

# Pleasant Hill Baptist Church Communicator

January 2021

Courage for the Days Ahead-Devotional from Senior Living Ministries

"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Don't be terrified; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go."

Joshua 1:9

Each year at this time, thousands of them stand in the cold in Times Square, New York. No big event beckons them. No ballgame is being played. No rock concert is getting underway. It's simply a huge, lighted ball that drops from a tall building. And within a few seconds, hardly worth fighting traffic and crowd pushing for, it descends marking a new year.

Why has this non-event turned into a huge, money-making holiday? Most other holidays celebrate a reputable person, famous birthdays, document signings, or a noted event. But New Year's Eve only celebrates the passage of time—something that most of us would rather not recognize. We make a huge deal out of it because it signals the end of an old era and the start of a new one.

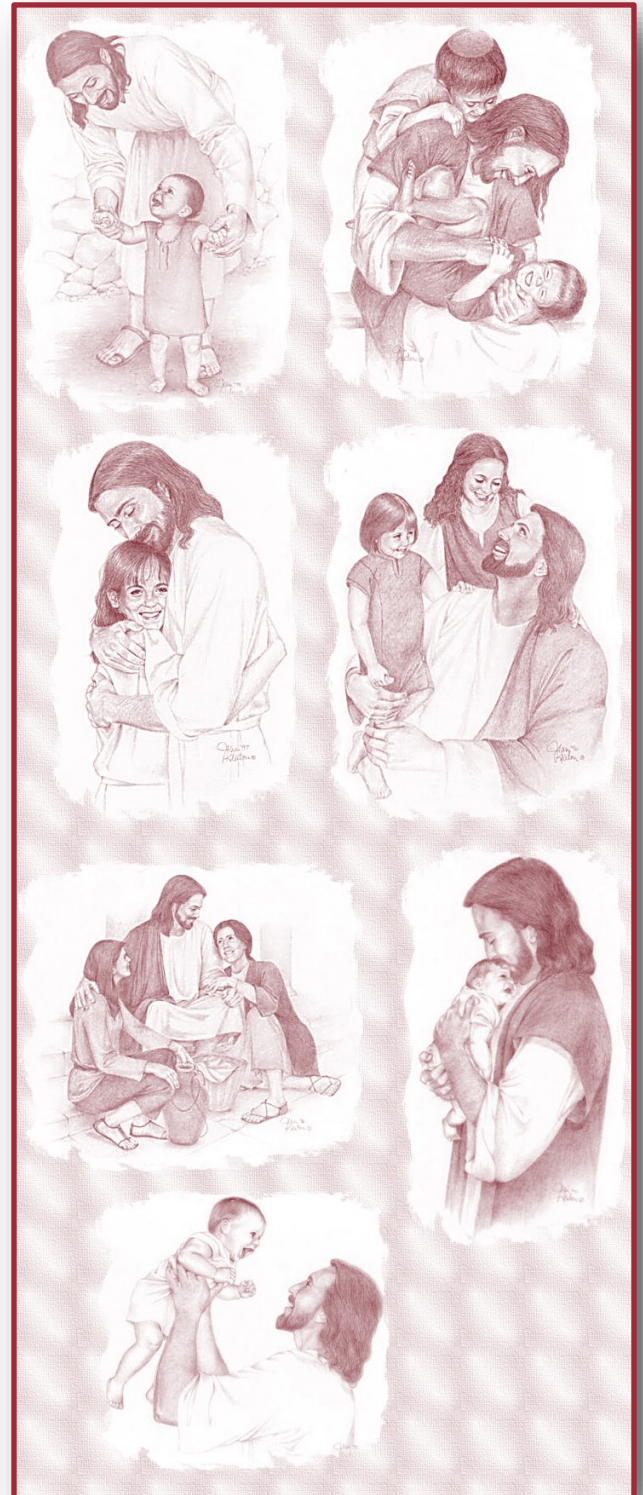
The old year's problems, heartaches, and struggles seem to vanish and become a faded memory when we think of getting the chance of a new year and a new start. It must have been the same way for the Israelites when they stood with Joshua looking forward to a new era ahead of them. They had wandered for 40 years in the desert, and finally they could see land flowing with milk and honey ahead. Better yet, they had God's promise that He would never leave or forsake them.

