

PAYNESVILLE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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Joe's Journal

We look forward to beginning our ninth year as minister with the Paynesville Christian Church. It seems the time goes by so quickly. It is that way with life, also, but it's never too late to begin a new habit – or to renew our side of the promise with God – or to name anew the responsibilities we have as faithful people. Here is a list that may be helpful as we look to 2008:

I WILL:

- Mend a quarrel
- Seek out a forgotten friend
- Dismiss suspicions, and replace it with trust
- Give a soft answer
- Encourage youth
- Keep a promise
- Find the time
- Forego a grudge
- Forgive an enemy
- Try to understand
- Think first of someone else
- Appreciate
- Be kind
- Laugh a little
- Welcome a stranger
- Speak my love
- Speak it again.

We are happy to welcome Larry and Joyce Aldridge into our church family. Their decision was made on December 2, 2007. They were presented with a member gift packet of a Bible each and information. May God continue to bless, as we grow together in worship, service and fellowship.

Joe

“Be sure to fear the Lord and serve him faithfully with all your heart; consider what great things he has done for you.” I Samuel 12:24

“Therefore, Brethren, hold steadfast the tradition, which you were taught by word and our Epistle.”

II Thessalonians 2:13

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HAPPY NEW YEAR

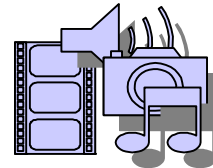
Two Thousand Eight or MMVIII A.D.
(Anno Domino = In the year of our LORD)
2 Corinthians 17 ~“When anyone is joined with Christ, he is a new being; the old is gone, the new has come”.

TO START THE NEW YEAR

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| BIBLE STUDY | 9:30 AM |
| WORSHIP | 10:30 AM |
| CHILDREN'S CHURCH | 10:30 AM |

MARCH 2

SONSHINERS QUARTET
5 PM FELLOWSHIP MEAL
6 PM CONCERT



The congregation wishes to thank Debbie and Loren Bair for their inspirational graphic screen projections. The candlelight service was more impressive with a darkened sanctuary and the words of the songs on the screen. Loren is always improving the website. Please visit, you may see yourself or a friend.

“And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased.” Hebrews 13:16

SHARING

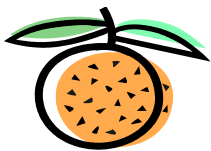
Christmas Love Offering- This year Don Todd's MICO was the mission project and the total was \$200.00. Children placed yellow stars on the tree symbolizing each \$5.00. Three large food deliveries were made. The fifth Sunday was the target mission for Jim Bowyer's World Mission with a total of \$150.00. May praise go to God's people who shared so generously.

Movin' On~. Annex coat closet completed in memory of Reno Taylor. Improvements are: New steps for lower part of the stairs to the basement, gutter repairs made, and the dead tree cut.

LADIES- The annual Christmas Party was held in the fellowship room. It was a festive occasion with delicious holiday food, opening of secret sister gifts, packaging 50 gifts for nursing home, and playing NATIVITY TIC-TAC-TOE. The total money given to CRADLE is \$90.00. The next meeting will be January 15 at the home of Janice Stanley with a soup luncheon at 11 am. Bring desserts or salads

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LET THE LIGHT SHINE- A very large group of worshippers were in attendance for the candlelight service. Many members participated with specials: Lee Smith, Arleen Smith, Janice Stanley, Kambren Stanley, Larry Sedam, Shirley Gray, Joe McKay, Adam Bair. Debbie Bair played the organ for the communion service. Several of the Christmas hymns were a *cappella* which was very inspirational.



TREATS- A gift sack was given to the worshippers on December 23 in memory of Claude and Beryl Hardy. Claude, an elder, thought that it was not a church Christmas without a brown bag which contained an orange and peanuts.

DECORUM ~The church was beautifully decorated and we thank Jonita Hardy for her efforts. If you wish to see the glorification of the season, visit the web site.

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THE LORD'S BIRTH WAS BLESSED BY 114 PERSONS ATTENDING THE SERVICES. The Nativity Scene was on Sunday morning and the choir, 14 melodic voices, bringing heavenly sounds under the direction of Judy Wheeler.

THANK YOU

The congregation wishes to thank all those who gave so generously to the mission efforts: food, treats, nursing home gifts, money. We wish to acknowledge donations from our readers, too.

Sympathy is extended to the families of: David Newman, Brownie Copeland, Donald Noell (grandson of Alice Arbuckle Noell, a charter member)

“We MET and we ET” ~On January 6, we had a delicious fellowship dinner. There were lots of laughs, which is said to be good for the soul, mind, and body. Everyone welcome. Come and enjoy the great celebration of fellowship.

FROM THE CORNERSTONE:
New Washington Courier:
May 7, 1909 *Jefferson County went “dry” last Friday by 106 majority. Old Saluda helped out with 32 votes.*

November 12, 1909

Some kind hearted boys gave away whiskey at Mt Zion church on Friday night. We hope they will be rewarded for their generosity.

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HISTORY BOOKS & DISCS

The history books are still available. There is no cost for the book. There is a mailing fee of \$5.00. You may order more than one if you like. Note if you wish book and/or photo disc. Send to: Mrs. Janice Stanley, 10570 E New London Rd, Lexington, In 47138. If you live in the area and wish a book, call 812.889.2726.

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