

Our Powerful God

I hear that so many people go through a strong depression during the holiday season. They are lonely and feel so unneeded. It seems so often that we are all so busy with our personal lives that we unintentionally make people feel that way. There are so many people who need to be encouraged and reminded who they are in Jesus.

In II Corinthians 4, we are told how to be victorious over these feelings. We first must know that we have received mercy from the Lord. For God has disposed the darkness around us by the light of Jesus Christ. This light He has shone is in our hearts and cannot be overcome by darkness. We may face hardships, but we will not be destroyed. In verses 7-10 we find that we experience the excellence of His power, not ours! Here we see that we will have opposition. We will have hardships. We will be persecuted. But in all these things we will find our victory in Jesus Christ! You see as Christians we must know where our strength and power come from. Paul tells us in verse 16 not to lose heart because our inward man is being renewed day by day. In our life we gain strength by trusting the things that we cannot see. Knowing that Jesus is working in and through us makes all the difference in the world. We need Him!

So, if you are feeling low during this time of year, trust Jesus. He will be your constant companion. He will be your strength. Through His mercy and grace, you will be more than a conqueror. Our Lord is more powerful than any enemy that will come against us. Believe Him. Trust Him. Follow Him. Release your life into His hands.

Read II Corinthians 4 and look at Romans 8:37.

"...in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us."

(Rom 8:37)

Students Ministry News

Sunday January 3

All youth activities at Steve McGaha's house on Sunday nights are cancelled until a date to be determined later.

RA, GA, Mission Friends and Youth will be meeting on Wednesday Nights from 7:00 - 8:00 PM. I encourage you to arrive about 10 minutes early so we can start on Time. There will be a memory verse given to your child each week, please encourage your child to learn their memory verse and recite it the following Wednesday Night.

Happy New year Chiquola. Our church family is blessed beyond measure and filled with God's mercy and grace. I have enjoyed our time together in 2020 even considering the unusual circumstances. I realize that some of our church family has gone through grieving and we have seen Jesus do a mighty work through answered prayers. My prayer is that you grew to a deeper personal relationship with your Savior and you seek to enhance that bond in the year ahead. We serve a never-changing, everlasting, God who is sovereign in all His ways. I am looking forward to serving and worshiping in the days ahead with all of you. I wish each of you a prosperous new year in Christ and wish for you to encounter opportunities for impactful daily living that will enhance the Kingdom of God.

THANK YOU

**Church Family,
Thank you so much for all the beautiful cards and gifts for my Christmas. Continue to keep me in your prayers.
Carolyn Howell**

Happy New Year in Christ!

Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation.
The old things have passed away.
Behold, all things have become new.
2 Corinthians 5:17 (WEB)

Senior Moments

Be sure to keep calling & sending cards to your "adopted" Seniors... we have a new set of cards for you today... and we still have a few "un-adopted..." so if you would like to participate, let me know.

Donnie



Music Notes

"Sing to Him a new song;
Play skillfully with a shout of joy."

Psalm 33:3

The Psalmist here describes what I love doing; learning new songs and then skillfully playing them in our corporate worship... So-

to all choir members and potential choir members...

Choir Supper/ meeting

January 5, 2021 at 6:00 PM.

We will meet, eat, and discuss the choir's 2021 outlook. If you have been a part of the choir or would like to start, please sign up. (You and your family)
Sign-up sheet at the Welcome Center.

Deacon of The Week

Jan. 3 – Art Hilberts Jan. 10 – Joey Mitchell
Jan. 17 Hank O’Shields

December Nursery Workers

Jan. 3 – Kelly & Hank O’Shields
Jan. 10 Lisa Parks & Debbie Bell

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

TODAY 9:30 am Sunday School
 10:30 am MORNING WORSHIP
 6:00 pm Evening Worship on Line
MONDAY 7:00 pm Deacon’s Meeting
WEDNESDAY 7:00 pm MISSIONS NIGHT

January 16... Men’s Ministry meeting (with Kenny Evans)

BUILDING FUND GOAL: \$ 318,750.00
Total Rec’d: 92,707.98
Balance Needed: 226,042.02

Stewardship – Dec. 27, 2020

General Fund \$ 6,286.00
Loose 7.00
Lottie Moon Offering 110.00
Building Fund 50.00
Crisis Meals 50.00
Sr. Adults 30.00

LMCO GOAL: \$ 2,000.00
Received: \$ 2,488.00

WMU Prayer Focus

Sub Saharan African Peoples: Pray for missionaries serving in Sub-Saharan Africa as lockdowns and restrictions drag on; schedules and plans are all ‘UP IN THE AIR’. Pray they would not struggle with discouragement and compassion fatigue especially during the holidays. Pray they would ‘with joy’ continue God’s work until it is finally finished on the day when Christ Jesus returns. (Phil. 1:6)

PRAYER LIST

Dana Jenkins Roy Long Nicole Hembree
Doug Vaughn Marcia Lollis Terri Saylor
Hugh McLean Gail Meyers Bob Staring
Mike Latimer Marlene Alewine
Jack & Charlotte Robinson Bobby & Tanisha Whitten

HOMEBOUND MEMBERS

Sue Ashley Ethel Mae McCoy
Eugenia Brock Margaret McCuen
Cliff & Shirley Brock Lollis & Jean Meyers
Dolly Butler Willie Mae Meyers
Carolyn Howell Carolyn Shaw
Barbara Kirkpatrick Peggy Williamson
Ruth Lawton, Cheryl Rowland, Dot Smith

MEMBERS IN NURSING FACILITIES

The Maples

Lois Hall – Room 318 Yvonne Hall – Room 310
Mary Johnson –Room 316 Dorothy Sanders – Room 315

NHC – Anderson

Billie Etters – Room 304A Edna Hill – Room 411
Harold Jones – Room 108B Azalee Redd

Iva Rehab & Healthcare Center

Lillian Davies – Room 109 Frankie Page – Room 208W

McCormick Health & Rehab

Myrtle Smith – Room 126 Judy Sutherland – Room 206

MEMORIAL

Crisis Meals: In memory of Gene Butler – Larry & Kim Good & Family.

Note: Kenny Evans will be back with us in January at the Men’s Ministry event on Saturday, January 16th and in worship on Sunday January 17th.

Church Family,
Thank you for your prayers and the lunch. It was very kind and thoughtful of you to remember us during this difficult time. Please continue to keep us in your prayers.
The ‘Jim’ McCullough Family

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January 3, 2021

Have a Christ-filled New year!



We are worshipping inside today.

We have a socially distanced TV overflow room and weather permitting, we will have speakers outside and also broadcast on 92.3 FM.

Please park close to the drive-thru in the area designated by the orange cones.