

Those to Serve

January 6		January 13	
Morning Worship		Morning Worship	
Opening Prayer	Daniel White	Opening Prayer	Ike Atkins
Song Leader	Paul Cartwright	Song Leader	Paul Cartwright
Communion		Communion	
Presiding: Chris Lindelof		Presiding: Chris Peters	
Kent Wroe	Tom Langford	Daniel White	Nathan Scarsdale
Tim Nations	Charlie Story	Matthew Fabian	Ben Lenamon
Daniel Brown	Gheath Alatrash	Jeremy Brown	David Blair
Closing Prayer	Ike Atkins	Closing Prayer	Kevin Scarsdale
Nursery		Nursery	
Molly Godwin	Nina Layton	Nina Layton	Tracey Mauney
Evening Worship		Evening Worship	
Opening Prayer	FRIENDS & FAMILY DAY	Opening Prayer	Rick Nudelman
Song Leader	NO PRAYER MINISTRY OR EVENING SERVICE	Song Leader	Paul Cartwright
Communion		Communion	N Scarsdale, Matthew Fabian
Closing Prayer		Closing Prayer	Daniel White
Nursery		Nursery	Maresha Scarsdale
Both Services		Both Services	
Ushers (*indicates head usher)		Ushers (*indicates head usher)	
*Charlie Layton, Logan Lindelof, Eugene Priestley		*Bobby Parker, Daniel Brown, Clifford Layton	
Announcements	Greg Fabian	Announcements	Greg Fabian
Greeters Clifford & Nina Layton		Greeters Chris & Ginny Lindelof	
Building Lock Up	Lindelof	Building Lock Up	Nudelman
Sound & Projector	Williams	Sound & Projector	Williams
January 2		January 9	
Building Lock Up	Adams	Building Lock Up	Lindelof

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Worship Times:

Sunday

Bible Study9 am

Morning Worship.....10 am

Evening Worship.....6 pm

Wednesday Bible Study.....7 pm

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DEACONS

David Blair
Demetris Kelly
Rick Nudelman
Bobby Parker
Chris Peters
Charlie Story
Bob Williams

MINISTERS

D.C. Brown Pulpit Minister
Paul Cartwright Youth & Family Minister

MISSIONARIES

Benin, West Africa:
Paul Tohionon - Bohicon
Pascal Djedatin - Dassa, Soklogbo, Paouignan
Jonas Sambieni - BTC and Glazoue
Gaston Nda & Raul Baya- Natitingou
Boniface Yentekoua - Kaboua
Dorothee Tchekpo—Savé, Boubou Pompe
Andre Assogba - Savé, Besse, Atchakpa
Blaise Atta - Beterou, Sinaou, Wari Maro
Elie Kouagou - N'Dali
Joachin Tonou - Abomey
Gabin Agbeci - Savalou
Bienvenu Assogba - BTC student from Savé

Portsmouth, Dominica, West Indies
Lewis Romain

Prison Ministry Gene Rowe

JANUARY 2, 2013

The Pearland Harvester

EQUIPPING THE SAINTS FOR THE WORK OF SERVICE, BUILDING UP THE BODY OF CHRIST

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2 Timothy 2:19

A new year has begun, and it is only natural that we want to look ahead and try to be ready. Yet the moment we attempt to do that, we become inundated with fears and doubts. The rising cost of groceries and fuel and all of the unknowns about health care are legitimate concerns that would rob us of any hope for a good year ahead. The question of how we pay for all the national debt that is being accrued daily is another worry. Threats by the regimes of rogue nations or terrorist groups leave everyone uneasy. A lack of stability in the job market, the declining value of the dollar, and the decreasing value of our homes create their own anxieties.

How do we face our uncertain times? Should we assume the worst and hope for the best? Should we just ignore the problems as we purpose to live by faith? Does the Bible have any instruction for the believer living in times like these?

"Nevertheless, the firm foundation of God stands, ..." (2 Timothy 2:19a). Those seven words are among the most comforting and peace-giving words to be found in Scripture.

In context, two conjoined problems (empty chatter that leads to ungodliness and spreads like gangrene and false religious teaching) that create so much doubt are themselves destroyed by the firm foundation of God that stands. What is that firm foundation? It is His word!

Some of our biggest fears and worries come from entertaining the speculations of men. In retrospect, we know that things are almost never as bad as they seemed. Much of the worry and dread that can be so paralyzing were created and expanded upon by talk. Looking back, that is easy

to see; but when we begin looking to the future, it isn't easy to remember that bit of wisdom. It is then that we need to remember that the firm foundation of God stands. His words are not empty, and His message is not worded for its shock value. God's word has our salvation as its purpose. He "...desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth" (1 Tim. 2:4). While there are many uncertainties, two things are certain: the firm foundation of God stands and...

