

The PRISM



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Forward Thinking

Okay, here's your history lesson for the week. The month of January was named after the mythical Roman king, Janus. Janus was said to have two faces—one to look back into the past and one to look ahead into the future. Because of this "two-faced" ability, Janus became the ancient symbol for resolutions. While I often look into the past and see things I have done, and likewise, haven't done (good and bad), I am grateful I have a "One-faced God."

"No longer will a man teach his neighbor, or a man his brother, saying, 'Know the LORD,' because they will all know me, from the least of them to the greatest," declares the LORD. "For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more." (Jeremiah 31:34)

We have a God who only remembers the time A.F. (After Forgiveness). He looks into the heart sees repentance, offers forgiveness and remembers no more. In the same way, God wants us to forgive ourselves of sins He has forgiven. We tend to beat ourselves up over "forgiven sin," when in God's mind there is no such thing as "forgiven sin." How can God forgive something that no longer exists to Him? This is what Paul is talking about in Philippians 3. Paul is striving to use a model he learned from God...

Brothers, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus. (Philippians 3:13-14)

Yes we have a forward-looking God, He looks forward to when we are in heaven with Him. Let us look forward to the life God has called us to live in Christ Jesus, leaving behind all that holds us back from this goal. I guess you could call it forward thinking.

For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us. (Psalms 103:11-12)

Wade McKnight

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Prayer Requests

For those in the gulf area that are suffering through the effects of Katrina and Rita

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 lost in our families and community.

For the ban on partial birth abortion to stand as law.

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

For the church in Siliguri and Naresh Chetri

For **Tim and Jennifer** in the adoption process and the health of baby **Zoe**.

Manford Elkins' condition is continuing to deteriorate and his kidneys now appear to be failing. He is in the VA hospital in Huntington.

Praise Report: Garnet Lindeman did not have surgery on her arm and hand last week. The numbness and weakness has mostly gone away and she cancelled her surgery. She praises God for answering our prayers.

Edna Gampp was released from SOMC last Sunday and is now back at River Bend. She seems to be doing better.

Sam Miller's wing of the ANG will leave for a one week deployment in Qatar (next to Saudi Arabia). Prayers requested for him and the rest of his group in the deployment.

Anthony Mogan (co-worker of Jon Coriell) requests prayers for his grandparents—health issues.

Sarah Riley (Jamie's mother) has been in Holzer-Jackson this week with congestive heart problems. She is being released tomorrow to go to Grant Hospital in Columbus for further testing.

Mary Collins had results from the neurologist that says everything with the brain is A-OK. She is now being tested in other areas.

Carlos Elrod (friend of Chuck Allison) is in SOMC with congestive heart failure.

Sympathy Extended

To the family of Greg Cook, son of Clark and Teresa Cook and brother to Mandy, who was buried in Stanford, Kentucky, on Wednesday.

Picture Directory Update

Gary Glispie is getting ready to update our pictorial directories. If you are satisfied with your current picture, nothing is required of you. If you want an updated picture, you can give Gary a recent picture of your family that you like or you can have him retake your picture here at the church building the last two weeks of January. Also, if your address or phone number has changed, he needs to get that new information also. The goal is to get everything done in the month of January.

Adult and Teen Class Changes

Sunday morning bible classes for Teens through Adults for the next few months will all meet in the auditorium for special classes led by the elders.

Happy Birthday, Charlotte!

Charlotte Brisker will be 90 years old on Monday, January 9. Happy Birthday, Charlotte! A reception was held Saturday at Mark and Autumn Risner's house to celebrate this auspicious occasion.

Welcome, Shelby Marie!

Shelby Marie Coriell was born Wednesday, January 4, 2006, weighing 7 lbs, 12 oz, at SOMC. Parents Mary Beth and Ira are doing fine. Congratulations to the grandparents and uncles on the new addition to your family. Welcome, Shelby Marie to your new home in southern Ohio.

