

THOSE TO SERVE

January 3

Sunday Morning

ANNOUNCEMENTS Elam Miles
 SONG LEADER Mike McMahan
 OPENING PRAYER Chris Biehl
 COMMUNION BLESSING Mike Mitchell
 LORD'S TABLE Jimmy Horton, Charlie Leverett
 Michael Dalton, Bo Wright
 SCRIPTURE READER Colton Mitchell
 CLOSING PRAYER Fred Kramer

Sunday Evening

SONG LEADER Mike McMahan
 OPENING PRAYER Daryl Ward
 CLOSING PRAYER Dayton House

Wednesday, January 6

CONGREGATIONAL SINGING
 INVITATION Jim Hays
 PRAYER W.D. Henry

THOSE TO SERVE

January 10

Sunday Morning

ANNOUNCEMENTS Daryl Ward
 SONG LEADER Chris Biehl
 OPENING PRAYER Tom Grady
 COMMUNION BLESSING Jim Hays
 LORD'S TABLE Melvin West, Elam Miles
 Tyler Horton, Garrett Schwartz
 SCRIPTURE READER Mike Mitchell
 CLOSING PRAYER Mike McMahan

Sunday Evening

SONG LEADER Bo Wright
 OPENING PRAYER Dayton House
 CLOSING PRAYER Don Seward

Wednesday, January 13

SONG LEADER Fred Kramer
 SCRIPTURE READING Colton Mitchell
 PRAYER Jordan Rodgers

MEN TO SERVE THE SHUT-INS

January 3 Jimmy Horton
 January 10 Charles Buck

Calendar of Events

Wednesdays—Nursing Home Ministry. 10:00am at Hillview. 2:00pm at GSHC.

Sundays—Radio Ministry at 8:30am on KXYL 96.9FM.

January 10th—*We Care Ministries* will conduct our Sunday morning class and worship.

January 10th—*Birthday and Anniversary Celebration* in the New Annex. Please bring a covered dish, salad or dessert.

January 10th—Elders meeting with the local *We Care* coordinators.

January 12th—We Care Spanish Seminar with Marco Senoret.

January 17th—Pie ‘N’ Praise

January 24th—Evening Prayer Service followed by the monthly youth devotional

“For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek.” (Romans 1:16)

“I declare to you the gospel ... by which also you are saved ... that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures, and that He was seen by Cephas, then by the twelve. After that, He was seen by over five hundred brethren at once.” (1 Corinthians 15:1-6)

BULLETIN NEWS?

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday: Bible Classes 10:00am
 Morning Worship 10:50am
 Evening Worship 6:00pm
 Wednesday: Bible Classes 7:00pm
 Singing Night 1st Wednesday of each month

OUR ELDERS

Elam Miles
 Daryl Ward
 Mike McMahan
 Tom Grady

OUR DEACONS

Wayne Ables Fred Kramer
 Charles Buck Jimmy Horton
 Charles Parker Chris Biehl
 James Spruell

OUR MINISTER

Jim Hays

January 3, 2010

IGNITE THE PASSION!

This seems to be the season when we think about new beginnings—fresh starts. Some people see it as a time to pray more or to attend church services more faithfully. Yet many people feel they have nothing to offer the church. *“They don't need me. What could I do to really help?”*

If that's you, you couldn't be more wrong. There is a *tremendous* need for you. *Jesus called you!*

Listen to Him in Matthew 28:18-20... *“I have been given complete authority in heaven and on earth. Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age.”*

Jesus gives four important commands:

- “I've been given complete authority”—A command to trust.
- “Go and make disciples”—A command to reach out.
- “Baptize them”—A command to include them in our church family.
- “Teach the new disciples to obey”—A command to pass on what we've learned.

And He gives us a potent promise:

- “I will be with you always, even to the end of the age”—The promise of eternal hope.

George Barna in *“Growing True Disciples”* says it another way: “Ignite and nurture people's passion for God.”

What if we as the church were to focus on the four out of every ten adults and one out of every three teenagers who have already become Christians and do everything we can to help them grow to be productive disciples -- help them live out the four commands? In other words, “Ignite people's passion for God and then simply get out of their way.”