"...The Lord knows those who are His" (2 Timothy 2:19b). He has promised to take care of us. When it's "all boiled down to gravy," the things that cause us to be anxious are the same things that caused anxiety in the first century. Jesus gave us great assurance in the Sermon on the Mount (Mt. 6:25-34). If God, the Creator of sparrows and lilies, cares for and provides for them, He will do much more for you (Mt. 6:30). What we are not to do is worry and be anxious as though all things depend upon us. What we are to do is pray with confidence to our heavenly Father (Mt. 7:7-11). Beyond that we need to also remember...

"...Everyone who names the name of the Lord is to abstain from wickedness" (2 Tim. 2:19c). Sin is the greatest source of anxiety and worry. We cannot exert much influence over the rising of cost of living, the increases in our national debt, nor the radical thinking and evil plotting of despots and terrorists wherever they may be. But we can keep ourselves unstained by the world (James 1:27).

As we begin a new year, we can begin it with justifiable and reasonable confidence if we embrace the truths of 2 Timothy 2:19 each day.



Keep studying! ✉ DC Brown ©2013

YOUTH EVENTS JR. & SR. HIGH



The teens are invited to go to CiCi's Pizza this Saturday, January 5, 2013, to spend time with Tyler White before he heads back to Freed-Hardeman University for the spring semester. The van will leave at 6 PM from the Annex for anyone needing a ride.

Following morning services on Sunday, January 13, Paul would like to meet with the parents and teens to discuss spring activities.

2013 Sign-up Sheets for Sound & Projector and Communion Preparation are on the bulletin board.

January 6, 2013

Invite someone to be your guest and to stay for a great meal!



KEPT IN PRAYER

Dorothy Cherry will be undergoing tests on January 7.

Rick Nudelman will be having tests.

Bill and **Bonita Crabtree**, friends of Wanda Kirby, are at Jesse Jones Rotary Houston, No. 629. Bill has been diagnosed with cancer in several locations. An MRI and brain scan are scheduled for Saturday.

Darlene Woods is having reactions to the chemotherapy.

In Continuing Need:

Our Members: Tracy & Martha Cain, Evelyn Cordell, Daisy Dees, Billie Dykes, June Evans, Dorendia Hamilton, Charlyne Harper, Minnie Harris, Noah & Murrell Hill, Kaliya Kelly, Dorothy Kirkland, Von Knight, Clifford Layton, Claudia Martin, Alice Moore, Harold Moore, Betty Pridgen, Brenda Riggs, Doris Stuteville. **Shut-In:** Libby Clayton **Others:** Tom Althaus, Timothy Anderson, Mike Carter, Bill & Bonita Crabtree, Marjorie Garrison, Jim Godwin, Frances Grams, Dee Grigg, Willadean Hecker, Leslie Hunt, Matthew Indest, Janice Jackson, Wanita Jones, Bartis Knight, Wilma Koob, Kerry Lemoine, Roy Leasman, James Lewis, Landon Lovett, Lyle Martin, Pat Miller, Lauren Murphy, Charlie Pruitt, Cloey Pruitt, Dixie Dee Scriber, Rick Stone, Dorothy Watters, Lavonne Welch, Scott Westmoreland, Darlene Woods.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Greg Fabian is the contact elder for January. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please see **Greg**.

Building in Bohicon

Let's not forget the work in Bohicon, Benin. Paul Tohionon in Bohicon and Joachin Tonou in Abomey are working in that region of Benin most heavily influenced by idolatry. God continues to open doors for them and the church is strong in its faith. They are meeting in rented quarters in an almost inaccessible part of Bohicon. Their desire is to have a location of their own in which to meet in the center of town. We are raising funds for that effort and so are they. Please help if you can and feel free to speak with DC or Bob Williams if you have any questions.

JANUARY 2013 EVENTS

- 6 Friends & Family Day
- 7 Secret Sisters - 6:30 PM at Spring Creek Barbeque. This will be the kickoff meeting for 2013.
- 12 Ladies Prayer Breakfast - 8 AM at Kelley's
- 12 Elders, Deacons, Ministers Meeting - 9 AM at the building
- 14 Golden Agers Luncheon - 11:30 AM at the Annex

January Birthdays

- 3 Felicia Wroe
- 4 Branden Shelton
- 12 Leona Anderson
- 16 Adam Nations
- 17 Tom Langford
- 21 Donald Mickan
- 25 Ethan Brown
- 30 Lindsay Parker

January Anniversaries

- 4 Wanda Kirby
- 8 Jeanette Hays
- 14 Valerie McHargh
- 16 Teresa Wroe
- 20 Bobby Parker
- 22 Cameron Alatrash
- 28 Caleb Nations
- 17 David & Libby Clayton

*We will not intentionally omit anyone from the birthday/anniversary list. If you have not turned in the **Members Information Update Sheets** to the office, please do so.*