



The church of Christ
at
Grandview Pines

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THE NEW YEAR

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A Synopsis

The prospects for a prosperous new year are as bright as ever. One of the greatest blessings the new year holds is opportunity. Some recognize the value of opportunities and make resolutions in order to seize as much benefit through personal planning as possible. While maturity may well be displayed in making plans in view of the possible outcome five, ten, or more years from now, wisdom is realized in respecting the relatively narrow limits of life's duration. The wise man urged, "So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom" (Psa. 90:12). The Psalmist referred to "days" not "years." The brevity of life is spoken of as "a step," "a weaver's shuttle," "a shadow," and "a vapor."

A Step

Young David was forced to flee the wrath of Saul. On two occasions Saul had cast a javelin at David in an effort to smite him to the wall (I Sam. 18:11). One missed step in dodging it would have proven fatal for David. He told his trusted friend Jonathan, Saul's son, "...Thy father certainly knoweth that I have found grace in thine eyes; and he saith, Let not Jonathan know this, lest he be grieved: but truly as the LORD liveth, and as thy soul liveth, there is but a step between me and death" (I Sam. 20:3). David wisely watched his step with Saul.

A Shuttle

A skilled weaver sends his shuttle flying through the suspended threads to fashion his fabric. The imagery is employed by desperate Job who said, "My days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle, and are spent without hope" (Job 7:6). The loss of flocks, family, fortune, and fame challenged Job's faith, but he focused on the future in eternity with God (Job 1:20-22).

A Shadow

Job, burdened by his losses, said, "Man that is born of a woman is of few days, and full of trouble. He cometh forth like a flower, and is cut down: he fleeth also as a shadow, and continueth not" (Job 14:1-2). So, Job repeatedly acknowledged his temporal nature and submitted to the eternal God who finally blessed him beyond measure.

A Smoke

Still air about a candle snuffed out sends the smoke streaming upward like a thin white ribbon. The twists and

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Welcome to the services of the Grandview Pines church of Christ

We are thankful to be able to gather to worship our God (John 4:24). Visitors, please take time to fill out a card and place it in the collection plate. If you have questions about what you see or hear we would be glad to answer them after the service. We hope all leave edified and uplifted.

News, Notes & Nouncements

Upcoming Youth Events

- January 8th - **Area Wide Devo** @ Redland Road congregation
- February 12th - **Area Wide Devo** @ Grandview Pines congregation
- February 24-26 - **Challenge Youth Conference**

Ladies Retreat

January 20th - 21st. Money needs to be turned in by January 11th to Jason and Myra Hall.

Our Shut-Ins

Please take the time to call, visit, or send a card to our Shut-Ins.

Linda Bush - Prattville Rehab & Nursing Home, RM 212.

Katie King - Room 308, 95 Charlton Place, Old Prattville Hwy. 290-2966

Creation/Evolution Debate

The recent debate will be made available on DVD. More info will come.

Soles for Souls

We have set up a collection box for shoes for the less fortunate. Please assist in this community service project. Please see Levi Colquitt or Christopher May for more information.

Shut In Communion Sign-Up List

A sign-up list for taking communion to our shut-ins is posted in the foyer.

Please help us serve our shut-ins in this manner. (James 1:27)

Cell Phone Usage

Please silence cell phones so our worship services will not be interrupted. Please do not be disrespectful to God and those assembled by sending or receiving messages during class and worship. Thank you for your help in this matter.

Downstairs Fellowship Hall

To prevent any unfortunate accidents, please help us keep children away from the construction downstairs. They do not need to be down there unsupervised.

Bible Study

Sunday Morning

Topic: The book of Philippians.

Teacher: George Vinson

Wednesday Night

Topic: The book of John

Teacher: Terry Claunch

Monthly - January 13th @ 6:30pm

Topic: How to Study your Bible

Teacher: George Vinson

Pictorial Directory

Over the next few weeks we will be taking pictures after services for our new pictorial directory. Please have your family's picture taken so we can have an updated directory.

