BETHANY HIGHLIGHTS

January 2013

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While you are all getting used to filling in 2013 as the year, let us look at a change at Bethany as well. Our midweek prayer time/Bible study is moving. We are changing the time when we meet. We will meet on Wednesday mornings at 10:00 a.m. We will meet on the 1st, 3rd, 4th, and 5th (if applicable) Wednesdays. There will be no meetings at night. The second Wednesday is reserved for PRIME TIMERS. The sessions will last about one hour. We are beginning this month. Our first focus will be on the books of I & II Thessalonians. Paul was writing the Christians in Thessalonica to encourage them to keep the faith in their changing and trying world. I suspect you are like me and have questions for God in our constantly changing culture and society.

Did you make a resolution involving your faith walk, church attendance, giving, Bible reading, or some other aspect of your relationship with Christ? Let your brothers and sisters in Christ at Bethany walk with you and help you, as you help them, with your faith walk this year.

Serving Christ together,

The Church Council will meet on Thursday, January 17, at 7:00 p.m. We need each committee and group to have their representatives here so we can properly plan our church calendar through June of this year. If you are not represented, you may miss your needed dates on our calendar.

What table games do you like to play? Skipbo? Uno? Rummy? Checkers? or something else? Bring your favorite game and some snacks to share to the Fellowship Hall on Saturday, January 26 at 6:00 p.m. The Sunday School officers will provide the soft drinks, coffee, lemonade, and popcorn. They need you for the rest of the setting. Join us for a time of fun and fellowship.

Our Woman's Missionary Union is moving to their winter schedule. They will meet on Sunday, January 20, after our worship service. They will have a meal and then their regular meeting. All of the ladies of the church are encouraged to join them.

Our Christmas mission's offering is going very well. We have collected well over \$1200, thank you and congratulations. We will be closing out our offering by mid January. If you have a gift for missions be sure to get it in soon.

The February *Highlights* article deadline is January 22.

Do you have a suggestion or a request for our Deacons? If you do, drop your note in the Suggestion Box in the Sunday School office. It will be appreciated and taken seriously.

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January 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 Bible Study 10:00 am Choir Rehearsal 7:30 pm	3 Deacons 6:30 pm	4	5 Adult II Class Party 6:00 pm @ BBC
6 Sunday School 10:00 am Worship 11:00 am	7 Men's Mtg. 7:00 pm	8	9 PRIMETIMERS 12:00 pm Choir to BGHCC 6:30 pm	10	11	12
Epiphany						
Sunday School 10:00 am Worship 11:00 am	14	15	Bible Study 10:00 am CIA 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal 7:30 pm	17 Church Council 7:00 pm	18	19
20 Sunday School 10:00 am Worship 11:00 am WMU 12:30 pm	21	Newsletter Deadline	23 Bible Study 10:00 am Choir Rehearsal 7:30 pm	24	25	26 Family Game Night 6:00 pm @ BBC
27 Sunday School 10:00 am Worship 11:00 am Communion	28	29	30 Bible Study 10:00 am Choir Rehearsal 7:30 pm	31		

January Birthdays

23 – Dickie Bettis
24 – David Anderson
24 – Julie Newberry
25 – Marion Marshall
26 – Jackson Sepulveda
27 – Donald Marshall
28 – Thomas Roland
30 – Junior Bowles
31 – Claude Corthon

January Anniversaries

- 2 David & Wanda McAllister
- 7 Herbert & Jeanette Gatewood

Healthcare Center Prayer List:

Scarlett Blanton	Bobby Carnahan
Ruby Bullock	Nell Durrett
Brenda Cannon	Violet Henshaw

Deacons

Alice Allen	(804) 448-3292
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Danny Lee	(540) 582-8213
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Bobby Orrock (Chair)	(804) 448-3914

Deacon of the Month:

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The mission of Bethany Baptist Church is to make a positive impact for Jesus Christ with people who live in our community by sharing the message of eternal life through Jesus Christ and by growing together as the family of God.

Just a thought...

If absence makes the heart grow fonder, some church members are deeply in love with the church.