

Important Winterfest Meeting
 TODAY after the AM service, there will be a brief (15 minutes) meeting for all of those going to Winterfest.

We wish a very Happy Birthday to those that have a birthday in January! Everyone is welcome to enjoy cupcakes in the lobby.



Movie Night
 Friday, Jan. 12th @ 7PM
 Movie is: **Collateral Beauty**
 Meet at El Paso @ 5:30PM for dinner



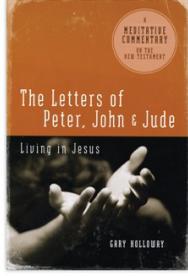
 **Sunday Mornings at 9:30AM**
 Annex Classroom

Volunteers are needed to prepare our coffee and snacks on Sunday morning. This is a great way to set a warm, inviting atmosphere to members and guests. Please sign up on the bulletin board or contact Debra Williams.



 **Connection Groups** begin today! We begin with 1 Peter. The basic question is "How do we live holy lives in a hostile culture?" Today's discussion will include the sanctifying work of the Spirit. I have usually keyed in on "sanctifying". We get that...separated, set apart. Perhaps, we should contemplate "work" of the Spirit. What should I be doing to allow the Spirit to work in me? If you haven't signed up, then just show up! This is a congregation-building activity and we would like to have as many involved as possible. Check with your group leader for times and locations.

Sign up for the 2018 Connection Groups today! Please complete one of the forms on the small table in the foyer and place it in the basket. If you would like to order a book, please indicate so on the form. The book is "The Letters of Peter, John and Jude; Living in Jesus" by Gary Hollo-way. This book is in the Meditative Commentary series similar to the Luke book we used last year. The cost is \$10 per book.



Kingdom Seekers' Winter Party (Birth-6th Graders & Families)
Sunday, January 14th 12:30—2:30PM
Fellowship Hall
 Lunch Provided
 Bring the whole family!
 Sign up by the water fountain


No matter who you are, where you've been, or what you've done,
welcome TO TODAY'S praise & worship ASSEMBLY
where imperfect people serve the perfect God
January 7, 2018
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Journeying into God's heart

Being a Blessing, Sharing a Blessing

Imagine being a six year old and going with your grandmother to the jail for a fifteen minute video visit with your mother. You know that you won't be seeing her again until your next fifteen minute visit. No tucking you in at bedtime.

Imagine being the grandmother and hurting for your daughter and your grandchildren. You wish so much that your daughter had made better choices in her life.

Imagine being a young mother all alone without an income because your husband is now in jail. Where do you turn for help?

When we sit across the table sharing a hotdog with visitors during Hotdog and a Hug, we hear stories like these, and we meet people in these situations. Most are very welcome of our prayers and thankful for a listening ear.

During our visits, we have information packets listing available community resources to share as needed. We also have Bibles and stuffed animals to give to the children.

Currently, we have about 8 volunteers who regularly participate in the Hotdog and Hug Ministry and a couple of others who occasionally help. It takes 5 people each time to successfully run the event. There have been a couple of months that we have had to make it with 4 volunteers, because of work schedules and other family obligations. We could use several more volunteers even if you can only help a few months out of the year.

You can also help by occasionally donating single-serving sized bags of chips, individually wrapped cookies or snack cakes and canned drinks.

The only requirements are a compassionate heart, a smile, a listening ear, and a few hours the first Saturday of the month. It is an opportunity to be blessed and to share blessings with others.

Talk to Karen McGee if you can help.

Blessed to Be a Blessing

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--Evan McGee

Hotdog and Hug donations:
canned drinks & snack cakes

*Please be
Praying for...*

Our sick and hurting

Debbie Davis Tina Davidson
Ron Farley Suzanne Gore
Pete & Vel Hunter Evans Learned
McCraw Family Mike Rhodes
John Tyler Whitted Family

