org](http://meadowbrookbaptistchurch.org) and click **Online Giving**.

or

**TEXT**- text the word "meadowbrookbaptist" to 73256.



**SUNDAY SCHOOL**

*Make the Connection*

as we grow together in Christ while building relationships with one another.

There's a place for everyone of all ages each Sunday at 9:30am!

We need YOU.....



Invest in the lives of a child..  
Sunday School teacher  
Nursery/Preschool volunteers  
TeamKID teacher & helpers  
Contact Pastor for more info.

**Financial News Year-to-Date**

As of December 29<sup>th</sup>

<b>Needed to date-</b>	<b>\$ 103,480.00</b>
Received to date-	\$ 87,067.97
Checking Account	\$ 3,855.13
Debit Account	\$ 125.00
Building Fund	\$ 3,857.79
Lottie Moon Christmas	\$ 110.00

†Faithful Servants in January†

Nursery: Babies - Two's

5<sup>th</sup> \_\_\_\_\_  
12<sup>th</sup> Cinda Cain  
19<sup>th</sup> \_\_\_\_\_  
26<sup>th</sup> Cinda Cain

Three's - Five's

Kylie Tournear  
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Sherri Dugger  
Sarah Brummett

Safety

Lonnie Cain  
Josh Brummett  
Zack Rector  
Terry Silveus

Ushers

5<sup>th</sup> John Cribbett, Zack Rector, Brian Rector  
12<sup>th</sup> Zack Rector, Brian Rector, Nick Rector  
19<sup>th</sup> Brian Rector, Nick Rector, Albert Eller  
26<sup>th</sup> Nick Rector, Albert Eller, Todd Brummett

Tellers

Jodi Rector & Hettie Crocker  
Brian Rector & Pat Stuhmer  
Kim Brown & Kristi Lancaster  
Louise Dudley & Sarah Brummett

MARK YOUR CALENDARS -- IF YOU CANNOT SERVE ON THE DATE INDICATED, PLEASE TRADE WITH SOMEONE ELSE. If you would like to serve as an Extended Session helper, please let Pastor know.

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**Sunday Schedule**

9:30a.m. - Bible Study for all

10:40a.m. - Morning Worship

6:00p.m. - Youth IGNITE

**Wednesday Schedule**

6:00p.m. - TeamKID

7:00p.m. - Praise Team