With each new year people all around the nation make their new year's resolutions. A **New Year's resolution** is a tradition, most common in the Western Hemisphere but also found in the Eastern Hemisphere, in which a person resolves to change an undesired trait or behavior, to accomplish a personal goal or otherwise improve their life. With the idea of *"making resolutions"* in mind please consider the article below....

Being "On Time" For Worship

by Barney Keith Jamestown church of Christ Jamestown, IN

Have you ever thought about how scrupulous people can be in the matter of punctuality in their being on time for their various commitments? If a concert is set to begin at 8:00 P.M., - they arrive in plenty of time to take their seats before that very first number begins. If they are to be dinner guests at a 6:00 P.M. affair, it is almost certain that they will leave home in ample time to make it. They would not want to insult the hostess. If employed by a company which requires them to report for work at 7:30 A.M. they get up early and make certain they "punch in" on time. These same people make arrangements to meet specific appointments with their physicians and dentists. Also if they have an appointment to discuss a business deal at a specific hour, they will be there unless it is necessary to cancel it because something very urgent comes up unexpectedly. Parties, picnics, dinners, concerts, sports, business obligations all such affairs are attended to by most of us with all punctuality. Have you ever noticed that Christians sometimes are not as punctual when it comes to the business of Jesus Christ? It may well be that in no other area is there such a high incidence of tardiness. That which is of the greatest importance is often handled with the least diligent effort. The common practice of all congregations is to have fixed hours of Bible study and worship on the Lord's Day and during the week. These hours of services are well-understood by all. Is it too much to expect the disciples of the Lord to do everything they can to be present before time for the services to begin? Every thinking person is well aware of the fact that unexpected things may delay anyone occasionally. The baby may suddenly become ill or need attention. A flat tire or other car trouble, a long distance telephone call, overflowing of the plumbing, coming upon an accident or traffic jam - just a host of "happen-stances" may cause people to be unavoidably detained, causing them to be late for the services. But really - is this usually the case? And especially if people find themselves being habitually late? Surely this whole problem could be solved by each of us if we took to heart some plain Bible teaching about the attitudes we should have toward Christ and His work. Think about such passages as these: "Give diligence to make your calling and election sure." "Be ye steadfast ... always abounding in the work of the Lord." "Set your affections on things above" "Seek ye first the 'kingdom of God. . ." How shall we escape if we neglect so great salvation?" "Lovest thou me more than these?"

It is possible for one to break the bad habit of chronic tardiness at the services of the Lord if we will just make these sentiments a vital part of our lives. (Think about it.)

Think about it

The idea of *"being on time"* can be applied to whenever a time has been set for us to get together for whatever reason.

NEWSLETTER Jan. 06, 2019

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Schedule of Services

Sunday AM Bible Study9:45 AMSunday AM Worship11:00 AMNo Sunday PM Service10:00 AMTuesday Ladies' Bible Study10:00 AMWednesday PM Bible Study7:00 PM

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We welcome all who are here today.

If you are a visitor we are honored to have you with us. Please fill out a *Visitor Card* (on the back of the pew in front of you) so we may have a record of your visit. Later in the service we will pass around a collection plate. As a visitor you are obviously not expected to give but we would like for you to place the *Visitor Card* in the collection plate. Thanks.

There is a nursery at the rear of the auditorium up the stairs for infant care.

Please keep cell phones and other noise making devices silent during worship.

2019 Happy New Year



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Condolences

Joey Kinitt, Wilma Patterson's nephew in Orlando FL, passed away from a heart attack on New Years Day. Joan Campbell-Cook's aunt in FL passed away. Milton & Joan left Thursday to go down for the funeral.

Prayers In our prayers let's praise God, recognize His greatness, and thank Him for His blessings.

Ron Cameron is dealing with shoulder issues.

- Edie Sumner will be admitted to the hospital soon and will be there for several weeks.
- Lula Elder, let pray for her continued well being.

Jim, Nancy Schul's son in Texas, has suffered a perforated bowel and is dealing with severe infection. He is scheduled for surgery Jan. 10.

