



"This hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast" - Hebrews 6:19

Welcome! We're glad you are here!

Sunday - December 30, 2018

## NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

by Troy Spradlin

It is that time of year again! Can you believe it? A new year and a new start. As we face a new, fresh year let us always remember that our sole purpose in life is to glorify God. Let's strive to put Him above everything else. Whatever our plans may be, whatever goals we want to accomplish, or whatever our intentions are, let us keep our focus on that one main purpose - as a church. How might we go about that? Here are a few suggestions that will certainly fulfill the purpose, as well as, bring blessings to your life:

- 1. Pray!** We should begin by praying for this new year. Pray, thanking God that He has blessed us with a new year to serve Him. Pray, asking God to guide us in our plans and preparations, that they will bring glory and honor to Him and that they be done according to His will. Pray, that the new year will provide opportunities to bring others to the foot of the cross and that the congregation might grow in number. Pray, that we all might grow in spirit and truth. Perhaps, you need to learn to pray more frequently. This is one area in which many of us could always improve. Find yourself a prayer partner, form a prayer group, or join an already existing one like Perc'-N-Prayer. Keep a prayer journal. Make a concentrated effort to develop good habits for praying during this coming year.
- 2. Read!** We should read and study our Bibles more. If we are going to be a people of the word, we must get into the word. Find a "Bible Reading Plan" that lists passages and days for reading. If anything, just make an effort to read the Bible frequently. Perhaps, a daily reading starting from Genesis to Revelation. Try reading the New Testament more than once, or from different versions. Reading the Bible in chronological order is always enlightening. A great resource for a Bible reading Plan (with interactive links to videos) can be found on our website under "Links."
- 3. Attend!** We should strive to improve our attendance this new year. Are you attending all services? If not, begin there. If you already are, consider other fellowship activities, or help plan some new activities for the church. Spending more time with your brethren is always a good spiritual booster.
- 4. Be more involved!** There are many areas of ministry at Margaret Street. There is always much work to do and there is always a place for someone willing to work. Start visiting the sick, or our shut-ins. Invite members to your home for fellowship, or a devotional. Use your imagination!
- 5. Evangelize!** When was the last time you brought someone to Jesus? Maybe you could start a Bible study in your home to invite your neighbors, or friends. Learn the methods of "Bring, Teach, Keep" and put them into practice. Hand out fliers or tracts. Find something that works for you.



Hopefully, these will help you in your spiritual walk. We pray that you and all of the members at Margaret Street will have a wonderful, productive New Year! God bless! - TS

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# SERVING WITH HONOR

## SUNDAY DECEMBER 30

### MORNING

Opening Prayer ..... John Pace  
Song Director ..... Blake Hatcher  
Sermon ..... Scott Shanahan  
..... *The Compassionate Servant*  
Scripture Reading ..... Joe King  
..... Isaiah 53:1-12

### Serving Communion:

Comments ..... Chris Davis  
Pat Mense ..... Joe Wilson  
Eli Whitney ..... Doug Lee  
Paul Lipford ..... Alan Brazell  
..... Jim Loftin  
Closing Prayer ..... Forrest Chapman

### EVENING

Opening Prayer..... N/A  
Song Leading ..... N/A  
Comments ..... N/A

### Worship Service and Preparation:

Secure Building ..... Eli Whitney  
Communion Prep ..... Pace Family  
Nursery ..... April Estain  
..... Ashley Ray  
PowerPoint ..... Brooks Singley

### WEDNESDAY EVENING

Song Leading ..... Pete Pierce  
Opening Prayer ..... David English  
Devotional ..... Joe King

### WEEKLY REPORT:

Sunday Bible Class ..... 193  
AM Worship ..... 249  
PM Worship ..... 118  
Wed. Night Bible Class ..... 138  
Contribution ..... \$8,326

### ELDER CONTACT FOR DECEMBER:

Primary ..... Doug Lee  
Secondary ..... John Pace

## Visitors:

### Thank you for coming!

#### You are our honored guest!

For more information about the church, spiritual topics, our classes, and activities, there is a tract rack at the entrance of the auditorium for your convenience.

Or, ask any member for assistance.

**Please take a moment to fill out a visitors card, or sign our guest book so that we might have a record of your attendance. Thank you!**

## MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

### ADMINISTRATION

- Deadline for all bulletin items: **Thursday, by noon.**
- Please turn in your Group Folders on Sunday Night worship so Blisse can update attendance on Monday.

### BENEVOLENCE

- Receiving Items: 1/8/19 @ 9:30 AM
- Preparing Boxes: 1/10/19 @ 9:30 AM
- Distribution: 1/10/19 @ 2:15 PM
- Pantry needs : Canned Meat

### EDUCATION

- Bible Class Schedules are available at the Welcome Desk
- Anyone willing to help teach, please see Oscar Locklin.

### WORSHIP

- Service Rosters are available on the Welcome Desk and Margaret Street website (listed under "Archives")
- If you are having difficulties hearing the sermon, we have wireless "LISTEN" devices available in the foyer, located in the Armoire, which you can sign out and return after services. \*Please remember to clean the headphones with an alcohol wipe when you return them.

WIFI Password: Psalm 122.7

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Golden Agers .....  
Involvement ..... Joe Bartell\*  
Lads to Leaders ..... David English  
Missions ..... Mike Scott\*  
Visitation ..... Bob Locklin, Rick Martin\*  
Youth & Family ..... Casey Bearden,  
..... Joe Wilson\*, Chris Davis,  
..... & Blake Hatcher  
Website ..... Jim Pitts\*  
Worship ..... Darrell Bozeman\*

### TIMES OF SERVICES:

Sunday AM Bible Class ..... 9:00 am  
Sunday AM Worship ..... 10:00 am  
Sunday PM Classes, Worship ... 6:00 pm  
Wednesday PM Bible Class ..... 6:30 pm