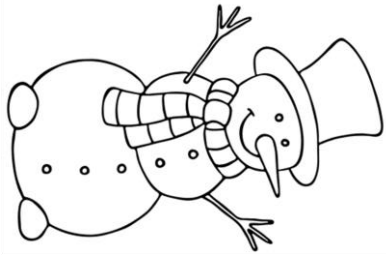
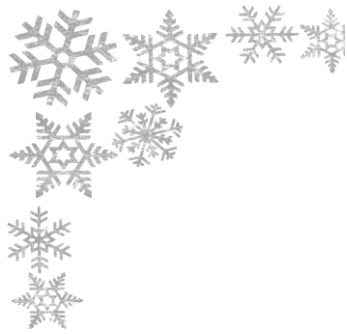


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# The Proclaimer

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Dear Family of God of Philadelphia,

Here's a question for you. What is the one commodity where supply always exceeds the demand? The commodity? Trouble.

Well, 2020 had more than its share of trouble. We saw America cities burning because of racial tensions and political agendas. A record number of hurricanes caused billions of dollars in damage that will require years of recovery. A hotly contested, (and in my opinion), a corrupt election has left us wondering if there is any circumstance where we will ever again be the United States of America. Oh, and by the way, there was also a worldwide pandemic that has killed more than 1.7 million people.

So, now we have turned the page on 2020, and we would all like to believe that 2021 will be a much better year. The problem is, there is no guarantee of that. Jesus said this: *"These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation, but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world."* (John 16:33) No matter what 2021 has in store for us, we can have peace if we trust in Jesus.

In his book entitled, *Hope for the Troubled Heart*, the late Dr. Billy Graham tells a story about an impressive cathedral in Milan, Italy, a city that is known for its art. At the door of this cathedral, on the right side of the door, is a sculptured wreath of roses. Underneath it says, *"All that pleases us is only for a moment."* On the left of the door is a sculptured cross of thorns with these words beneath: *"All that troubles us is only for a moment."* Over the top of the door are the words, *"Nothing is important but that which is eternal."* Good perspective considering the year we just survived.

I don't know what 2021 will hold. But I enter this year optimistic. God is still in control. The Word of God is still true. God's mercy was new when I woke up this morning. I am still a citizen of Heaven. And my name is permanently written in the Lamb's Book of Life. *"All that troubles us is only for a moment."*

May our Father bless you today. Looking forward with joy to serving with you in 2021.

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# LADIES PRAYER BREAKFAST \*\*\*Notice date change\*\*\*

**DATE:** Monday, January 11 **TIME:** 9:00 AM; **PLACE:** Beth's Restaurant

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## *WMU & Ladies Bible Study*

Has Been Cancelled for  
**JANUARY, FEBRUARY, & MARCH**

See you in April

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## **2021 Baby Bottle Campaign Sanctity of Life**

Sunday, January 17, 2021

The HELP Pregnancy Center is excited to kick-off another Baby Bottle Campaign season. This is an easy way to get involved!

Pick up your baby bottle from the church office or vestibule in January and fill with change, cash or check. We will collect baby bottles the end of the month.

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## **87th Baptist Men's Day • Sunday, January 31, 2021**

**Our Guest Speaker: Rev. Alfred Blount from  
Tried Stone Missionary Baptist Church in Asheville, NC  
He graduated from Forest Hills High School in 1984.**

<https://www.triedstoneasheville.org/about-our-pastor/>

Scripture: Luke 10: 1 "After these things the Lord appointed other seventy also, and sent them two and two before his face into every city and place, whither he himself would come."