Susan Barrett, Frank Marsden's daughter, is undergoing thyroid tests.

Gage, Jim and Cheryl Mellott's grandson, has been notified he is being deployed to a Marine contingency on an aircraft carrier in the Atlantic. His address is posted on the Message Board in the back.

Bruce Brink requested prayers for his former wrestling coach Eric, whose wife recently passed away.

Cindi Lewis, a former member here now living in Texas, was taken to the hospital recently and they think she has lung cancer. They are waiting on tests results.

Linda Todd, Ron Cameron's friend in PA who recently fell down some stairs and broke her neck and is paralyzed is making some progress but slowly. She is scheduled for two more surgeries - one on Jan. 14th & the other on Jan. 28th. She initially had surgery on her neck to put pins in to stabilize her spinal column. She has since had a colostomy bag installed because of her paralysis. She will be wheel chair bound for the rest of her life. If the congregation would like to send her a card of encouragement, her current address is posted on the back bulletin board.

Let's pray as we continue our preacher search process.

Upcoming Events (Lord willing)

Jan. 12 Meeting of Preacher Search Committee 10 AMJan. 19 Camp Meeting (for camp members) Here at LaSalle 10:30 AMJan. 20 Men's Business Meeting

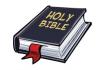
Jan. 21 Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Thanks

to Bruce Brink for conducting the Adult Bible Class last Sunday and to Rodney Jones for delivering the sermon last Sunday.



There will be a quick meeting of the men after services this morning in the room at the front of the auditorium to officially approve the 2019 Budget that has been posted for the last several weeks.



2 Timothy 2:15

Brock and Kathy Hartwigsen say hello to everyone here.

Classes and Sermon

Sun. AM Adult Bible StudyHebrewsSermon Topic Today:2019 - God and ChangeScripture Reading:Genesis 6:9-18No Sun. PM Bible Study10 AM at the building.Wed. PM Bible Study1st Kings

Ladies Bible Class We will resume on Tuesday January 8th

10 AM sharp - at the church building.

Per Business Meeting Minutes of Dec. 16, 2018

A voucher system for payment of any receipts to individuals will be implemented 01/01/19. A form should be filled out and signed by individuals requesting reimbursement and invoice/receipts attached.

Please see Audrey if you have any questions.

Serving Today

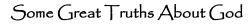
Announcements	Wayne Carter
Song Leader	Marvis Garrett
Direct Communion	Ray McArthur
Serve	Wayne Carter
Serve	Richard Wheeler
Serve	Noah Bennett
Clean Travs	Jean Cameron



Bring it in! Do you have a change can for Potter Children's Home? Bring it in and give it to Mark. Thank you for your help!

Directory

It is planned to publish an updated *Directory* in January. Please check the paperwork posted in the back of the auditorium.



By Neal Pollard via Maple Hill Messenger / Maple Hill church of Christ / Benton, KY

- He Is Omniscient, Yet Optimistic (Jer. 26:3).
- He Knows Us Better Than We Know Ourselves And Still Is Not Willing That Any Should Perish (2 Pet. 3:9).
- He Sees Our Stingy Tendencies, But He Still Gives Freely (Rom. 8:32; Eph. 1:6).
- He Knows We Can Be Faithless, But He Is Still Faithful (2 Cor. 1:18; 2 Tim. 2:13).
- We Keep Track Of Others' Wrongs, But God Can Forget (Heb. 10:17).
- We Procrastinate And Delay, But God's Patience Still Waits (So Far) (1 Pet. 3:20; 2 Pet. 3:15).
- In A World With Too Much Impersonal Care, He Personally Cares (1 Pet. 5:7).
- When We Feel Ignored By Others, He Sees Even Minute Details (Matt. 10:29-31).
- In A World Of Fickle, Fading Love, His Lovingkindnesses Never Cease (Lam. 3:22).
- People Forget The Help, Favors, And Gifts We Give Them, But God Is Not Unjust To Forget Your Work And The Love You Have Shown In His Name (Heb. 6:10).
- Though Others May Abandon You, He's Coming Back To Claim His Own (John 14:3; 1 Thess. 4:16-18).