Barnabas Board

We want to encourage everyone to use the board in the foyer for posting notes of edification, thanks, etc.

Lord's Supper Sign-Up List

Ladies don't forget to sign up to prepare the Lord's Supper for 2012.

Autumn Place

We will meet with the residents at four o'clock this afternoon. Come join us as we sing and study.

Youth Devotional Sign-up List

A new sign-up sheet for our fourth Sunday youth devotionals has been placed in the foyer.

We also have a sign-up sheet for the men who are willing to give the devotionals.

Ladies Class

Will be starting back on Jan. 11th.

Do You Know Your Bible?

Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. — 2 Timothy 2:15

This Week's Question:

What was Moses' mother's name?

Bulletin Updates, Changes & Removal of Names

Don't forget to let us know if prayer list or other bulletin information needs to be changed.

Please email Trey Harvell by Friday night. trey.harvell@gmail.com

Prayer List

... but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. — *Philippians 4:6*

(in alphabetical order by last name)

Wayne Abernathy - (Pansy Weldon's brother) At home with hospice.

Brandon Arnold and family - (Friend of Caleb Colquitt) Father passed away.

Beth Barber and family - (Coworker of Jeremy and T. Harvell) Lost her sister in a car accident.

Beverly Barrett - (Friend of Goldens) Awaiting a kidney for transplant at UAB.

Tim Bayles - (Toni Colquitt's brother)

Don Brannan - diagnosed with cancer. He is an elder at Eastern Meadows.

Lee Bowren - (A. Sadler's mother) in nursing home in Heber Springs, AR.

Hulon Cooper and his wife Barbara - (B. Little's family) In motorcycle accident, sister-in-law broke her leg.

Jackie Cooper - (B. Little's family)

Rickey Cooper - (B. Little's family)

Russell Cooper - (B. Little's family)

Jerry Davidson - (Director of Guyana missions) Parkinson's Disease.

Charles Dobbins - (friend of the May family) under hospice care.

Sydney Fuller - (G. Fuller's brother) has two inoperable aneurisms. Continue to pray for him.

Addison Hall - will be seeing

another doctor for second opinion.

Fredrick Harbaugh - His mother at 93 is dealing with various ailments. Pray that she will be comforted at this time.

Marilyn Hatcher - (E. Howard's mother) Returned home from chemo treatments.

Holley Family - (Friends of Goldens) Sherry Holley passed away last Saturday. She was a member of the Lightwood congregation.

Tim Johnson - (G. Shelton's uncle) is undergoing cancer treatments. Cancer has spread to his liver.

Rayford Lee - (J. Sadler's father-in-law)

Amos Luster - Diagnosed with acute leukemia. Cards, calls, or visits would be appreciated.

Walter & Cheryl May - (R. May's parents) both facing physical ailments.

Vera Mixon - (Myra Hall's grandmother) At home recovering from stroke, health is in decline.

Ann Morris - (friend of the Fullers) additional surgery on Tuesday

Alen Nix - (friend of Gwen Shelton) diagnosed with cancer. Will be going to Texas for treatment.

Martha Pilkinton - (Glenda Gregory's sister-in-law) terminal cancer.

Peggy Rice - (Janice Claunch's mother)

Holly Sadler (Jay's wife) - diagnosed with diabetes and liver damage.

Peggy Stabler - Fourth Stage Kidney Failure

Ginger Sanders - (Friend of Angel Ashley) Diagnosed with cancer.

Carolyn Stanley - (Coworker of Jeremy and T. Harvell) Undergoing several procedures including spinal surgery over the next few months.

Tina Tatum - Home from hospital.

Mickey Thomas - (former member) Room 313 Prattville Rehab.

Amy Turner - continuing to deal with illness.

Juanita Waggoner - (M. Stinson's aunt) advanced stage of Parkinson's Disease.

Lisa Wright - Recovering from recent surgery. She will be having further surgery as well.

