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New Beginnings Make New Endings

I recently saw this quote, "No one can go back and start a new beginning, but anyone can start today and make a new ending" (Unknown). I really began to think about that statement. The conclusion was that we don't start over; but we begin again right where we are, making things better in our lives.

As a believer in Christ, it is not about saying I will do this and I won't do that and then dropping the idea or falling short. It is more about asking the Lord to help us each day, to fall deeper and deeper in love with Him. This way our focus will be set on the things of heaven and not on all this earthly stuff.

If I were to make a New Year resolution, it would be to have a deeper commitment, a deeper love, and a deeper worship for the Lord. In the beginning of this past year, He spoke to me in that still small voice in prayer and said, "I am more than enough. I am more than enough in every area of your life." He also said to tell others the same thing.

This year I am determined to make Him my all and all. He wants our undivided attention in spite of the distractions and temptations that lie waiting around the corner. He has to be our main focus.

Do you want a new ending this year? How do you want the ending of your life? If you're not a Christian, please know that this could be the best New Year of your life. Your life can be filled with hope and peace. To know what the ending will be is an extra bonus. Why should every year be the same as the one before with nothing really changing? After all, the New Year resolutions may or may not get accomplished.

If you are a Christian and your relationship with the Lord has stagnated, then now is the time to rekindle the love affair with Him. He calls us to Himself and says, "Come away my beloved." Can you hear Him? He is tugging at your heart. The real ending in our life will be when Jesus says well done my good and faithful servant. That statement will be for someone who took the time to get to know Him, love Him, and that obediently followed Him.

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PRAYER REQUESTS

For our nation as we are going through troubled times

For our national leaders and world leaders as they lead their respective nations.

For our troops in Afghanistan, Bosnia, Korea, Iraq, Liberia, Haiti and other places.

For the innocent who are suffering in the midst of war.

For the "people in the box"-- the lost in our families and community.

For those who are being martyred and persecuted for Christ in our own time

For marriage to stand in our laws as God ordained it.

For the church in Siliguri and Naresh Chhetri and Ashok Basfor

For the churches in Honduras and Haiti who partner with us in the gospel

For the families of those slain in the Connecticut school shooting

Ellen Lemon doing well after surgery. Biopsy results coming soon.

Boston Schwamberger (3 yr old son of Ashley Bennett Schwamberger) has been diagnosed with a brain tumor. Radiation treatment in progress. Prayers for child and family requested.

Chris Blume struggling for years with Crohns Disease, had a feeding tube installed at SOMC, just hoping to get home for the holidays.

Pauline Jordan (mother of Kandi Cooper), now back in Roger and Kandy's home.

Debbie Kyle (has attended here as our guest) is in rehab in Texas following a knee replacement. She also struggles with serious chronic medical problems. Send prayers to God and cards to Debbie Kyle; Herman Memorial Rehabilitation Hospital; Kingsland Ave; Katy TX 77449.

Ian Adams (Cathy Coriell's nephew in Columbus area, 18 yrs old) in chemotherapy for stage 2 cancer.

Charles Brown (classmate of Emily Bradshaw at Valley) in Children's in Cincinnati with Hodgkin's, taking chemo now.

Jean Fittler (Penny Ball's mother in Mansfield, OH) fell and broke her hip Friday. Had surgery Saturday to repair the hip.

Gavin Rupp (13 year old nephew of Don & JoAnn Miller) not responding to treatment for a brain tumor; has a chance of being admitted to a special program at Baylor University. Pray that he can get in.

John Gampp came home on Friday, doing as well as can be expected.

Sam Miller needing prayer support for a difficult time in life.

Lonnie Williams (Joan Coriell's neighbor) is in OSU in critical condition.

Sympathy Extended

To the family of **Pauline Hunter** (Donnie Miller's aunt) who passed on December 25. Funeral was Friday in Portsmouth.

Bible Curriculum

12/30	Rom 1	1/2	Ruth 1-2
1/6	Rom 2	1/9	Family 101
1/13	Rom 3	1/16	Family 101
1/20	Rom 4	1/23	Family 101
1/27	Rom 5	1/30	Family 101

Looking Ahead

12/31	NYE Party 8-12
1/7	Roller Skating 6-9
1/9	Family 101 Class Begins
1/25-26	Ohio Winter Lectureship
2/4	Roller Skating 6-9
2/15-17	Winterfest
3/3	Friend Day at Sunshine
3/10	Time Change
3/31	Easter
4/7-28	Home Groups

Coats for Kids Update

This phase of Coats for Kids is complete. We have taken care of every request in the Minford School District. There may be others coming in January but for now everything is covered. A big thank you to all who have helped. Thank you to Kristine Coriell and Eugene Risner for coordinating this effort.

Poinsettias

Every Christmas the Lady Bug Greenhouse provides us with the display of poinsettias in the pulpit area. A big thank you to Merritt and Helen Hayward who are the owners of Lady Bug.

Winterfest Information

It's time for Winterfest again. Date is 2/15-17. Flyers are laid out on the table in the foyer. Registration is available on the church's website.

Free Smoking Cessation Program

January 7 through February 18, SOMC will be hosting a Smoking Cessation Program at the SOMC Cancer Center Conference Room each Monday night from 4:30 to 6 pm. Free gum and patches are available but you must attend the sessions in order to receive them. Details are posted on the bulletin board. Other sessions are scheduled later in the year.