As you stand with your back to the old year and look forward to the new one, you can have hope in the promises of God. You will certainly face both trying and joyful times ahead, but you can rest assured that He "will never leave you nor forsake you" Joshua 1:5. that promise is enough to celebrate the new year ahead!

Prayer Challenge: ask God to give you courage, strength, and faith in Him to face the days ahead. Thank Him for being faithful and for never leaving your side.

**BE STRONG  
and very  
COURAGEOUS**  
Joshua 1:9

**Jesus loves the little children.....**





# JANUARY 2021



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			Wednesday Service FB at 5:30pm		1 	2
3 Sunday School 9:30am Morning Service at 10:45am	4 21 Days of Prayer and Fasting 4th-24th	5	6 Wednesday Service FB at 5:30pm  <b>EPIPHANY</b>	7	8	9 Association Bible Study at Lonoke Baptist 9am-12 Noon "Epistles of John"
10 Sunday School 9:30am Morning Service at 10:45am	11	12	13 Wednesday Service FB at 5:30pm	14	15	16
17 Sunday School 9:30am Morning Service at 10:45am  Sanctity of Life	18 Martin Luther King Day  Ladies Bible Study "Elijah, Faith and Fire" 6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall	19	20 Wednesday Service FB at 5:30pm	21	22	23
24 Sunday School 9:30am Morning Service at 10:45am Business Mtg	25 ECON VIRTUAL Conference ABSC	26	27 Wednesday Service FB at 7pm	28	29	30
31 Sunday School 9:30am Morning Service at 10:45am						



Wednesday nights service will continue at 5:30pm on Pleasant Hill Face Book. Bro Calvin always has a good message. Keep tuning in, it will make your tomorrow a better day.

## Sunday School

learning to live the life

Will be available to all who want to attend. The Adult classes begins at 9:30am which gives the members a chance to catch up on things in life and prayer time before starting lesson. We have 3 adult classes and a Youth class. No children classes at this time.

## 21 Days of PRAYER + FASTING Jan 4-24

- ✦ BROKENNESS & DESPERATION: Pray that we would see this season as the hand of God, bringing us to the end of ourselves so that we would desperately seek Him.
  - ✦ EXTRAORDINARY PRAYER: Pray that we would move to new levels of prayer, creating a sense of urgency to focus on the things that matter right now.
  - ✦ VOICES TO BE RAISED: Pray that strong, prophetic voices would be raised up in our churches, state, and nation to speak the truth and call our nation to repentance.
  - ✦ REVIVAL IN THE CHURCH: Pray that we would rightly evaluate what is happening right now in our world and see a mighty movement of repentance and a return to God by His people.
  - ✦ BOLDNESS IN OUR WITNESS: Pray revival would lead to an explosion of every believer sharing Christ just as they did in Acts 2.
  - ✦ CHRIST EXALTED: Pray our message would be nothing but Christ Jesus, Who was crucified, rose again, and is reigning in Heaven and that He would be lifted up and draw men unto Himself.
  - ✦ SPIRITUAL AWAKENING: Pray for a massive-perhaps even worldwide -movement of spiritual awakening and that a harvest would occur that will usher millions into God's Kingdom.
- ABSC.ORG/PRAY21

## Epiphany

(1) : a usually sudden manifestation or perception of the essential nature or **meaning** of something.  
 (2) : an intuitive grasp of reality through something (such as an event) usually simple and striking. (3) : an illuminating discovery, realization, or disclosure. The manifestation of Christ to the Gentiles as represented by the Magi (Matthew 2:1-12). A manifestation of a divine or supernatural being. The festival commemorating the Epiphany is on January 6.

What does Epiphany feel like? You just sit there thinking about something you've learned, seen, read about, and all of a sudden it hits you. In that moment it may **feel like** the most important realization you've ever had. **Like** you've discovered some hidden truth that no one else has ever thought of before.