Lisa Woodard - (friend of Toni Colquitt)

Nancy Woodall - (friend of the Moodys) diagnosed with cancer.

Garrett Young - heart problems.

Military personnel & their families

- Joshua Corey - deployed
- David Howard - Afghanistan, address is on the bulletin board if anyone would like to send him a card. Please do not include his rank when addressing the card.
- Britt Shores - Afghanistan

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turns it takes hardly can be appreciated until momentarily it is gone. The KJV speaks of life "even as a vapour," but the ASV of 1901 has "ye are a vapor." James wrote, "Go to now, ye that say, To day or to morrow we will go into such a city, and continue there a year, and buy and sell, and get gain: Whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away. For that ye ought to say, If the Lord will, we shall live, and do this, or that" (James 4:13-15).

A Summary

Opportunities are related to time. "Boast not thyself of to morrow; for thou knowest not what a day may bring forth," wrote one of the wisest men who ever lived (Prov. 27:1). In developing great plans for the new year, the role each individual day plays is crucial to the outcome. Sage and scriptural advice is "We then, as workers together with him, beseech you also that ye receive not the grace of God in vain. (For he saith, I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of salvation have I succoured thee: behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation)" (Isa. 49:8; II Cor. 6:1-2).

*Privileged to Serve
Sunday Worship Services*

	Today: January 1st	Next Week: January 8th
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AM Service

Announcements	Sammie Girod	Jim Hammonds
Song Leader	Luke Wright	Tom Young
Opening Prayer	David Conyers	Jim Cox
Closing Prayer	Jeremy Claunch	Doug Stabler
Scripture Reading	Brandon Gonzalez 1 Cor. 11:23-29	Trey Harvell
Lord's Table - Head	George Vinson	Lary Sadler
Lord's Table - Serve	Nick Girod Robert Golden Ricky May Doug Stabler	Coby Mayne Ben Cooper Tim Ashley Jim Ezekiel

PM Service

Announcements	Sammie Girod	Jim Hammonds
Song Leader	Luke Wright	Tom Young
Opening Prayer	Tom Young	Charles Price
Closing Prayer	Terry Claunch	Brandon Gonzalez
Lord's Table	George Vinson	Lary Sadler
1st Sunday Sermon	Lary Sadler	

Sunday Helpers' List

Foyer Attendant	Charles Price	Ricky May
Greeters	Lynette Burkey Diane Cox	Jerry Ellison James Woodruff

Wednesday Bible Study

	This Week: January 4th	Next Week: January 4th
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Song Leader	Tim Ashley	Alex Stinson
Invitation	George Vinson	Jeremy Claunch
Closing Prayer	Jim Hammonds	Glenn Fuller

If you cannot meet your scheduled duty & cannot find a replacement,
please contact Jim Hammonds.

Elders:

Terry Claunch 285-4142
 Jim Cox 303-0414
 Glenn Fuller 365-4923
 Lary Sadler 285-7455
 George Vinson 262-3440

Deacons:

Lonnie Burkey 467-9444
 Jason Hall 549-1869
 James Woodruff 285-2947
 Luke Wright 205-280-6454

Minister:

Terry Claunch

Study 285-6327
 Home 285-4142
 Cell 313-1539

Work of Evangelism:

Home Bible Studies
 Bible Correspondence Studies
 Biblical Tracts
 Staton & Tutwiler Prisons
 Sermon CDs & Cassettes
 Gospel Broadcasting Network

Work of Benevolence:

Guyana Missions - Summerdale
 Congregation
 1st Sun. singing - Autumn Place
 2nd Sun. singing - Merry Wood Lodge
 Clothes for Panama
 Eye Glasses for Thailand
 Assistance to those in need

Work of Edification:

Sunday

Bible Class 9:00 AM
 Worship 10:00 AM
 Worship 5:00 PM

Wednesday

Ladies' Class 10:30 AM
 Bible Class 7:00 PM

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