

Those to Serve

January 13

January 20

Morning Worship

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Opening Prayer **David Smith**
Song Leader **Greg Fabian**

Opening Prayer **Von Knight**
Song Leader **Gary Adams**

Communion

Communion

Presiding: **Brian Pack**
Eugene Priestley **Von Knight**
Paul Dillon **Kevin Ford**
Bill Westmoreland **Kyle Huckabee**

Presiding: **Chris Lindelof**
Jeremy Brown **Gheath Alatrash**
Lynn Adams **Pete Griffith**
Dwight Ramsey **Ross Genaro**

Closing Prayer **Derek Mauney**

Closing Prayer **Claude Anderson**

Nursery

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Laura Odom **Judy Dillon**

Amanda Parsons **Michelle Griffith**

Evening Worship

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Opening Prayer **Kevin Odom**
Song Leader **Bobby Parker**
Communion **C. Huckabee & P. Godwin**
Closing Prayer **Jeremy Brown**
Nursery **Amanda Parsons**

Opening Prayer **Paul Hamilton**
Song Leader **Mike Turner**
Communion **K. Odom & C. Huckabee**
Closing Prayer **Eddie Ray**
Nursery **Debbie Brown**

Both Services

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Ushers (*indicates head usher)

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* **Chuck Huckabee, Phil Godwin, Dal Randle, Loyd Wilson, Josh Hamilton**

* **Kevin Odom, Charles Huckabee, Eugene Priestley, Kevin Ford, Anthony Sandoval**

Announcements **Ryan Parsons**

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Video Camera **John Adams**

Video Camera **Josh Hamilton**

Welcomers

Welcomers

Claude & Leona Anderson

David & Brenda Blair

Lynn & Lucille Adams

Neil & Fran Barnhill

Building Lock Up **Bill Russell**

Building Lock Up **Clifford Layton**

Wednesday 1/9

Wednesday 1/16

Song Leader **Wednesday**
Opening Prayer **Night**
Closing Prayer **With The**
Devotional **Master**

Song Leader **Dwight Ramsey**
Opening Prayer **David Smith**
Closing Prayer **Tex Greene**
Devotional **Greg Fabian**

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Worship Times:

Sunday

Bible Study9 am
Morning Worship.....10 am
Evening Worship.....6 pm

Wednesday

Ladies Bible Class.....7 pm
Wednesday Bible Study...7 pm

ELDERS

Gary Adams 281-485-2436
Greg Fabian 281-485-2436
Von Knight 281-485-2436
Clifford Layton 281-485-2436

DEACONS

David Blair – Building & Grounds
Chuck Huckabee – Finances
Chris Lindelof—Benevolence
Kevin Odom – I.T.
Eddie Ray – Education & Missions
Mike Turner—Worship Services

MINISTERS

D.C. Brown Pulpit Minister
Ryan Parsons Youth & Family Minister
Paul Tiohanon Evangelist
Save, Benin West Africa

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A NOTE OF THANKS

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Let me start off the new year with a few thank you notes.

Thank you for all the encouragement and kind words so many of you have expressed over the past year in reference to a sermon message or class. Last Sunday morning was particularly rewarding in

that regard. Even yesterday I was still getting requests for copies. Speaking for all preachers, our job is not about “tickling ears.” One ominous indicator that a preacher has lost sight of his mission is when his sermon preparation is driven more by a desire to “give them what they want to hear” than it is to give them what is needed. However, since the dawn of the church, faithful brethren have always appreciated and delighted in the pure milk of truth (1 Peter 2:2). I have never lost sight of the object of gospel preaching and I do not believe for a second that the encouragement I receive so often is meant as flattery or a means to manipulate my message. I believe it to be nothing less than the expressions of satisfaction and Christian love by those who sincerely desire to know and do God’s will. As Debbie and I rapidly complete our tenth year of labor, I want to say how much we appreciate your support in all the ways that you express it.

I would like to thank the elders for the kindness of the \$250.00 bonus check that they authorized last month. It didn’t gather any moss! It was a nice expression of kindness and love and we both appreciated it very much.

I would also like to thank the elders and the deacons for the work they did in the past year. With the eldership’s commitment and Ryan and Eddie’s creative skills, we sent out over 4000 interactive CDs last year. With the eldership’s commitment and Kevin Odom’s hard work we sent out four to eight people every month who made between 100 and 200 personal visits to

people in our community. We sent out more than 1800 cards to people as a way to encourage them and about 2300 Bible courses were mailed out last year. Billie Dykes says we can expect to send out about 5000 courses in 2008. With the help of cooking teams, we had a rotation of kitchen workers each month who prepared meals for the workers before they got down to the tasks they volunteered to do.



I want to thank the teachers who worked in the trenches this past year. As always the challenges were not in the class room but in the hours of preparation for the class and in being flexible and willing to step in when needed. My wife has been teaching Bible classes every Sunday and every Wednesday for thirty years with very few breaks. I’ll admit that occasionally I feel a little neglected when she is at home but entrenched in her home office for hours at a time doing preparation for her Bible class or for the curriculum for other teachers. She has literally logged hundreds of hours each year in this effort, and if her efforts are reflective of those of all of our teachers, we’ve surely got the best educated students anywhere! The time spent preparing is only part of the challenge. Our teachers have also had to transition from the focus of one education director to another. Troy did a great job and we sure miss not having him and Mandy and their kids here (I hope Albuquerque was worth it), but Eddie has taken over and has proven equal to the task.