Barna gives many examples of how we, as a church, could “ignite people's passion”.... (page 2)

MISSION: POSSIBLE! "SIX OBSERVATIONS FOR 2010"

Isaiah 6:1-8 (King James Version)

¹*In the year that king Uzziah died I saw also the LORD sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and his train filled the temple.*

²*Above it stood the seraphims: each one had six wings; with twain he covered his face, and with twain he covered his feet, and with twain he did fly.*

³*And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, is the LORD of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory.*

⁴*And the posts of the door moved at the voice of him that cried, and the house was filled with smoke.*

⁵*Then said I, Woe is me! for I am undone; because I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: for mine eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts.*

⁶*Then flew one of the seraphims unto me, having a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with the tongs from off the altar:*

⁷*And he laid it upon my mouth, and said, Lo, this hath touched thy lips; and thine iniquity is taken away, and thy sin purged.*

⁸*Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, Here am I; send me.*

SIX OBSERVATIONS FOR 2010

1. We must get rid of our _____.
2. We must view _____ in all His _____.
3. We must realize our _____.
4. We must accept the cleansing power of Jesus' _____.
5. We must see God's _____ for all people.
6. We must make ourselves _____.

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- Understand that our worship to God is an "every day of the week" thing—not just on Sunday.
- Make a constant effort to convert our knowledge and faith into personal application.
- Completely submit to the Holy Spirit and have hearts that are sensitive to sin.
- Joyfully share our resources—time, money, skills, information, etc.
- Commit ourselves to building a life-changing community.
- Perform spontaneous acts of selfless compassion toward the needy.
- Share our faith in natural and unforced ways based on relationships.

We live differently from the world because of our faith. And the church should project an image of love, care and compassion. Our greatest joy is in trusting the authority of Jesus and reaching out to others.

Are you nervous? Me, too! But I take great comfort in Jesus' words just before ascending to heaven: "I will be with you always, even to the end of the age."

Let's make 2010 the year that we ignite our passion and shine like stars for our Lord Jesus!

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Sue Buck had ear surgery in Temple last Wednesday to remove corrosive cells and two bones. It went well. A second surgery will insert a titanium rod into the ear so Sue can hear again.

Keep **Craig Sullivan** in your prayers as doctors continue his diagnosis for dizziness and blood pressure issues.

Praise God for healing many of our members of various cancers. Pray that if it's His will, the cancer will not come back.

ALSO PRAY FOR

Oleta Willis, Cleo Rhoades, Brenda House, Johnny Truitt, Dean Ethridge, Kirby McMahan, Raymond Mitchell.

REMEMBER OUR SHUT-INS

Louvelle Sides, Della Geeslin, Opal Havens, Hazel Warlick, Eva McCarley, Elna Berry, Flo Price, Christine Denman, Daisy Watson and Frances Watson.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 10TH

Next Sunday will be busy and important for this body as we head into 2010 with a heart for the lost.

- Bill Oden of *We Care Ministries* will be speaking in class on the importance of After-Care.
- Jim Smith of *We Care* will be preaching the morning sermon "*Are You the Solution or the Problem?*"
- January *Birthday and Anniversary Fellowship* after morning services in the New Annex.
- All local *We Care* coordinators are asked to meet with the elders at 1:00pm in the Old Annex.

MARCO SENORET HERE ON JANUARY 12TH

Marco Senoret, director of Spanish missions for We Care Ministries, will be here on Tuesday, January 12th to conduct a short seminar on the We Care method of soul-winning.

Anyone interested in helping take the Gospel to the Spanish-speaking community of Mills County is invited to attend. The seminar will be in Spanish.

***WE CARE* TRAINING BEGINS JANUARY 13**

Just what is *We Care* and how can I get involved? What will be expected of me? Has God given me the talent to take the gospel to the lost?

Learn the answers to these questions in our Wednesday night Bible classes beginning next week.

We will be watching videos, going through the gospel in chain-reference New Testaments, presenting the gospel through a *Good News!* comic book and learning about how to overcome objections.

Please be present for as many of these classes as possible. But, if you miss a few of them, it's not the end of the world. Most of the learning will be done through repetition.

"Yet when I preach the gospel, I cannot boast, for I am compelled to preach. Woe to me if I do not preach the gospel! I do all this for the sake of the gospel, that I may share in its blessings."

(1 Corinthians 9:16, 23)