



WINN'S CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH  
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Church Newsletter January/February 2018

#### Pastor's Corner

There are passages in scripture that most of us know. For example, you're probably familiar with Proverbs 3:5-6, in which Solomon says,

***5** Trust in the LORD with all your heart; do not depend on your own understanding. **6** Seek his will in all you do, and he will show you which path to take. (Prov 3:5-6 NLT)*

A lot of us memorized this passage as a child. Perhaps at Sunday School, or VBS.

However, whenever there is a well know passage in a scripture text, it's easy to forget about the passages surrounding it.

In this case, look at Proverbs 3:7, here Solomon says,

***7** Don't be impressed with your own wisdom. Instead, fear the LORD and turn away from evil. Prov 3:5-7 (NLT)*

So many times in life...just when we think we've got it all figured out – that's the precise moment we fall flat on our face. Our own wisdom too often lets us down!

For example, during this time - during the beginning of a new year, people often look back upon the past year, and they think about changes they would like to make.

Even spiritually, we often do this. We say, "I'm going to read my Bible more." Or, "I'm going to pray more", or "I'm going to invite more people to church."

We make resolutions just like the world makes resolutions. And we think if we can just plan and figure it out, we can follow through.

But the problem is what? It's tricky, because some things do take time and effort. Bible Study takes time and effort. Prayer takes time and effort. Loving people, and witnessing to them, it takes time and effort. That's part of it.

BUT, there's more to it. Unless God truly changes our hearts, trying to change on our own just isn't going to last.

C.S. Lewis, in Mere Christianity, he put it this way, he said,

*"Thus, in one sense, the road back to God is a road of moral effort, of trying harder and harder. But in another sense it is not trying that is ever going to bring us home. All this trying leads up to the vital moment at which we turn to God and say, 'You must do this. I can't.'"*

Maybe there's something in your life you know you need to change. You haven't been able to change. Why not start at the beginning...ask God to change your heart. Say, "God, I know what you want me to do. Give me the strength to do it. I can't make this change without You." -Pastor Jim.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## BLOODMOBILE



Our next American Red Cross Bloodmobile will be Saturday, January 6<sup>th</sup> from 10AM-2PM, please make plans to come out and give!

## SUNDAY EVENING STUDY



We will be starting a new Sunday Evening Bible study on the book of Genesis. This study takes place on Sunday nights in the Sonshine classroom at 6PM. We hope to see you there!

## WEDNESDAY EVENING



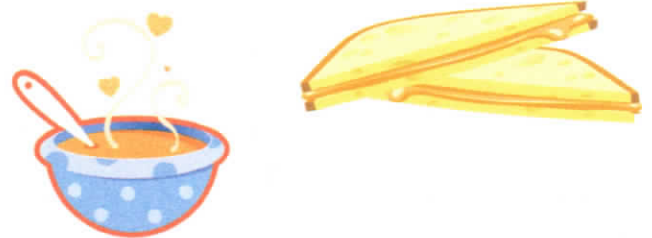
Winn's Creek will begin a new Wednesday Evening study based on Max Lucado's *THE STORY*. *THE STORY* is based on selection sfrom the NIV Bible rearranged into chronological order. These studies will take place in the church fellowship hall at 7PM.



Our next Quarterly Business Meeting at Winn's Creek Baptist Church will take place on Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup>, at 6PM. Please make plans to attend!



THERE WILL BE NO THIRD SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP MEAL IN JANUARY



## FEBRUARY FELLOWSHIP MEAL

Our February fellowship meal will take place on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday, February 18<sup>th</sup>. People are asked to bring Soups and Sandwiches for this meal. Stay and eat with us!



## Congratulations!

We would like to congratulate Mr. & Mrs. Jimmy & Carolyn Landrum. They were married on December 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017.



JANUARY 2018

BIRTHDAYS / ANNIVERSARIES



4th Mike & Pat Spencer - A

7th Garnett Hall - B  
Maverick Clayton -B

9th Adam Layman - B

10th Zachery Epps - B  
Alice Clayton - B

13th Robert Conrad - B

15th Tyler Hudson - B

24th Kitty Holt - B

25th Joanie Layman - B

26th Cindy Cole - B

27th Kasey Martin - B  
Joshua Martin - B

30th Shirley Epps - B

31st Danny Owen - B



**KARSYN HOLLIS HENDERSON**  
Karsyn was born on November 6, 2017.  
She was 6 pounds 15 ounces  
and 20 inches long at birth.



FEBRUARY 2018

BIRTHDAYS / ANNIVERSARIES

1st Wayne Holt - B

4th Bruce Barksdale - B

5th Jason Claiborne - B

6th Dorothy Kinder - B

7th Stephanie Elliott - B

8th John Ambrose Sr. - B

9th Ann Jones - B

10th Gladys Dodson - B

11th Carol Ann Fears - B

13th Kathy Ambrose - B

14th Brittany Perkins - B

15th Mary Margaret Francisco - B

16th Amelia Clements - B

17th Dalyn Hudson - B

18th Phil & Wanda Saunders - A

25th Maranda Gunn - B

26th Curtis Grove - B

28th Linda Conner - B

Winn's Creek Baptist Church NEWS

# January/February

## CHURCH CALENDAR

Sundays (unless otherwise announced)

9:45AM	Sunday School
11:00AM	Worship
6:00PM	Adult Bible Study
7:00PM	Adult Choir

Wednesdays (unless otherwise announced)

7:00PM	<i>THE STORY</i> Bible Study
8:00PM	Adult Choir

- **Bloodmobile JANUARY 6<sup>TH</sup>, 2018. From 10AM – 2PM.**
- **New Wed. Evening Bible Study begins Wed., January 10<sup>th</sup> at 7PM.**
- **New Sun. Evening Bible Study begins Sun., January 14<sup>th</sup> at 6PM.**
- **Business Meeting, Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup> at 6PM.**
- **Deacons'/Wives' Meeting, Monday, February 5<sup>th</sup> at 7PM.**
- **Third Sunday Fellowship Meal in February, Sun., February 18<sup>th</sup> after worship.**

*\*\*If you have not picked up your offering envelopes for 2018, please do so soon!  
The offering envelopes are in the sanctuary on the front pew near the piano.*

*Thanks! \*\**