2013 Budget Available

Copies of the 2013 Budget for the church is available on the table in the foyer.

Centennial T-Shirts

We have several Centennial T-Shirts that are available in the church office. Some have been spoken for but not picked up as yet. There are some extras that were ordered and available. See Aaron McCray to get yours. \$10/shirt.

January Sweet Monday

January Sweet Monday will be January 7 at 7:30 PM with a demonstration on juicing by Julie and Serena Miller! Please plan to attend!

Family 101 Starting

On Wednesday nights starting January 9 and continuing until we're done, we'll be covering some of the practical areas of family life. It will be a discussion type class covering topics like love, marriage, communication, in-laws, friends, finances, child-rearing, etc. We will try to bring scripture to bear on the issues of family life. Classes will be held in the auditorium and led by Steve Miller. During this period of time our textual study of the Old Testament will be suspended. Since this is a discussion type class, please help by seating yourself in the middle sections of the auditorium.

New Year's Eve at Sunshine

Monday, December 31, 8 pm to Midnight, Sunshine members, family and friends are invited to come to the building for a time of fellowship and celebration as we welcome in the New Year. Pizza and drinks will be provided. Please bring a salad, dessert and/or chips to help out with the food. We're eating first so please try to be there in time to get your pizza order in. Other things on the agenda: Special Bingo game with prizes for the kids K-6, Comedy Video on the Big Screen, Sing Along, Devotional, etc.

New Year's Lock-In for Teens

After the church's New Year's Eve party the teens are invited to stay for a lock-in at the church building. Teens will want to bring their Nerf guns, if you have extra Nerf guns please bring them. Teens will also want to bring snacks and drinks to share.

January Sign Up Month

January is sign up month for our members to reserve the use of the Sunshine church building for 2013. In February we open the reservation process to the rest of the community. If you anticipate needing the building for anything throughout the year, give Delores Gamp the dates now, before someone in the community asks for it.

Directory Update

We have 50 updated copies of our Fellowship Directory laid out on the table in the foyer for you to take. Here are a few reminders about our Fellowship Directory:

1. It is not a **membership** directory, i.e., a list of people who are Christians and have officially indicated to the elders their desire to have them as their spiritual overseers. This is a list of people who are members, regular visitors, and/or out of town people who have a connection to Sunshine. The purpose of this directory is to promote fellowship among those who attend our services.
2. If there is anything in this directory that is incorrect, we would appreciate your feedback so that we can get our information straight.

Toddler Party Sunday

The 2's and the 3's are having their own New Year celebration this evening at 5:30 pm.

Friend Day Coming

The first Sunday in March (3/3) we are planning for a big Friend Day here at Sunshine. We don't do this very often, but when we do we want to do it right. Please start praying now about this day and about the friend or friends that you would like to have sitting beside you on Friend Day. More details will be coming in January, but for now save the date and get ready to reach out to your friends for Christ. We are especially interested in those friends who are not Christians or Christians who are not going to church anywhere.

Ski Trip Coming

Thursday this week, Innermission (and any others from the congregation who want to go) will be going to Winter Place near Beckley, WV for a day of downhill skiing. Check with Jamie Riley for details as to cost and transportation.



In The News

Sean Berry was notified last week that he has been nominated by Senator Rob Portman and Congressman Bill Johnson to enter West Point Academy. He is one of 5000 nominated nationwide to attend the academy. West Point will select 1200 from the larger group to be admitted. Congratulations to Sean and his family for receiving this nomination and prayers to make the final selection.

THOSE WHO SERVE

Sunday Morning

Welcome & Prayer
Song Director
Worship Leaders
Message

December 30

Tom Kelley
Ralph Gampp
Troy Gahm
Shane Mougey
Steve Miller

January 6

Rich Book
Aaron McCray
Mike Gampp
Price Gammon
Steve Miller

Sunday Evening

Song Director
Scripture Reading
Lord's Supper
Assist
Prayer
Bible Class Text

Matthew Hoskins
Rick Coriell
Don Ramey
Dave Coriell
Caleb Miller
Romans 1

Zach Coriell
Jason Coriell
Mike Coriell
Greg Coriell
Tyler Jones
Romans 2

Wednesday Evening

Song Director
Prayer
Bible Class Text

Gabe Coriell
Tyler Jones
Ruth 1-2

Shawn Gragg
Aaron Kallner
FAMILY 101

Regular Service Times

Sunday

Worship - 10:00 am
Bible Study - 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday

Bible Study - 7:30 p.m.

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WORD HUNT



Ten words from the KJV Bible are defined below. Each word is six letters long and begins with the letter "M." Scripture references are provided to assist in solving the puzzle. Note that some Bible translations may use a different word or spelling. Solution is at the bottom of page 3.

1	M				
2	M				
3	M				
4	M				
5	M				
6	M				
7	M				
8	M				
9	M				
10	M				

A large over-garment: 1Kings 19:13

A stall or crib for feeding cattle: Luke 2:7

Carbonate of lime, a type of stone: Esther 1:6

One who witnesses the truth and suffers death: Acts 22:20

Edible gourds: Numbers 11:5

Fungal disease of plants, mold: 1 Kings 8:37

Tool for pulverizing: Proverbs 27:22

Killing a person with malice aforethought: Numbers 35:16

Cover for the mouth of an animal: Deuteronomy 25:4

National god of the Ammonites: Amos 5:26