
Pleasant View church of Christ
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Sunday School: 9:30
A.M. Worship: 10:30
P.M. Worship: 6:00
Wednesday Bible Study: 7:00 pm
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Hebrews 13:5

“Make sure your character is free from the love of money, being content with what you have; for He Himself has said, “I will never desert you, not will I ever forsake you.”

“The old year has gone. Let the dead past bury its own dead. The New Year has taken possession of the clock of time. All hail the duties and responsibilities of the coming twelve months!”

Edward Payson Powell

“In the midst of upheavals and chaos, allow your faith to take control and keep stillness inside you.”

Kemmy Nola

I Am Resolved

Most people have a love/hate relationship with New Year’s resolutions—they love to make them, but they hate to do them. The most common resolutions involve health and money. The YMCA is jammed with new members during January, and families pay closer attention to their budgets for about a month. But by the time February rolls around, the YMCA thins out and the unnecessary spending increases.

There is nothing wrong at all with making a resolution or establishing a goal related to material things as long as the resolution is God-pleasing. But Christians should be more interested in establishing spiritual goals—ones that will create a

closer bond between themselves and the Lord. There are many biblical accounts of people who made spiritual resolutions and followed through with them. Consider these:

Paul: “...forgetting what lies behind and reaching forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus” (Phil. 3:13-14).

Joshua: “...choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve...but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord” (Joshua 24:15). Hannah (concerning her desire for a son): “I will give him to the Lord all the days of his life, and a razor shall never come upon his head” (I Samuel 1:11). Ruth to Naomi: “Where you

die, I will die, and there I will be buried. Thus may the Lord do to me, and worse, if anything but death parts you and me” (Ruth 1:17). Jesus: “I go to prepare a place for you. If I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself, that where I am, there you may be also” (John 14:2-3).

What are your spiritual goals for 2013? Read the Bible more? Identify and teach a lost soul the gospel? Be more diligent in training your children in God’s ways? Whatever it is, be sure to do it. “Better that you should not vow than that you should vow and not do it” (Eccl. 5:5).

James Hayes

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Because The Bible Tells Me So

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Why do I spell “church” with a lower case “c”? Because that’s the way it’s spelled in the Bible. Why do I teach baptism for the forgiveness of sins? Because the Bible teaches it (Acts 2:38). Why do I believe that Jesus is the Son of God? Because the Bible says it was prophesied (Isaiah 53) and confirmed (John 20:30-31). Why do I worship on the first day of the week? Because the Bible says that’s when the disciples worshiped (Acts 20:7). Why do I eat the Lord’s Supper on the first day of every week? Because the Bible says that’s when the disciples ate it (Acts 20:7, I Cor. 16:2). Why do I believe that Christian men

should lead the worship services? Because the Bible commanded it (I Tim. 2:8, I Cor. 14:34). Why do I believe that Jesus will meet the faithful departed and the faithful living in the air upon His second coming? Because the Bible says so (I Thess. 4:15-17).

Why do I believe that God created the world? Because the Bible told me so (Gen. 1:1). Why do I believe there’s a place called heaven where the faithful will live for eternity? Because the Bible gave me that hope (Rev. 21:1-4). Why do I believe there’s a place called hell that’s prepared for the devil and his angels where the disobedient will suffer forever? Be-

cause the Bible stated that reality (Matt. 25:41).

Why do I believe that it is better to give than to receive? Because the Bible taught it and gave examples its blessings (Acts 20:35). Why do I believe that only Jesus’ church will be saved from eternal destruction? Because the Bible taught us that (Eph. 1:3-6). Most men edit God’s word to suit themselves. They add a little here, subtract a little there. They make the Bible conform to their politics. They make Jesus’ words palatable to those who resist it. It is not our objective to change His word; it’s our objective to live by it.

James Hayes

Items of Note:

- Continue to remember those who are sick: Kyla Myers, Steve Buchanan’s 13-year-old niece, is suffering from a rare immune disorder; Freddie Brown and Kristine Garrett are still sick; JW Head has various health issues; Jay Newell is recovering at home from surgery; Jean Stockmeyer is in Vanco Manor doing therapy for heart problem.
- Carsyn Thornton is still very sick.

**Please Email Janet Tabor With Church News—taborj@realtracs.com
We Have Eclipsed The \$60,000 Mark For Our Building Fund!**

THOSE WHO WILL SERVE THE CONGREGATION

Sunday School

Read: Gupton

Pray: Rose

Morning Worship

Wait on the Table: Reed

Serve: M. Newell, J. Walker, Garrett

Pray: J. Newell