# January 2021

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY

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3 Return to In Person Worship Services <b>10:30 AM *Morning Worship; 4:30-6:00 PM; In Person Youth</b>	4	5	6 (No WMU until April) Mission Friends, GA's, RA's, Youth, 7:00 PM; Adult Bible Study streaming on Facebook at 7:00 PM	7	8	9
10 In Person 9:30 AM Sunday School; 10:30 AM *Morning Worship and Church Conference 4:30-6:00 PM In Person AWANA & Youth <b>AWANA STARTS BACK TODAY</b>	11 Ladies Prayer Breakfast TIME: 9 AM PLACE: Beth's Restaurant Note Date Change	12	13 Mission Friends, GA's, RA's, Youth, Adult Bible Study 7:00 PM	14	15	16
17 In Person 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM *Morning Worship 4:30-6:00 PM In Person AWANA & Youth Baby Bottle Kick Off	18	19	20 Mission Friends, GA's, RA's, Youth, Adult Bible Study 7:00 PM	21	22	23
24 In Person 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM *Morning Worship 4:30-6:00 PM In Person AWANA & Youth	25	26 Deacon's Meeting	27 Mission Friends, GA's, RA's, Youth, Adult Bible Study 7:00 PM	28	29	30
31 In Person 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM *Baptist Men's Day/Morning Worship 4:30-6:00 PM In Person AWANA & Youth						

\*Morning Worship in Sanctuary and is Live Streamed on Facebook and in the Family Life Center; Parking Lot radio station 107.7 FM

## A Note from **JENKS**

Well, hindsight is always 2020! Ever heard that phrase? What exactly does that mean? You can find several opinions on the matter, but it is best summed up this way; things are obvious that were not obvious from the outset; one is able to evaluate past choices more clearly than at the time of the choice. **2020 will be a year many don't forget anytime soon.**

Having been around high school athletics most of my life, I have used the word commitment many times. As coaches we are always asking the guys to stay committed to the process, the grind, the good, and the bad. Staying focused on the goal at hand. Some teams have been more committed to themselves than they have been to the team. Some have only focused on what was good for them.

After been through some tough times, who do you find yourself seeking guidance from? Those that have been just a one-time spectator or those that have been by your side. Those that have invested in you or have poured out their support and love for you. Sounds silly, right? Unfortunately, 2020 has caused many to rethink that question or worse never really even consider that question.

Let me better explain what I mean through scripture. In John 2, we see Jesus getting upset at how the Lord's House has been treated. He drives out the moneychangers or "businessmen". Later in the chapter, the Jews were looking for answers to their questions. They wanted to know what signs He did to show them in the things He did. Jesus answers them by speaking the true meaning of his words. How the temple of his body would be raised in 3 days.

Later on, many believed in his name because of the signs in which he did. Think about that. Do you know anyone like that? Or, are we a lot like that in our commitment? Scripture says, Jesus didn't commit himself to those people. Seems harsh right? Why or what were these people really believing in, Jesus or the signs and wonders he did? Although He came for everyone, He still required and wanted commitment from His followers. Not people that would show up for the thrills and chills of the things he did. Those experiences always fade away. He wanted to commit himself to those that would stay focused on the main thing even during difficult times. Even in moments where it looked like no hope was in sight. He wanted to spend time with those that were willing to invest and pour out love and support in the things he was about.

Think back to the question I posed earlier. Who do you seek guidance from? What source are you going to find comfort and Peace?

As we head into 2021, Let's make an effort to stay focused and COMMITTED to the things of God. Let's commit to living a life worthy of our calling. Investing in the ways of the Lord and loving those around us whether we like them or not. Staying True to the teaching of Jesus.

Some 15 years ago, at Caswell I heard it put best and broken down in simple terms.

**LOVE GOD, LOVE PEOPLE.**

It will be tough. It will be trying and difficult. If 2020 has taught us anything, it is that GOD is and has always been in control. Let's do our part by being committed to Him, in turn being a witness for others to see and draw strength and wisdom from. I don't want to learn or be

***A Note from Jenks continued...***

inspired by a mere spectator. I want to gain insight from those that have been invested and lived a life worthy of his calling. Let's dedicate our lives and the things we do to Him, day by day.

I have a sign in my room at school that simply states, "Once you learn to quit, it becomes a habit".