I want to thank all of the ladies who get last minute phone calls and immediately go to their kitchens and start cooking up a culinary delight to serve the needs of families who have lost a loved one. You know who you are, and I confess that I don’t, but you always come through. It isn’t a work that can be scheduled and planned in advance. It isn’t work that offers any kind of reimbursement for time or funds, yet you do it and do it well every time you are called upon. You have worked out your own system for organizing, communicating, collecting and seeing it through.

YOUTH EVENTS

JR. & SR. HIGH



Jr. & Sr. High will have devos on January 13th and 20th.

Camp Hensel applications are in, see Ryan for info and applications.

J.A.M. 3RD THRU 6TH

J.A.M. will be Saturday, January 12th from Noon—2PM.

Bible Class 2 Yr Old—6th Grade

This week your Sunday morning lesson will be Dreams of the Cup-bearer & Baker Gen. 40. Wednesday evening will be Pharaoh's Dreams Gen. 41: 1-36



A NOTE OF THANKS

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I want to thank all of those who serve in some capacity during our worship services. We attend functions throughout the year, be it a sports event, a concert, a play, or just going to a nice restaurant and we expect that certain things will happen in a well organized and smooth way. Worshipping the Lord as a family should in no way be less organized, nor should it be a hastily cobble together affair as though it were less important than other functions we involve ourselves in. Those who volunteer to work upstairs, in the camera well, or assist in any aspect of our worship aid us all in worshipping in spirit and in truth.

I want to thank Laurie Huckabee for all that she does to make things work in the office. In ways that don't even make sense to me, the office is a communication hub (I can't tell you how many times we get phone calls each week from folks who just want the phone number of

someone else). Organization is not one of my talents, but it is one of hers and she is usually involved in some way in just about everything that gets done. Is it your turn to do communion preparation? Everything you need is on hand, she makes sure of it. Who is using the Annex? Where is a spare key? How do I get a copy of... these are all question that have her name somewhere in the answer.

I want to thank the Lord for another good and busy year and for the grace to let us be His servants for the people of Pearland and around the world in the 2008. We've got a lot to do just to do as much as we did last year. Keep working, keep studying and thank you for all that you do!

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ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Greg Fabian** is the contact elder for January. If you would like to schedule a meeting with the elders, please see Greg.
- **Elders Deacons & Ministers Meeting** will be Saturday, January 12th, at 8:00 AM at Kelley's Restaurant.
- **Ladies Prayer Breakfast** will be Saturday, January 12th, at 8:00 AM at Kelley's Restaurant.
- **Meals On Wheels** will be the week of January 14 through 18. If you can help in this area, please contact Leah Bateman.

- Volunteers are needed for hosting Jr & Sr High devos. Sign up sheet on Youth bulletin board in foyer.

It's reorganization time for Secret Sisters!!

On Monday, January 14th, we will meet in the Annex at 7:00 PM. We invite **ALL** the ladies of the congregation to become involved in Secret Sisters. If you would like more information regarding Secret Sisters, please contact Jean Adams or Janice Pearson.

KEPT IN PRAYER

Leah Gartrell underwent successful adenoid surgery on Tuesday.

Cooper Gartrell will have his last treatment of this session on Friday. Please continue to keep John & Lacey in your prayers as well.

Nina Layton who is still battling her infection. She will continue having her treatments for another week.

Nelda Dyes, a sister of Clifford Layton, as she continues to struggle with her health.

In Continuing Need: Our Members: LaRue Case, Dorothy Kirkland, Ed & Wilma Koob, Janice Lemoine, Claudia Martin, Dwight & Andra Ramsey, Elaine Rawlings. **Shut-In:** Varnell Allison, Katie Barnes, Leonard Dunford, Louise Farmer, Frances Humphries, Rebecca Morgan-

thaler. **Others:** Timothy Anderson, Delta Burner, Hazel & Doyal Childress, Margaret Clayton, Michael Dykes, Glenda Martin Garner, Ainsley Garza, Mike Green, Bob & Dee Grigg, Fred & Florence Henshaw, Steve Herbert, William Kay, Margaret McKinney, Larry Wayne Martin, Shawna Martin, Pat Miller, Lauren Murphy, Sue Pinch, Clairette Pool, Katy Ramsey, Norma Ray, Betty Rosenberg, Bing Scherzer, Lance Smith, Lavenda Spencer, Brett Statham, Kelly Stein, Kay Taliaferro, Victor Trevino, Alan Walker, Adam Wilson, Elaine Wilson.

January Birthdays

7	Ryan Parsons	12	Leona Anderson
14	Valerie McHargh	15	Deborah Roberson
18	Sheri Ford	20	Bobby Parker
21	Kevin Odom	21	Donald Mickan
25	Ethan Brown	30	Lindsay Parker

February Birthdays

7	Leah Bateman	12	Gary Adams
12	Avery Turner	14	Louise Farmer
15	Ruby Jo Knight	16	Andra Ramsey
21	Candice Dobson	23	Jacob Genaro
27	Gretchen Whitmire		

February Anniversaries

9	John & Joy Sloan	20	Pete & Michelle Griffith
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Address correction for directory

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