Family & friends to remember

Nancy Adkins, Hugh Price's sister
Ashley Baillairge, Susan F.'s granddaughter
Marie Bain's mother, in rehab
Robin Burnet, Nancy Farley's sister, blood clots
Bob Godley, Tim's brother, heart issues
Gary Henry, Darlene's brother
Bill Hickerson, Sherri Lafever's dad, health
Susan Jarvis, (nephew's wife), breast cancer
Gary Keevert, Jim's brother
Larry Morgan, friend of Morrows, cancer
Shelbi Pendergast, Elias & Iya-lea Bain's mom
Will Sink, Paula's son, recovery from accident
Bryan Smith, friend of Bice family, needs lung transplant
Hartley Faye Smith, 3wk old cousin of Sherri L., heart issues
Rex Stephens, Bolin's son-in-law
Steve & Diana Teel and Honduras situation
Blake Thomas, Jessica Bain's brother
Betty Walden, Jim Lyda's mom
Esperanza's mother, broken arm

*Please write requests and updates
on the back of your attendance card.*

Pray for and Visit our shut-ins

Tina Davidson
Linda Dill
Reba Haynes
Mary Francis Lykins
Brenda Senn
Helen Swayngim



Calendar of Events

- 1/7 Winterfest meeting after AM service (15 minutes)
- 1/7 Connection Groups begin
- 1/12 Movie Night @ 7:30PM, 'Collateral Beauty', Dinner at El Paso @ 5:30
- 1/14 Kingdom Seekers' Winter Party 12:30-2:30PM in Annex
- 1/14 Connection Groups
- 1/18 Ladies Class @ 10AM
- 1/21 Connection Groups

Please donate your coupons for the troops.
The donation box is in the Foyer.

There is a container outside of the Annex kitchen for aluminum can donations. To donate large metal items, contact Ron Farley.

 Nick Menyhard was baptized on Saturday, December 30th. We rejoice with our new brother in Christ!

**Pray for our
Mission Efforts
Domestic**

Jerry Senn (Burnsville, NC)
Palmetto Bible Camp
Southeastern Children's
Home (SC)

Foreign

Eastern European Missions
Mission Lazarus (Honduras)
Nekemte (Ethiopia)
Samrit Kammanee (Thailand)
Steve & Dianna Teel (Baxter Institute)



An attended nursery is available for ages 0-2yrs. Busy Bags are in the lobby for all ages.

TONIGHT
Connection Groups at the building at 5:30PM and at various times in homes.

WEDNESDAY
HVL Café 6-6:30PM
Menu is:
Taco Salad

Make reservations by filling in the space on the attendance card or contact the office before noon on Monday. Donation of \$5 per adult is accepted, kids eat free.

Classes @ 6:50PM

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES:

-SUNDAY-
9:30 am—Bible Class
10:30 am—Morning Worship
5:30 pm— Evening Worship

-WEDNESDAY-
6:00 pm— HVL Café (everyone welcome)
6:50 pm— Bible Class

OFFICE HOURS: Monday—Friday, 9AM—3PM
SECRETARIES Karen McGee and Kylie Cochran

MINISTER Dr. Ethan Brown —1-806-789-3606

ELDERS

Duncan Blake—828-242-8326
Lloyd Cain—891-4459
Fred Gore—828-606-8752
Bill McKelvey—891-4787
Hugh Price—698-3841
Sam Williams—1-828-748-3263

Morning Worship

Welcome Members and Visitors! Everyone, please fill out Attendance Cards and place them in the collection tray.

Song Leader ■ Fred Gore
Unto the Hills—137

Medley: Footsteps of Jesus—416
Anywhere with Jesus—414
If Jesus Goes with Me—405

Opening Prayer ■ Jim Keevert

I Am a Poor Wayfaring Stranger—979
Lead Me to Calvary—332

Communion
Serve: *Bob Huff, AJ Shaffer, Bill Frye,
Bill McKelvey, Brian Tribby, Dale Calmes

Medley: Here We Are But Straying Pilgrims—537
My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less—538
Step by Step—15

Footsteps of Jesus (chorus) - 416

Songs for the Journey ■ Ethan Brown

Higher Ground—539

Announcements & Prayer ■ Sam Williams

Worship Coordinator: Bill Fitzpatrick
Ushers: Eric Adkinson, Zack Adkinson
Nursery: Kylie & Abigail Cochran
Sound Room: Evan McGee/Ron Farley

Recent Weeks' Statistics

Attendance	Dec. 17	Dec. 24	Dec. 31
Sunday AM	139	160	143
Sunday PM	43	61	N/A
Contribution	\$10,169	\$4,087	\$7,212
Budget			\$4,967
YTD Budget			\$258,250
YTD Contribution			\$264,583
YTD Weekly Average			\$5,088