Teen Devo

Tuesday, 6:30 pm at Miguel & Matt Gampp's house

Bible Curriculum

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>
1/8 II Co 5-6	1/11 Josh 13-19
1/15 II Co 7-9	1/18 Josh 20-21
1/22 II Co 10-13	1/25 Josh 22
1/29 Gal 1-2	2/1 Josh 23
2/5 Gal 3-4	2/8 Josh 24
2/12 Gal 5-6	2/15 Judges 1-2
2/19 Eph 1-6	2/22 Judges 3
2/26 Php 1-4	

Looking Ahead at Sunshine

- 2/4 Scout Sunday
- 2/11 Valentine Gala
- 3/12-4/9 Sunday PM Home Groups

Elbrooke Communion Service

For the past 23 years communion has been carried on a weekly basis to members of the church who reside at Elbrooke Pavilion and Minford Retirement Center. Christian men volunteer to cover one month at a time and then rotate with other volunteers. We need a few more men to be involved with this ministry. Time slot for serving communion is from 3-4:30 pm. It usually takes about one hour to make the rounds. See Steve Miller if you are willing.

Father-Daughter Valentine Gala

Saturday, February 11, 7 pm, the Grand March for the annual Father-Daughter Valentine Gala will just be starting. Tickets for the event will be available soon. If you are called upon to help, please be ready to jump in and do your part.

Got Any DVD's?

Derek Miller is in Afghanistan and has asked for our old DVD's. The men use them as diversion and entertainment in their free time. See Steve or Julie if you have some to donate.

Spirit Club News

A handout that answers Frequently Asked Questions about the Spirit Club is available today in the foyer. Copies are on the table. Hopefully this FAQ will clear up some of the points of confusion. Get your copy and read it over.

Sunday PM Services

We continue with Revelation 20 this evening: The Second Vision (20:4-6) that speaks of the 1000 year reign and the two resurrections.

Impact Sign-up

There is a sign-up list for Jr. & Sr. Impact in the foyer. Put your name on the list ASAP if you're planning to go.

Junior Youth Group

There will be a meeting sometime in the next few weeks to discuss the possibility of starting a new Junior Youth Group, tentatively for 4th thru 6th grade. Watch the bulletin for an announcement of the meeting date. See Terry Sullivan for more info.

Tutoring

There will be a meeting sometime in the next few weeks to discuss the possibility of offering tutoring for anyone having difficulty with math or reading, probably two nights a month. Watch the bulletin for an announcement on the meeting date. See Terry Sullivan for more info.

THOSE WHO SERVE

Sunday Morning

Bible Class Text
Welcome & Prayer
Song Director
Scripture Reading
Prayer
Lord's Supper - Server 6
Server 5
Server 4
Wine
Bread
Server 3
Server 2
Server 1
Message
Closing Prayer

January 8

II Corinthians 5-6
Don Coriell
Shaun McCray
Al Graff
Jamie Riley
Ira Coriell
Greg Coriell
Jacob Miller
Mike Gamp
Shawn Gragg
Kevin Stimpert
Jack Jennings
Aaron Franke
Steve Miller
Jason Coriell

January 15

II Corinthians 7-9
Jon Coriell
Ralph Gamp
Matt Hoskins
Terry Sullivan
Dale Gamp
Ryan Coriell
Ike Hardin
Dewey Cordle
Gary Glispie
Matt Cram
Chuck Allison
Terry Royster
Steve Miller
John Berry

Sunday Evening

Song Leader
Opening Prayer
Lord's Supper
Closing Prayer

Gabe Coriell
Mike Coriell
Tim Coriell
Aaron Kallner

Aaron McCray
Wayne Gamp
Josh Coriell
Mark Risner

Wednesday Evening

Song Director
Prayer
Bible Class Text

Bud Coriell
Mark Risner
Joshua 13-19

Zach Coriell
Mark Gamp
Joshua 20-21

Scheduled Services

Sunday

Bible Study - 9:45 am
Worship - 10:30 am
Evening Worship - 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday

Bible Study - 7:30 p.m.

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