

The Witness
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January 2007

Watch Night Service

December 31, 2006, 10:00 P.M. until Midnight

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Pastor's Study

Whether we are ready or not the New Year is upon us. I personally am filled with anticipation as to what the New Year will bring.

Last year was an exciting and challenging year in the life of WHBC. What will this year be like? Will we face great challenges or will we have great victories or will there be both in this upcoming year? I cannot say that I know everything that will happen in the New Year, but I do know that God has a plan and a purpose for each of our lives. God's plan is to prosper us and not to harm us to give us a hope and a future according to Jeremiah 29:11. I hope that you are already praying for God's will to be done in the life of your family as well as in the life of your church family. I believe that God can and will do great things in the midst of our church family if we will allow Him to move and to lead us into the New Year.

There are so many things that can distract us and cause us to lose our focus on God's plan. However, if we will pray for one another and encourage one another then God will overcome our shortcomings for His own Honor and Glory. We must decrease in our pride and increase in our humility so that He might be lifted up and draw all men unto Him. A popular Christian song has lyrics that state, "How great is our God?" Well I believe that He is greater than we can know and worthy of our best service, worship, witness, and praise.

I pray that this year we will give our best to Him and that we will have a common vision of His will, that we might win souls, disciple lives, and glorify the King of Kings. I know that the task before us in the New Year will not be easy but whatever comes we can know that God is in control and that He has a plan. So join with me in prayer this year and let's work to make this year one that fulfills God's will and brings glory to Lord!

"This is the day which the Lord has made; Let us rejoice and be glad in it." Psalm 118:24

Until He Comes,
Jonathan Dundalow
I Tim 4:12

Girl's in Action

The GA's thank you as they received \$60.00 for delivering Christmas cards. These funds will be donated to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

Youth Notes

The World Changers deposit (\$50.00) due January 14th. Thank you.

Expressions of Gratitude

Dear Christian Friends,

The grief over the sudden death of my 24 year old grandson, Garrett Price, was made easier by the love shown our family during this time.

We greatly appreciate all the acts of kindness extended our family through the cards, food, calls, visits, comforting words and attendance at the funeral. Special thanks to Pastor Jon who ministered to us.

Romans 8:28, one of my favorite scripture verses, gives me assurance that God will bring good out of this tragic loss. Praise to His Holy Name!

Helen Heller

Dear Church Family,

What a nice surprise to receive \$100 Christmas bonus and early! I really do appreciate this so much! This is the first bonus check I have ever received in my life!

It is a joy to be a part of God's church here at Western Heights. I hope each of you had a blessed Christmas.

Patricia Johnson

February Birthday List

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|----|------------------|----|--------------------|
| 1 | Joshua Massey | 16 | Ann Cunningham |
| 2 | Danny Mitchell | | Brian Banner |
| | Jimmy Johnson | | Rickey Ingram |
| 4 | Caleb Morini | 17 | Carolyn Hogue |
| 5 | Mark Joyce | 18 | Millie Howland |
| | Earl Dalton | | Justin Banner |
| 6 | Jeff Lovin | | Carolyn Cheek |
| | Chase Wade | 19 | Diane Berberich |
| 7 | Sarah Mitchell | 20 | Jarrett Munford |
| 8 | Mary Wade | | Vicki Campbell |
| | Jimmy Walker | 21 | Kim Stanek |
| | Sandra Lafoon | 22 | David Williams |
| | Timmy Morini | | Eunice Finch |
| 9 | Danny Kinton | 23 | Rachel Newton |
| 10 | Rebekah Staples | | Britney Mitchell |
| 11 | Levi Mitchell | | Ronald "Jake" Wood |
| | Amanda Jerrell | 24 | Linda Fischer |
| 12 | Juanita Berry | | Victor Slade, Jr. |
| 13 | Mary Lou Cannady | | Tina Blair |
| | Charles Daulton | 26 | Brenda Olgers |
| 14 | Edith Chasteen | 27 | Patti Mitchell |
| | Henry Hogue | 28 | Jennifer Twombly |
| | Sue Freudig | 29 | Tony Graham |
| 15 | Wallace Markert | | |

Flower Calendar 2007

The 2007 flower calendar for fresh flower arrangements will be in the side entry by the church office. We encourage you to please sign up for the weeks you would like to remember someone or a special occasion. The cost will be \$28.50 and needs to be put in a designated flower-offering envelope when the payment is made. Envelopes are on the bulletin board by the church office. Please specify the dates of the arrangement(s).

If you decide to prepay for more than one arrangement for the 2007 year, please do not give the monies until December 31, 2006. Thank you.

Sunday School News

Judi and I wish you and yours a very happy and safe New Year!

