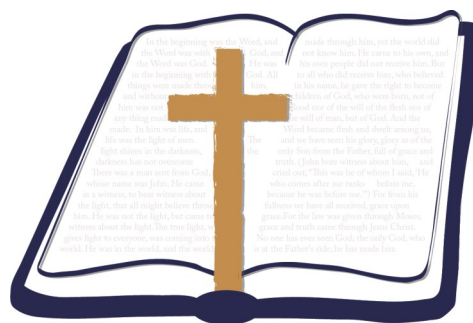


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## HAPPY NEW YEAR

Sun, Jan 5th

8:30 am - WMU Breakfast

Wed, Jan 8th

Children's Choir Resumes

Sun, Jan 12th

9:15 am - Sunday School Teachers Meeting

Wed, Jan 15th

6:00 pm - Business Meeting

Sun, Jan 26th

11:00 am - Lord's Supper

Mon, Jan 27th - Wed, Jan 29th

11:00 am - 1:00 pm - January Bible Study & Lunch

### JANUARY Birthdays

- 1 Kristi Carpenter
- 4 Linda Holcombe
- Paula Brown
- Cindy Bell
- 8 Jacob Self
- 14 Gail Coyle
- 22 Penny Anthony
- 28 Sam Nix

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 STAFF ANNIVERSARY  
 Penny Anthony  
 1-15-2014  
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#### Budget Report (through December, 2024)

<u>Receipts</u>	Month - \$13,573.43
	YTD - \$183,175.12
<u>Budget</u>	Month - \$18,496.17
	YTD - \$221,954.04

#### Pray For One Another

James 5:16 "...and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working."

We have an obligation as members of the one body of Christ to pray for one another. This command, in its immediate context, speaks of praying for the physical healing of our brothers and sisters who are sick. This is a right, obedient, scriptural thing to do. We should pray for friends and co-workers who are sick, but we should ESPECIALLY pray for the healing of ONE ANOTHER—members of the body of Christ.

But as we look at the whole of scripture, we see that prayers for healing are a proportionally small part of prayer. So what else should we be praying for other members of the body. Paul gives us a wonderful example in both his prayers for the churches and what he asks others to pray for him. Since we are currently preaching through Romans, consider using these verses from Romans as "prayer prompts" as you pray for other members of the body:

Rom 1:8 - Thank God for their faith.

Rom 15:5-6 - Pray that you and the rest of the church would live in harmony with this member.

Rom 15:13 - Pray that God would fill them with joy and peace and hope.

Rom 15:31 - Pray for them in the face of persecution (ridicule, being ostracized, etc)

Rom 15:31 - Pray that their service to the church would find favor in the eyes of other believers and be appreciated

Rom 15:32 - Pray that if it be the Lord's will, they would be able to gather with the church and find joy and refreshment from Christian fellowship

Rom 15:33 - Pray that the God of peace would help this member to live in peace with other members of the body.

As a church, let's seek to be faithful in praying for one another in the coming year. On our church calendar, there is one family each day to pray for. Whether they are sick or not, pray faithfully for other members of the body and thank God for them.

\*If you find Paul's prayers a helpful prayer guide, a complete list of Paul's prayers can be found here:

<https://christcentred.wordpress.com/2013/03/12/all-theprayers-of-paul/>. This list is taken from D.A. Carson's Book "A Call to Spiritual Reformation: Priorities from Paul and His Prayers" Pastor Landon

