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Good morning, Northside Family. I hope your Christmas holiday with family and friends was a blessed, memorable occasion. What a joy to give gifts to those we dearly love as a reminder of the Gift God gave to redeem us. May the blood of that one Greatest Gift cover us as we move into a New Year.

And not just a New Year, but a new decade.

Each New Year is a chance to start over. To begin again. But the beginning of a new decade seems to hold an added opportunity to hit the re-start button. To go back to the starting block, ridding ourselves of the past, and launching forth into a new beginning.

What hopes, dreams and aspirations do you hold for the New Year and new decade? Putting the Kingdom first (Matthew 6.33), what dream are you dreaming for God? What could you and your family invest in so that, ten years from now, the Kingdom will be stronger, healthier, fuller than it is today?

I'm struck by sentiment of these words: *"We all have two lives, and the second begins when we realize we only have one."*

Think about it. What better time to begin your second life than on the dawn of a new decade? To do that most important one thing with our one life of which Paul writes, *"forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead"* (Philippians 3.13).

God has been good to our church family during the 2010-2019 decade. A new worship center. New mission projects. New expansion of Corin Read Camp. New faces and new families. New births. New residences for people will love in heavenly mansions.

But what's ahead of us is greater than what's behind us! With the Kingdom first (Matthew 6.33), what dream do you have for the Kingdom of God in 2020-2029?

I Love You all, Jim

Prayer List: **Stacy Barnes** will have tests on Thursday. **Patrick Bowers** is awaiting biopsy results. **Ruthie Burgess** will have hip replacement surgery on Friday at the Maumelle Surgery Center. **Jan Hastings** is now at home after having successful shoulder surgery last week. **Laura Hutchison** is awaiting a date for a lithotripsy procedure due to a large kidney stone. **Suzanne Reed** is waiting for results of a recent MRI. **Micah Sexson**, Grisham & Teresa Phillips' son-in-law, is improving some. He has been moved to an extended care room where he will be receiving more rehab. **Harold Stuart** will see a hip surgeon on January 17 to set up a date for surgery. **Robert Webb**, John's brother, is in ICU at UAMS being treated for having a brain bleed.

Continue to remember: Lois Baxter, Sherry Benton, Blythe Bowers, Tyler Buck, Gail Bueker, Joe Campbell, Charles Caradine, Cash Clancy, Briannah Diamond, Todd Donahue, Susan Dorsey, Don & Patricia Flowers, Kelley Geurin, Mark Gober, Ella Graves, Steve Graves, Mark Greeno, Helen Hairston, Kenneth Haltom, W.K. Hannah, Logan Harris, Misty Harrison, Michelle Hastings, Terry Hastings, Ronnie Hastings, Donna Haughee, Orville Haxton, Seth Henry, Jan Hicks, Lillian Hogue, Chris Humes, Betty Humphries, Lynne Hutto, Buddy Jones, Glenn Kays, Rod Kirk, Reba Leonard, Yvonne Lewis, Bill Loe, Cathy Loe, Wilma Lunsford, Charlotte Mabery, Robert Matheny, James Mayberry, Pat Maxwell, Dudley McClarkin, Karla McCoy, Manher & Louise Mehta, Jim Miller, Jimmy Mitchell, Mark Otwell, Wanda Otwell, Sharon Pearson, Joe Peevy, Grisham Phillips, Francille Pryor, Brenda Rhodes, Chuck Rice, Diana Richard, Shirley Ridge, Doug Robinson, Earlene Russell, Bess Sanders, Milton & Margaret Scott, Carol Shepard, Roy Slaughter, Brenda Smith, Patsy Steele, Letha Styles, Fred & Edith Swaim, Randy Townsend, Roy Treadway, Sissy Treat, Ruth VanZandt, Doug Walker, Ron Wallace, Kathy White, Autumn Wilder, Angela Wilson, Billie Wilson, Bartha Wise, Syble Womack, and Mark Woodville.

Upcoming Events

TONIGHT: No LIFE groups tonight. We will all meet in the Worship Center.

MONDAY: Pickleball 6:30 p.m. in the outreach building for anyone 18 years of age and older.