It is that time of the year again. As we look back over the last twelve months there are surely some things we would like to change or at least do over again. That being impossible, we must concentrate on the future. As we are not promised tomorrow, let's strive to focus on our Lord and put Him first and foremost in our life! May we all be in prayer for our lost world and pray we can make a difference in 2007!

As I reflect back over the last year, it is easy to see how God has blessed us at WHBC! We are blessed to have a growing Sunday School and the "growing pains" that go with it. Please pray for our dedicated teachers as they prepare each week. Let's not disappoint them by having empty seats in the classrooms! As we pray, don't forget those who prepare each week in anticipation of getting a last minute call to substitute. I thank those unsung heroes who are always prepared and also willing to teach on short notice.

The average attendance for November was 228. Praise the Lord! I hope to see YOU this (and every Sunday) at 9:45 for Sunday School.

In His Service,
Robert Tucker
Sunday School Director

January 2007 Children's Church

January 7	Rob & Becky Thomas
January 14	Karla Baird & Jean Carter
January 21	Holly Johnson & Amanda Spencer
January 28	Billy & Christy Ramsey

January 2007 Nursery Schedule

Date	Time	Age	Workers
Sun Jan 7th	11am	Infants	Doris Harrison, Aredda Mithcell
	11am	Youth Helper	Nelson Crance, Hannah Lane
	11am	Toddlers	Rob & Becky Thomas Andrea Armentrout,
	11am	3yrs. old	Richard & Kim Lane
	7pm	Combined	Linda Cothron & Tina Blair
Wed. Jan. 10th	7pm	Combined	Jamie Morini & April Norris
Sun. Jan. 14 th	11am	Infants	Brack & Laura Dunn, Janelle Brown
	11am	Youth Helper	Aby Staples, Whitney Gibbs
	11am	Toddlers	Dee & Patty Beville & Heather Schmidt
	11am	3 yrs. old	Charles & Jean Roberts
	7pm	Combined	Steve & Laura Kay Spencer, Wanda Gibbs
Wed. Jan. 17 th	7pm	Combined	Carolyn Hogue & Vicky Campbell
Sun. Jan 21st	11am	Infants	Michael & Amanda Spencer, Wanda Gibbs
	11am	Youth Helper	Rebecca Francis
	11am	Toddlers	Marty & Carla Baird, Jeff Baird & Joshua
	11am	3 yrs. old	Ronnie & Becky Pierce
	7pm	Combined	Hershel & Jean Carter
Wed. Jan 24 th	7pm	Combined	Robert & Judi Tuckerl
Sun. Jan 28th	11am	Infants	Charles, Faye & Amanda Veazey
	11am	Youth Helper	
	11am	Toddlers	Robert & Kathy Whirley, Jennifer Lail & Stephanie Lamm
	11am	3 yrs. old	Victor Jr. & Sara Slade, Phillip Siegle
	7pm	Combined	Dawn & Wallace Twombly
Wed. Jan 31st	7pm	Combined	Trisha Johnson & Rachel Wynn
Sun. Feb 4th	11am	Infants	Mitchell Family
	11am	Youth Helper	Patricia & Nelson Crance
	11am	Toddlers	Michael & April Price, Carolyn Cheek
	11am	3 years old	Barbara & Richard McCoy
	7pm	Combined	Robert & Judi Tucker

January Birthday List

1	Cindy Dundalow	21	Shannon Seay
3	Travis McDaniel	22	Scarlett Yates
4	Creed Fallin		Melanie Branch
5	Collin Branch		Mildred Dear
	William Gibbs		Bailey Witt
6	Pamela Williams	23	Jacob Mitchell
8	Andy Eubank		Sarah Woods
9	Virginia Bishop	24	Keith Schmidt
10	Jon Elsea		Marie Smith
11	James Howlett		Elsie Eley
	Megan Brockwell		Jean Gibbs
12	Jane Stallings		Kevin Pratt
	Brittany Carr		Preston Ramsey
13	Lauryn Marek		Robert Sullivan
	Wayne Ivey	25	Pamela J. Munford
	Joseph Massey	26	Paul Boyce
14	Polly Moody	27	Nicole Cliborne
15	Kim Lane		Robert Ingram
17	Terry Wolfrey, Jr.	28	Johnny Howard
	Barbara N. Adkins		Gerry Howard
18	Herbert Williams		Vera Mitchell
	Bridgette Gomez		Stephanie Lamm
	Hanna Lane	29	Sarah Mullinax
	Christy Miller		Brayanna Kestner
	Morgan Dundalow	30	Barbara McCoy
19	"Bucky" Santerre		
	Holli Fischer		
20	Michael Crance		

These are names of individuals who are either church members of WHBC or are enrolled in our Sunday School. Please advise the church office (733-8172) of any additions or corrections. Thank you!