## January Bible Study -January 9, 2021

9:00-Noon at **Lonoke Baptist Church**

Pastors and members are invited to join us in the Living Assurance Bible study as we walk through the epistles of John led by Bro. Dick Avey.

Everyone is responsible for obtaining their own study guides and you may purchase them from Lifeway. We look forward to continued growth in the Word and learning how our understanding of Christ impacts our daily lives. We hope you'll join us!



What is the principle of the sanctity of life? In religion and ethics, the inviolability of life, or sanctity of life, is a principle of implied protection regarding aspects of sentient life that are said to be holy, sacred, or otherwise of such **value** that they are not to be violated. On January 13, 1984, President Ronald Reagan issued a proclamation designating January 22 as the first National Sanctity of Human Life Day. (January 22, 1973, was the day the U.S. Supreme Court legalized abortion-on-demand in all 50 states.) Churches around the United States use the day to celebrate God's gift of life, commemorate the many lives lost to abortion, and commit themselves to protecting human life at every stage.

Ladies Bible Study- 7 Week Study: "Elijah, Faith and Fire" by Priscilla Shirer. Please let Kim Phillips know if you want to participate in the study by January 8th so she can order the books. (\$15.00 each) The study will begin January 18th at 6:30pm in the church Fellowship Hall.



We will have a Business Meeting on Sunday, 24th. You are encouraged to attend to keep abreast of things going on.

**Business Meeting**

▶ VIRTUAL

# ECON

2021 STATEWIDE CONFERENCE ON  
EVANGELISM + CHURCH HEALTH

ONE DAY ONLY!  
JANUARY 25, 2021

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**PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCHES**  
 Pray for New Hope, Baptist Church  
 Pastor Fred Dollar (Jenny)  
 For the month of January as we pray for  
 churches in our Association







New Ceiling fans have been installed. Work continues to happen!



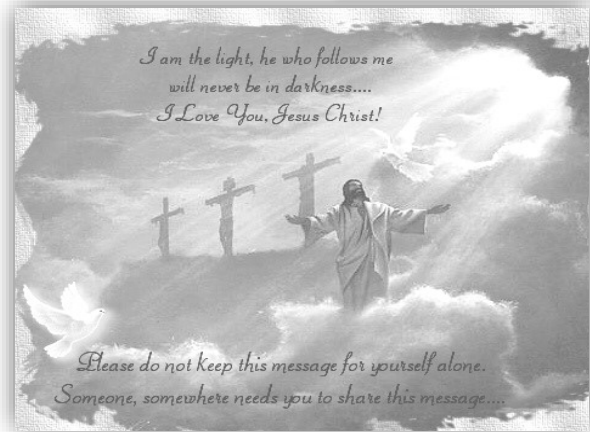
Brad Davis and Andy Jones installed the new lighted fans in the Sanctuary.



One of the children's classroom—looking good



North Wing Foyer (next to church office) Nice



## January

4	Bryan Cushman
5	Ramona Chapman
6	Meadow Janke (y)
9	Eva Fisher
12	Courtney Southerland
13	Samantha Stephens
19	Calvin King
21	Verna Waddell
23	Cody Higgins (y)
23	John Gundel
23	Tori Barnhill
25	Sandy Barnhill

Consistently keep in prayer: Bro Calvin & Janet King  
Teachers/Helpers Our New Christians Pleasant Hill Baptist Church

Our lost ones  
Our Youth, Our Children  
Van Kids  
Gary & Betty Delp  
Chris Skelton  
Gerald /Linda Yount  
Ben / Eva Waddell  
Gerry Waddell

Steve & Tracey  
Charlie & Mavis Martin  
Teri Miessner  
Susie Wilburn  
AJ McLean-military  
Asher Hargrove-military  
David/Melinda Chapman  
Linda Clark's Brother and sister, Edith  
McLean family

Remember to pray for each other for strength, courage, boldness and spiritual discernment in our daily lives  
Pray for Visitation/Outreach in our Sunday School classes  
Our church guests and inactive church members.



To submit articles/info to Ramona  
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Or see at church.