

2025
EMBRACING GOD'S PLAN FOR OUR LIVES

Happy New Year

Ecclesiastics 3:1-10

What is _____?

- We're Not Always sure what _____ is -
- For many, happiness depends on _____ happenings!
- Greek word for happiness: _____ -
- New Testament translated "_____ or _____." (Matt. 5:3-10)
- Happiness does not come from having _____ -
- True happiness is living a contented life at _____ with God!

There's a _____ for Everything -

- This year will be full of _____ events that we may have no control over!
- One of the great myths of humanity is that _____ are in charge! (Daniel 5:18-23)
- Life is full of _____ -
- God wants for us to be _____ people (Phil. 4:4-8)

Burdens _____ Us to God -

- God allows the circumstances of life to make us aware of His _____! (Ecc. 3:14)
- Many have _____ to turn to God and glorify Him for who He is!
- Only God can bring a certain _____ into all circumstances of life, which gives us _____ for happiness in the New Year! (Ecc. 3:11)

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SCHEDULE

Sunday

Bible Classes for all ages 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday

Men's Class on summer hiatus

Wednesday

Bible Classes for all ages 6:30 p.m.

ELDERS AND STAFF

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OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

Bible Hour
Shannon Cottam

ELDER for December Dale Donaghe
LADIES COMMITTEE for December The Donald girls



DECEMBER 28, 2025

Order Of Worship

Song Leader: Bob Chadwick

Welcome.....Dale Donaghe

238 Holy, Holy, Holy
226 How Great Thou Art

Prayer.....Kevin Thompson

764 When We Meet In Sweet Communion

Lord's Supper.....Mike Bryant

118 Count Your Blessings

Offering.....Brian Donaghe

782 Worthy Art Thou

Scripture Reading.....Danny Donaghe

Morning Service....."Happy New Year".....with Roy Senior

414 Lord, I'm Coming Home
340 Into Our Hands

Closing Prayer.....Mike Darnton

Evening Worship.....5 P

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Dec. 28th Morning Class @ 9:30 A
Morning Worship @ 10:30 A
Evening Worship 5P P

Jan 31st Evening Class @ 6:30 P

Jan 1st New Year's Day

3rd Men's Breakfast @ Tom's @ 8:30 A
Alora Bryant, Buzz House & Ethel Senior's b-day

2025

Look back and
thank Jesus.

2026

Look forward and
trust Jesus.

THOUGHT FOR TODAY

He is a man of sense who does not grieve for what he has not, BUT rejoices in what he has.

SCRIPTURE FOR TODAY

Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For His sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ. ~ Philippians 3:8

PRAYER IS IMPORTANT

-Please keep the extended family of **Melodee Buzzard** in your prayers as they received the sad news of her death. Also, keep the entire community in your prayers, i.e. neighbors, teachers & friends.

-**Dennis Russell**, a former preacher with the Foster Road church of Christ, passed away recently. Please keep his wife **Sandy** in your prayers following his passing.

-**Bob & Billie Jean Chadwick's** grandson **Elisha** came through his most recent surgery well. Prayers of thanksgiving!

-**Don Ribble** returns home from his trip to Egypt tomorrow. Prayers for safe travels.

-**Debbie Nelson** asked for prayers for her stepson **David**. His parole was denied & he is disappointed. Prayers for his faith in every circumstance.

-**Elias Hernandez** asked for prayers as his daughters **Lesly & Genesis** travel here for the holidays. Also, for **Lesly** as she joins the Army after the 1st of the year. Prayers for safety in her new endeavor.

-It was great to see **Jinny Donald** here with us last week doing so well after her knee procedure. Prayers that she will continue to have little to no pain as she starts her PT.

-Prayers for **Linda Bryants' brother Kerry** as he continues to battle prostate cancer. Prayers for peace & acceptance with his diagnosis.

-Please continue to **Alora Cottam** in your prayers. She continues to struggle. Prayers for peace & comfort & confidence in God, that he has her in his arms.

-Prayers for **Jerry & Sandy Hopkins** as they travel home later this week.

ENCOURAGING WORDS

"Things Present...Things to Come"

In Romans 8:31-39, Paul thru inspiration, gives us a wonderful description of "the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord" and list things which cannot separate us from His love. It is an inspiring passage for Christians going through difficult and ever-changing times. If God is for us, we conquer, through the power of a love, supremely evidenced by the gift of His Son.

Circumstances threatening to separate us from the love of Christ include tribulation, distress, persecution, famine, nakedness, peril, and the sword (vs. 35). Forces which might cause us to question His love include death, life, angels, principalities, powers, height, depth, and any other created thing. But, tucked neatly away in this list and often overlooked are "things present" and "things to come."

Whether "things present" or "things to come", we must not allow our focus to be drawn away from the blessing of God's love in Christ. Present circumstances change from day to day. But Paul learned to be content regardless of his situation—whether living in prosperity or suffering need (Ph. 4:11-12). In the end, he declared, "I can do all things through Him who strengthens me" (vs. 13). Trusting in God brings a great sense of empowerment in dealing with present-day challenges. Though "the mountains slip into the heart of the sea"; God remains "our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble" (Ps. 46:1-2).

As it pertains to "things to come", we know the God knows "the end from the beginning...that [His] purpose will be established" (Is. 46:10). God will take care of the future. In the present, we must fulfill His purpose in our lives. There is no need to fill today with regrets from the past or the anticipated problems of the future. "Each day has enough trouble of its own" (Mt. 6:34). We trust. We pray. We thank. We persevere. We keep on rejoicing. Why? Because of His undying love for us!

R. Senior

JANUARY CALENDARS & THOSE WHO SERVE
ARE AVAILABLE ON THE BACK TABLE