January 2: Morning Bible Class 10:30-11:30 in classroom 19a. Due to the holiday, **this week only** the class is on Thursday.

January 5: LIFE groups resume

January 9: Alzheimer Support Group 11:00 a.m. in room 19a. **Melissa Baxley** is the facilitator.

January 12: Singing at Mt. Carmel 3:00-4:00. Please join this group if you love to sing. You do not have to be in the Praise & Worship class to attend this ministry.

January 13: Pickleball 6:30 p.m. in the Outreach Building for anyone 18 years of age and older.

January 14: Pickleball 5:30-7:30 for our teens

January 16: JOY group potluck luncheon 11:30. If you are 55 years of age and older, you are invited to attend.

January 19: Combined worship with Johnson Street Church of Christ.

The meal that will be prepared by **Janie Elliott** for the Hospice House on Friday will be fried pork chops, hash brown casserole, corn, English peas. She will prepare a blueberry cheesecake for dessert. Even though we have heard that this Hospice House inpatient unit will be shut down, it might take as long as Spring or Summer before that happens. We will continue the meals until further notice.

"We want to Thank all of the singers who came to our home to sing Christmas carols for us. Especially enjoyed the kids and their enthusiasm! A treat for us for sure! With Love for all, James & Janice Smith."

Sympathy is extended to **Phil Stinnett** on the death of a very special aunt, **Arlene Smith**, last week. She lived in Ridgecrest, CA. One thing that made her special was that she shared a birthday with Phil. Arlene had her 99th birthday in September.

Sympathy is also extended to **Ken Covington** and his family in the unexpected death of his niece, **Kayla Covington**, in Alabama.

Please make these changes in your church directory. **Bess Sanders** has moved to Pleasant Hill Residential Care Home, 1013 Candis, Benton, 72015. Bess is the mother of **Peggy Pate**. **Cindy Prescott's** parents, **Clovis & Frances Reid**, have moved to 316 Sandlewood Drive, Benton, 72015

These words of encouragement were received in our church email from a church member. It's a great way to start the new year!

Treat People Right

Be intentional with others, treat them as you want to be treated, take time to appreciate them, spend time with them, encourage them, support them and make them feel like they matter (because they do). Do this at home, at work, at school, at the grocery store, etc. Do this with people you know and with people you don't. Try your best every day to make someone else's day. 1 Thessalonians 5.11 *"Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing."*

10:00 AM Worship

Jimmy Mitchell..... *Worship Leader*
A New Anointing.....PH
Todd Hastings*Welcome & Family News*
Seek Ye First.....555
Higher Ground.....PH
Beautiful Things.....PH
Ron Wallace..... *Prayer*
How Deep The Father's Love.....PH
Jim Acree..... *Communion Devo & Offering*
Holy Spirit, Breathe On Me.....(offering song).....683
Who?.....(children's song).....PH
Standing On The Solid Rock.....PH
Steve Smith.....*Isaiah 43.16-19*
Jim Gardner....."Dawn of a Decade"
Higher Ground.....539
May The Presence Of The Lord.....PH
Todd Ferguson.....*Prayer*

Michael & Hayley Haltom..... *Infant Nursery*
Shelly Hampel & Nicole Cochran.....*Toddler Nursery*

5:00 PM Worship

All Church Worship in the Worship Center

Communion

Kelley Geurin

Infant & Toddler Nursery

Tammy Givens

The backpack program for Caldwell & Howard Perrin schools: We need individual Mac n Cheese, individual applesauce cups, pudding cups, fruit cups, pop tarts, peanut butter, peanut butter or cheese crackers, individual chip bags, juice boxes and Capri sun. Please put your items in the tubs just outside the children's worship room in the multipurpose area.

Pantry Needs:

Ramen Noodles, Canned Soup,
Canned Chili, Saltine Crackers,
Dish Washing Liquid, Laundry Detergent

Pray not because you need something but because you have a lot to thank God for!

An Elder and his wife will be in the Elder's Office after services to pray with anyone that needs payers.

Elder and his wife this week:

Tom & Martha Davis

