

~ Kevin's Kolumn ~

Recounting God's Steadfast Love

Isaiah 63:7 *"I will recount the steadfast love of the LORD, the praises of the LORD, according to all that the LORD has granted us, and the great goodness to the house of Israel that he has granted them according to his compassion, according to the abundance of his steadfast love."* As we get ready to enter 2015 I think it's important to remember what God has done for us in times past and to thank Him for what He's going to do for us in the future. Our theme for 2014 was "Vision". Vision to see what God expects of us, vision to understand the commission to make disciples and vision to edify, encourage and exhort one another. 2015's theme is: "Commit". We've been able to do great things in times past to bless those around us and we want to continue to be a blessing to both those in the community as well as to each other. It's always a good idea to reflect on what God is doing and to prayerfully consider which direction He wants us to go next. We need to renew our commitment to follow God. Psalm 51: 10 *"Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me."* The greatest commitment we make is to our God. We are privileged to come together to worship Him in song and service. *"Love the Lord your God with all your heart"*. We engage in ministry when we *"Love our neighbors just as we love ourselves"*. We practice evangelism when we *"Go and make disciples"*. We *"Baptize them"* in the name of the Father, Son & Spirit to build God's kingdom on earth. We engage in discipleship when we *"Teach them to obey all things God has commanded us to obey."* The Church Exists to do what God has called us to do! (Psalms 122:1) *"I rejoiced with those who said to me, "Let us go to the house of the LORD."* (Psalms 34:3) *"O magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together."* Will you be willing to commit yourself to see God's desires come true in 2015?

Have a blessed day and remember the One who gave it to you!

Kevin

May you all have a Happy New Year filled with many blessings, good health and happiness.

Prayer Requests ♥

Please keep the following in your prayers:

Jim Reszler, Keith Kisner, Edwina Summers and Betty Jo Shaffer.

CANCECLATION: We will not be having services on Wednesday, December 31st.

Upcoming Events

New Year's Eve Party at the home of Kevin & Mary Lough on Wednesday, December 31st beginning at 8:00 PM. Please bring finger foods. Everyone welcome!!

News & Notes

Whitehall Nursery School is now accepting enrollment for the 2015-2016 school year. Children must be three years old by September 1st and potty trained. There are openings but they will fill up quickly! If you have a child that you would like to enroll, please see Edwina Summers or contact her at 304-265-2085 or 304-368-0300.

Baby Shower – There will be a Baby Shower in honor of Mandy Rennix on Sunday, January 18th immediately following the morning service. All ladies are welcome to attend. For more information, please see Pam Jackson.