Let's make it a habit to stay in His word, regardless of the circumstances or the situation we find ourselves in corporate worship. JENKS

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**AWANA Schedule Change**

**We will meet again on Sunday, January 10<sup>th</sup>.**

**Contact Jill Aldridge for more details.**

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**Microwave Peanut Brittle** Prep Time 15 mins; Cook Time 10 mins; Total Time 25 mins;

**Ingredients**

- 1 1/2 C. dry roasted peanuts
- 1 C. sugar
- 1/2 C. light corn syrup
- 1 pinch of salt, optional
- 1 T. butter
- 1 t. vanilla extract
- 1 t. baking soda

Grease a baking sheet and set aside. In a glass bowl, combine peanuts, sugar, syrup, and salt until well mixed. Heat in microwave for 6 to 7 minutes on high until mixture is bubbly and peanuts are browned. Stir in butter and vanilla; cook for 2 to 3 minutes longer. Quickly stir in baking soda, just until mixture is foamy. Pour immediately onto greased baking sheet. Let cool for 15 minutes or until set. Break into pieces and store in an airtight container.

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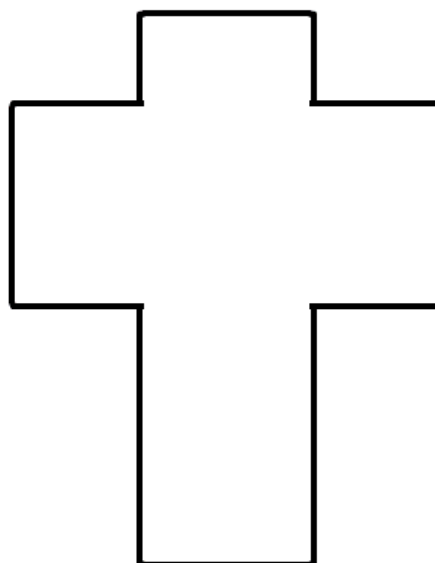
Dear Church Family, Thank you so much for all the monetary gifts, household gifts and gift cards due to our house fire. We still have some "finishing touches" that need to be completed but we are so thankful that we are finally back in our home. We are grateful for each of you and all that you have done. PBC is a true blessing to us.  
Love, Jan Howell & Tiffany Estelle

# Bible Word Search

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Maggie Altman	January 1
David Autry	January 1
Jeffrey Hunter	January 1
Todd Nash	January 1
Corinne Rushing	January 1
Ona Ruth Smith	January 1
Olivia Davis	January 3
Hannah Turner	January 3
Whitney Beard	January 4
Brittany Ciucevict	January 6
Eddie Wallace	January 6
Brian Benton	January 7
Brent Vaughn	January 7
David Booth	January 9
Joshua Flowe	January 9
Tyler Stutts	January 9
Harper Felt	January 10
Candie Porter	January 11
Aurianna Price	January 11
Richard Kirkley	January 13
Chelsea Reitz	January 13
Jessie Griffin	January 14
Brett Benton	January 16
Nancy Lowery	January 17
Chad Clay	January 18
Frances Moore	January 18
Randy Brock	January 19
Jonathan Mills	January 20
Mickey Lowery	January 21
Sybil Jordan	January 22
Gregory Outen	January 22
Hudson Felt	January 23
Dawn Benton	January 24
Joshua Hancock	January 25
Phyllis Hunter	January 25
Ember McGriff	January 25
Michelle Phifer	January 25
Trent Severt	January 25
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Chris Tucker	January 26
Donna Altman	January 29
Tristan Blevins	January 29
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Michelle Crain	January 30
Annette Rorie	January 30
Sawyer Burch	January 31

**January**  
**&**  
**1<sup>st</sup> week of February Birthdays**



**January continued**

Taylor Phifer	January 31
Randy Ratliff	January 31

**February**

Jason Lowery	February 2
Tessa Flowe	February 3
Teresa Lowery	February 3
Kadie Rickard	February 3
Marion Lowery	February 4
Wanda Aldridge	February 7
Gracie Mills	February 7