Those Serving Today:

Morning

Announcements: John Williams

Song Leader: Chad Futrell

Opening Prayer: Charles Perkins

Lord's Table

Presiding: Phil Byrd

Assisting: Rick Caldwell

Stephen Blanford

Sermon Notes

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Steve Conley

Sermon: Byran Hatcher

Closing Prayer: Wade Hedgepeth

**Evening** 

Song Leader: Chad Futrell

Opening Prayer: John Williams

Sermon: Byran Hatcher

Lord's Supper: Calvin Austin

Assist: Dustin Pool

Closing Prayer: Kyle Pool

Those Serving Wednesday:

Song Leader: Chad Futrell

Opening Prayer: TBA

Scripture: Kyle Pool

Reading: Psalm 78:64-72

Invitation: Byran Hatcher

Pantry item of the Week:

Water

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# Welcome, Visitors!



"Cry aloud and shout...for great in the midst of thee is the Holy One of Israel." Isaiah 12:6

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Service times -

Sunday:

Bible Class 9:00am

Worship 10:00am

Evening 5:00pm

Ladies' Class:

Tuesday 10:00am

Wednesday:

Bible Study 7:00pm

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Preaching the Truth in Love!

### Be Resolute!

The New Year offers a promise of greater things to come. No matter what occurred last year, this changing of the calendar offers the illusion of a clean slate. (Illusion is used because, in reality, every day is a clean slate when we give it to the Lord (Lamentations 3:22,23).) Often, resolutions are made to make one's life better in some way. It is usually a change in lifestyle or to enrich one's life in some meaningful way. Never forget, however, that regardless of the desired outcome, positive or negative, that change means pain. The most well-meaning, sincere act or drive to do something positive in one's life, requires sacrifice. For example, most would like to lose weight. That requires a change in diet (you did not get fat eating healthy and sitting on the couch all day) and exercise/daily activity. That changes, perhaps, what you eat, when you eat, where you eat, etc. Most of these things have become habits that are now difficult to 10:00am change. This necessitates creating a greater desire to change in order to achieve the desired result above the difficulties and resistances that will be faced as a result of the change. This is where the ever famous "will power" comes in. A person with self-control can change despite the pain involved.

In thinking about a new year and resolving to be a better individual, think about what is really important. (Ecclesiastes 12:13; Matthew 6:33). One's weight can affect quality of life. It is not ignoble to want to change one's physique, especially if there are life-extending benefits. However, the

physical should not be all that is considered, nor should it be the first. Spiritual fitness should be considered first. Many are weak spiritually that should be strong and it is because of a lack or a misunderstanding of priorities in life. The Apostle Paul wrote, "For this cause many are weak and sickly among you, and many sleep" (1 Corinthians 11:30). Immaturity and a misunderstanding of how to properly worship was a big problem in the church at Corinth. A lack of understanding of Biblical worship remains a stumbling block to many.

If one desires to have a better year than years previous, begin by gaining a better understanding of worship. Start here:

- 1. How—John 4:23, 24
- When—Acts 20:7
- 3. With whom—Acts 2:42; 20:7
- 4. Where—Matthew 18:20
- 5. Why—Colossians 1:18

- BTH

## By The Numbers

Attendance	12/29/	13
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Bible Class: 34 A.M. Worship: 70 P.M. Worship: 55 Contribution: \$1,720.25 DBReaders: 16 Chapters read: 316 **December Averages** 

Bible Class: 44 A.M. Worship: 69 P.M. Worship: 46 Contribution: \$1,862.91 DBReaders: 17 Chapters read: 285

## Family News and Notes

#### **Prayer Requests**

Kathy Jones, wife of David Jones, suffered a stroke last week. She is recuperating but family requests prayer.

Steve Pool's dad, Jim Pool, has cancer. He is going through radiation treatments and is doing some better. Steve is also continuing to search for employment in the Fayetteville area, his expertise is in cabinet making/ carpentry. Becky's Uncle, Bill Miller, is in the hospital in critical condition with viral pneumonia.

Jeanette Freshley's mother's health is in serious decline. She lives in West Virginia. Jeanette sontinues to solicit your prayers on her mothers' behalf.

Active military. Please keep all our active duty military members in your prayers. They could be called to a conflict area at a moments notice. Keep their families in your prayers as well. Joseph Lipscomb is back home with his unit in Washington, Lord willing, he will be with us soon.

Also, please remember: Vera West. B.G. and Margaret Langston, J.D. and Vicky Carver, Anita Bottger, Alice Morrison, Gay Mathis, Lindsey Knopp and Gwen Jennen. Sister Jeryll Dean is not 100%, though usually present.

### **Special Recognition**

What a kick-off to the New Year. The New Year's Eve party was a wonderful success. Thanks to all those that participated.

Sign-up for building clean-up and communion preparation is in the foyer on the far bulletin board.

## **Events**

A change in Service times! Don't forget, our Sunday evening services are now at 5:00 pm!

Men's Lunch: Thursday, Jan 9th, 11:30 @ Chik-fil-a on Ramsey St near Methodist U.

Men's Business Meeting: Sunday, Jan 5th @ 3:00 pm

Ladies' Bible Class resumes January 7th at 10:00 am

Carolina Men's Fellowship: March 8, 2014

If you would like to host the young people's devotional for January, please see Byran for details.