

Bethel Baptist Messenger



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Spurred On!



Heavenly Horse Sense for the New Year!

"Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly. . . With all wisdom." Colossians 3:16, NIV

Let me share some practical "heavenly horse sense" with you for 2010. These are things that I need to remember myself. How about you?

>You Get Done What You Spend Your Time Doing!

This quote comes from Mrs. Amelia Bishop, who was at one time President of the WMU for Texas Baptist. It is simple, but when you think about it, very profound! "Lord, help us to spend our time wisely each day!"

> **Keep Your Focus On What Is Important!** We should always keep our eyes open to see what God is about and where the Holy Spirit is at work! Apostle Paul wrote, *"But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining for what is ahead, I press on toward the goal . . ."* Phil. 3:13,14. What will be your goal for 2010? Be sure it is worthy of your focus!

>Determine to Succeed in What Really Matters!

Even as a twelve year old boy, Jesus told his mother, *"Did you not know that I must be about my Father's business?"* (Luke 2:49, NKJV). And years later, on His last journey to Jerusalem, knowing He would be crucified, Luke states, *"As the time approached for him to be taken up to heaven, Jesus resolutely set out for Jerusalem"* (NIV). Note the word "resolutely" or "determinedly" (HCSB). The prophet Isaiah, some 700 years B.C., quotes God's Servant, *"Therefore have I set my face like flint"* (see 50:5-7). Yes, Jesus was determined to succeed in what really mattered, giving Himself as a sacrifice for our sins! What will you determine to succeed in which really matters this year of 2010?

Velma and I love and appreciate you all! Thanks for letting us serve you and all the Bethel Baptist family in this past year!

We look forward to great things in 2010!*

Happy New Year!

*Isn't a 2010 a John Deere tractor?



Brother Richard and Willis Savage have challenged each church member to read the bible through in 2010.

Get a partner for accountability if you need to, but let's all take the challenge and begin reading the bible at least 20 minutes a day. That's all it will take for most people to read the bible through in 365 days.

If you have never read the bible through in a year, January 1, 2010 is a great time to start.

GHS Teacher Appreciation Ministry



Every 3rd Thursday of the month, we send snacks over to the teachers at GHS. Sign up sheets are available in the foyer. Contact the church office for any questions.

We need your continued support for a worthwhile ministry.

FOR THE RECORD

	Sun. Morning Bible Study	AM	PM
Dec 6	197	158	173
Dec 13	173	151	55
Dec 20	196	197	44
Dec 27	180	138	31

INTO THE STOREHOUSE IN NOVEMBER

Total \$ 33,107.18

BIRTHDAY 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
3	4 W.O.M. 9:30 am Kade Wooton Willis Savage	5	6 Virginia Hubbard Vicki Melton Gaylan Young Jr.	7 Donald Boss Lance Swarengin Fred Kelly	8 Happy New Year! Charles Berry Analycia Rodriguez Office Closed	9 Amy Martin Ann Sidwell
10 Deacon's Meeting 7:00 pm Johnny McClain Betty Hatch Bruce Blomstedt	11 Fred Thackeray	12 Shelby Wooton	13 Finance Com. 6:00 pm Betty Finley Sue Moore Becky Keele Justin Doshier	14 Laura Bayes Mary Palombi Jared Hicks Jeremy Hicks	15 Susie Grant Terri Albritton	16 Mary Nell Foster
17 Esther Purkey	18 Martin Luther King Day Office Closed	19 Christine Harrison Joe Washburn Donna Weekley	20 Rebecca Trujillo	21 Goddard Appreciation 11:00 am Taylor Perry Kody Ramage	22 Angel Food Distribution 2:30-3:30 pm	23 Cody Williams Alayah Espinoza
24 Church Conference Jane McClain Adele Sides	25 Betty Carter Barbara McClain Jonathan Purkey	26 Glee Swarengin	27 Charlene Eakin	28 Charlene Eakin	29 Charlene Eakin	30 Charlene Eakin
31 Gail Whitehead						

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W.O.M. REPORT

What a busy time it's been. As soon as we finished with shoe boxes, we were setting up for the Craft Fair. We want to thank **everyone** who donated crafts or baked goods, and for all who made purchases. You helped our church raise an additional \$2,000.00 which will be added to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. We receive the blessing of helping support of our missionaries on the field.

In His Service, W.O.M.

H O P E P E A C E

Love Joy

For the New Year



A Note To All Choir Members and anyone who would like to sing in a choir

Choirs will resume Wednesday, January 13.

This is a great time to start if you would like to sing in choir.

If you have children ages 4 years and up, please encourage them to attend one of our Children or Youth Choirs.

Youth Choir—5:00 pm
Children's Choir—6:00 pm
Adult Choir—7:00 pm



There will be a preview class of the Financial Peace University on Tuesday, January 5th at 6:30 pm. There is no obligation to come to the preview. You can check it out and decide if you want to join the regular sessions.

The regular class will start on Tuesday, January 19, at 6:30 pm.