Passion for God.....Compassion for People December 21, 2008

Dates to Remember:

Men's Business Meetings are the first Sunday of each month immediately following morning worship. Plan to attend and be a part of the decision making process of the congregation.

Prayer Meetings are held the first Monday night of each month at 7:00 p.m. If you are unable to attend but have a prayer request, please contact Bro. M.C.

James 5:16. . . the effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.

Stanton Nursing Home Services are today beginning at 2:30 p.m. Please join us in making our congregation a light in the community.

Our Church Singing is the second Wednesday night of each month. Singing night is an important part of our worship. Please plan to attend. Your presence encourages others.

each Sunday morning, beginning at 8:30. Please make an effort to listen to our lesson on the air. You may pick up a message you missed the first time around. **WSKV** – **104.9 FM**

Food Pantry: Help those less fortunate by contributing to the food pantry. Please bring non-perishable items. With the Christmas season here, our food pantry is very important to those less fortunate. Please make this part of your personal ministry.



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Worship Services:

Sunday Morning Bible Study	10:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship	11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday	7:00 p.m.
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Privileged to Serve

Announcements and Sick	Jody McCoy			
Songs of Worship				
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A.M. Prayer	Homer Rice			
A.M. Prayer before Worship				
A.M. Closing Prayer				
P. M. Opening Prayer	Brian Rice			
P.M. Closing Prayer				
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December				
Communion:				
Reading	Terry Abney			
Serving	Greg Brewer, Walter Rice			
Collection				
Prepare Communion	Paula Rice, Erica Rice			
Cleaning Outside				
Van Driver 12/21/08				
Van Driver 12/28/08				
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Please Lift Up In Prayer:				
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Paul and Sue Napier, Fred Teasley, Patricia Fetters, Reva O'Hair, Anna Vires, Ellaray Campbell, Correne Hatton; Sharon Olinger, Kay Stewart, Pauline Powell, Luke and Dorothy Newell, Joe and Debbie Slone, unspoken requests, the elderly in the church, all those on the church prayer list;

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And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins. *Matthew 1:21*

This and That

The Christmas holiday season is all about a time of joy, peace, and what is right with the world and people. We generally see the best side of people when it comes to being charitable and caring for those less fortunate. It warms the heart to hear of the needs of an individual or family being met by a caring stranger. Come to think of it, this is all about being a Christian. You see, the people of the world are the less fortunate and needy people. Being shackled to sin and its consequences by personal and universal guilt, such are lost and undone. There is no hope without the care and support of our loving savior. Paul states in Romans 3:23 that "all have sinned". He follows up in chapter 6:23 by saying the "wages of sin is death but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord".

Of all the gifts that may be given or received this holiday season, God's gift is still the best. It began with a promise God made to Adam and Eve in Genesis 3:15 and culminated with the acceptance of repentant man in Acts chapter 2. All in between men and women looked for and hasted the day when they may be freed from the guilt and power of sin through God's Messiah. There is hope for all who will recognize their condition and come to the Lord Jesus. One may be without some material thing and still be rich if Jesus is their savior. What a wonderful thought that we can enjoy an eternal life in a perfect environment one day, all because of God's love and sacrifice for us. This Christmas, as we go about our merry way, please don't forget the perfect gift of God. "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life", John 3:16. The best gift to give and receive is Jesus.

Think about it.

Daniel Newell

