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### *Shepherd's Note*

Hasn't this year just flown by? Can you believe that in just a few days we will be thinking about making New Year's resolutions? Well, I was thinking that before we begin with the New Year's resolutions maybe we ought to look back at 2018. How did we do in 2018? I don't mean did we fulfill all our 2018 resolutions or improve our financial standings or better our lot in life but how about our spiritual life? Are we spiritually in a better relationship with the Father than we were at the end of 2017? Let's look back. Early in 2018 we looked at the book of Philippians and how joy was exemplified by Jesus, "Jesus let go" and became obedient. The question was asked, "what am I willing to give up to serve?" Well, what did we give up? How did we serve? We later began a series on Paul's letter to the Romans. From the first chapter we were told of Paul's passion, which was the gospel, the thing we can be certain about. The question to us was "what are we most passionate about?" Did we answer that in 2018? On Easter Sunday 2018 we were reminded of God's great love for us while we were sinners. The question for consideration was whether Jesus died because God was so mad at us. We were assured that Jesus died not because God was mad at us but because He loved us so much. In 2018 did we live with the assurance of that love? We prayed for 30 days for the marriages within the Northside Church of Christ praying that divorce would not affect any of them. We engaged in 4 days of lessons to improve our marriages, did we all avail ourselves of those lessons? If not, copies were purchased for check out. So, the final question, where are we spiritually? Are we closer to God in December 2018 than we were in 2017? I pray so. Dr. Jones said to the men on Sunday that "the goal of the church isn't to get to heaven but to be more like Jesus". May the end of 2018 see us more like Jesus.

**Prayer List:** **Kaylyn Barnes** is having some complications from her recent eye surgery. **Todd Donahue**, Wyveta Kirk's son, was recently diagnosed with nodules in his lungs and undergoing test to diagnose. **Barbara Joiner**, Keely Treadway's mother, is waiting for the results of her bone marrow test. **Harold Stuart** will have a PET scan on January 8. **Betty Stuckey**, Donna Haughee's mother, is in in-home rehab after falling. **Shelly Thompson** was diagnosed with a spinal tumor. She will see a neurosurgeon tomorrow to schedule surgery.

**Continue to remember:** Linda Acree, Linda Ball, Patrick & Blythe Bowers, Beth Burgess, Nelda Burrow, Amy Campbell, Joe Campbell, Charles Caradine, Jimmy Card, Freddy Charo, Cash Clancy, Peggy Cobb, Don Colson, Doug Connors, Nancy Davis, Phil Davis, Don & Patricia Flowers, Wade Garrett, Mark Gober, Helen Hairston, Shirley Harkreader, Jan Hastings, Alice Harris, Logan Harris, Seth Henry, Jason Hobbs, Richard Hooton, Glenn Kays, Rod Kirk, Mike Knappier, Reba Leonard, Bill Loe, Wilma Lunsford, Robert Matheny, Pat Maxwell, Bonnie Mayberry, James & Margaret Mayberry, Carole Mayes, Dudley McClerkin, Gene McVay, Manher & Louise Mehta, Darrell Messer, Nick Nichols, Jeremiah Nutter, George & Sharon Pearson, Wayne Perry, Jewell Powell, Kaylee Rawls, Mike Ransom, Walter Rhodes, Diana Richard, Dale Ridge, Bernadette Rockwell, Bess Sanders, Margaret Scott, Janice Smith, Patsy Steele, Letha Styles, Fred & Edith Swaim, Jeannette Underwood, Richard Wallace, Brandon Webb, M. D. Williams, Doug Willis, Angela Wilson, Billie Wilson, Syble Womack, Mark & Mary Woodville and Sabrina Wright.

**Upcoming Events**

**TONIGHT:** We will all meet together in the worship center. LIFE groups will NOT meet.

**January 2:** Regular Bible classes will resume

**January 12:** Beginners class for Pickleball. See Ken or Rhonda Covington for more information.

**January 13:** Baby Shower honoring Joe & Rosemary Gatliff at 2:00 in the outreach building. They are expecting a boy and are registered through this link: [www.babylist.com/rosemary-gatliff](http://www.babylist.com/rosemary-gatliff).

**January 20:** Baby Shower honoring Greg & Jenna Pryor. They are expecting a girl.

**February 2:** Sportsman's Night Out Fundraiser to benefit Corin Read Christian Camp. More info later.

**February 6:** GriefShare class will begin 6:30-8:00

**February 22-23:** Annual WINGS (Women in God's Service) Conference. The topic will be "And They Will Know". More information will be posted later. However, you can go online now and register.

Please make this change in your church directory. John and Ruthie Burgess no longer have a land line. John's cell is 501-650-2599. Ruthie's cell is 501-772-8000.

The ladies at Northside have received an invitation to attend a retreat with the Iron Rose Sister Ministries on November 1-3, 2019 in Conway. For more information please see the postcard posted on the bulletin board next to the kitchen in the multipurpose area.

If you haven't turned in your birth date and anniversary date, please write it on the back of your attendance card and send the office an email. We want to provide a list each month with birthdays and anniversaries for those who like to send cards or wishes. If you do not want your special day included on the list, please note that on the back of your card.

"Thanks Church Family, I'm so thankful to all of you who have been so kind and good to me during my sickness and surgery. The food, the visits and cards, and most of all, your prayers have meant so much! Please continue to pray for me that I will become stronger in my faith. I love you all, In Christian Love, Nancy Davis".

**For the men of the congregation:** If you would like to be on the list of men to serve the communion, read scripture, do the communion devo, serve as an usher, or say a prayer please put your name on the back of your attendance card and we will make sure you are included in the rotation. Please state the areas of service you would like to be in. If you have any questions please see Terry Hastings.

We need Children's Worship servants to volunteer. Check the schedule on the door next to the Children's Worship door or reply to the email you recently received. Teens are welcome to participate, but they must have an adult serving with them.

**Northside 2019 Bible Camp at Corin Read Christian Camp:** Please take note of the following dates as they are different than they have been for the past several years. June 8th-12th for those going into 4th-12 grades. Beginner Camp is June 14th-15th and is for those going into the 1st-3rd grades. If you have any questions, contact Charlie Manning Conner Smith, Todd Ferguson, or Stephanie Howell.

**10:00 AM Worship**

Jeremy Clay.....	Worship Leader
Sing Praises.....	97
Todd Hastings .....	Welcome & Family News
I Love You Lord.....	779
You Are My All In All.....	484
We Bow Down .....	577
Ricky LaSage.....	Prayer
Hallelujah What A Savior.....	337
Conner Smith.....	Communion Devo & Offering
The Lily of the Valley.....(offering song).....	548
Jesus Loves Me.....(children's song).....	PH
The Greatest Command.....	448
Brent Jones.....	Colossians 3:1-3
Houston Colson.....	"Your Identity"
Kneel at the Cross.....	945
Freely Freely.....	635
Terry Hastings.....	Prayer

Shelly & Natalie Hampel..... Infant Nursery  
Michael & Hayley Haltom..... Toddler Nursery

**5:00 PM**

**All LIFE Groups will meet in the worship center**

**Communion**

*Kelley Geurin*

**Infant & Toddler Nursery**

*Martha Davis*

**The backpack program for Caldwell, Howard Perrin schools & ALC Program** 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:**

Green Beans, Corn,  
Spaghetti, Spaghetti Sauce,  
Macaroni & Cheese, Jelly,  
Dishwashing Liquid, Toilet Tissue

**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**

