

January/February 2011

NORTHSIDE

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From the Pastor

Let the redeemed of the Lord say so...

Psalm 107:2

What are the things that you are excited about? What are the things you are known for? Believers in Christ have the most to be thankful for, the most to share, and the most to say about the things of God, and yet, too many times, we are silent when it comes to our relationship with God. Many times in our lives we look inward towards our own situation and circumstances. We become so concerned about our own lives that we miss out on an opportunity to experience God working in our midst. The Psalmist encourages believers to speak out about what the Lord has done and to communicate to others the saving grace of Jesus Christ. Too often in life, we allow our thoughts to be consumed by the trivial. We tend to focus on the mundane and often the unlikely. We might even go so far as to allow ourselves to role play in our heads about fantasies that will never happen. We

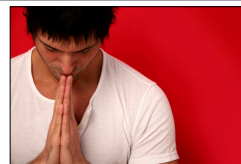
often waste so much energy on the ludicrous and, more times than not, it steals our attention and our energies from more spiritually pressing and important matters. As this New Year begins, I pray that you would follow the Psalmist's encouragement of Christianity and speak out about God's goodness and faithfulness to the people around you. I am not talking about judging or meddling in other's lives, but about seeking the lost and showing them the love of Christ by witnessing to them and praying for them. Grow in such a way that your heart and mind will not rest because their soul is not going to heaven, but to hell. Grow in your walk with the Lord so that you would allow the Holy Spirit to work in your life to have a burden for the lost. May the Lord be with all of you in this New Year; may His grace shine upon you; may His protection overshadow you; may His love strengthen you; may His peace rest upon you in all that you face in 2011.

In His Service,

Pastor Wes

Newsletter Notes

Beginning with this issue, the Northside newsletter will be delivered on a bi-monthly schedule. The format of the newsletter has increased to four pages. Announcements of scheduled events need to be forwarded to the church office by the 20th of the following months: February, April, June, August, October, and December.



Praying for our Pastor

Have you committed to any new year resolutions? As a church family, let us commit to regularly lifting Bro. Wes and Bro. Jody up in prayer. To aid in your prayers, there will be a sheet of scripture-based prayers available at the welcome center or in each adult Sunday school class.

From the Youth Pastor's Desk

The Power of ONE

God sent His **ONE** and only Son into this world to die on a cross to be mankind's **ONE HOPE**. It is His desire that His children have **ONE FOCUS**; His Son Jesus. He is to be our reference point. As God's children, we form **ONE BODY**; the body of Christ. We are to be united in Spirit with **ONE PURPOSE** in mind; to submit to **ONE LORD**...Jesus Christ. We are to be a people with **ONE MISSION** on our heart. That mission is to allow the Holy Spirit to work in and through our lives to glorify the Lord Jesus Christ in any way He sees fit.

God can accomplish great things through the power of **ONE** individual totally sold out to Him. We have but **ONE** life to give, and we must desire to make it count. As we acknowledge He is our **ONE HOPE**, commit to **ONE PURPOSE**, serve and protect **ONE BODY**, dedicate our-

selves to **ONE FOCUS**, submit to **ONE LORD** and actively engage in **ONE MISSION**, we will begin to understand the dynamic power of **ONE . . . THE ONE!**

ONE is the theme for our 2011 DiscipleNow, and Kevin Kirkland will be our speaker. Those of you who went to Alto Frio camp with us in `09 will remember him! The Chris Clayton Band will lead out in worship. This year's area-wide DNOW will kick off on Thursday, February 17, at West Conroe. Early bird cost is \$35; you sign up and pay by January 19. Regular registration is \$40 `til February 2 and after that date the cost is \$50.

If you would like to host a home for this weekend event, please contact me soon.

Thank you, and God bless!!!

-Bro Jody-
Ephesians 4:4-6

Children's Corner

Gifts! As we are coming out of this Christmas season and entering this New Year, I am still thinking about *gifts* and the joy we feel in giving and receiving them. Every year at Christmas, we hustle and bustle to find that perfect *gift* for our loved ones. We look for that expression on their face that shows how excited they are when they open their *gift*. I always enjoy imagining how Mary must have felt at Jesus' birth when she held God's perfect *Gift* in her arms for the first time. The joy and wonder of a new mother counting her baby's fingers and toes and kissing His little nose along with the awe of knowing that she held her Messiah in her arms. The wonder that God sent our salvation wrapped in baby laughter. We remember the birth of our children, grandchildren, the birth of nieces and nephews, and the birth of the other children in our lives with that same joy. Children are such special treasures, *gifts* to us from God, and He has given us such an important responsibility to train them up for Him. Whether your children are still young, teens, or already grown, I would like to encourage you to join in training the children of Northside Baptist Church. Plans for VBS are soon to be underway and positions of ministry are available in AWANA as well. If you haven't already found your place in the children's ministry at Northside, will you prayerfully consider how you can invest in the lives of the children around us, so we can train up these *gifts* from God to love and serve Him?

Train up a child in the way he should go, And when he is old he will not depart from it.
Proverbs 22:6

Tera Dudley, Children's Director

Wednesday Evenings



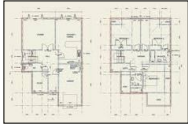
Adult Bible Study/LifeServe will resume on January 5.

Overflow (Youth) will resume on January 5.

Awana (boys and girls, 3 years old through the 6th grade) will resume on January 12.



Teas Road Property Building Presentation Sunday, January 30



Church-wide luncheon following the morning service.

We will meet in the sanctuary at 1:30 p.m. for a presentation by our architect, Mark Todd.

All members are encouraged to attend.

Upcoming Ministry Events

Women's Ministry

**"Girls Night Out"
Movie Night
in
February**

**Spring Cleaning
Celebration
in
May**

Men's Ministry

**March Madness
Fellowship
Monday,
April 4**

**Golf Tournament
in
Late May**

More details to follow.

THANK YOU

To Ray Findley for mowing at our property on Teas Road.



50 Days of Prayer & Partnership January 9 - February 27, 2011

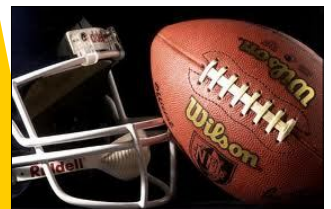
Every year we place an emphasis on world missions during the months of January and February. Our 50 Days of Prayer & Partnership campaign will begin next Sunday. You can pick up a prayer calendar with pictures and information about all our foreign and North American missionaries that our missions department supports, and then join with us in praying for one of these missionaries each day during the 50 day campaign.

We will receive a special World Missions Offering on February 27.

Super Bowl Tailgate Fellowship Sunday, February 6

Tailgating begins at 4:00 p.m.

We will be showing the game on two big screens—one outside and one in the fellowship hall.



There will be a praise and worship service during halftime.

Bring your favorite "game day" food, lawn chairs, and

INVITE YOUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS.

December Statistics

SS High Attendance	125
SS Average	120
Worship High Attendance	186
Worship Average	161

Welcome
New Members

By Letter

Bill Oatman
Wanda Oatman

Happy January Birthdays

Naoma Birkner	1/1	Margie Hill	1/11
Mitch Hill	1/1	Linda Heuermann	1/13
Clarissa Longor	1/3	Alma Underwood	1/20
George Park	1/3	Casey Toppel	1/22
Linda Carraway	1/4	Andrew Davila	1/25
Sarah Stewart	1/4	Arlen Hammock	1/27
Teresa Davis	1/5	Zach Shirley	1/27
Imogene Tadsen	1/6	Blake Barringer	1/28
Tim Kellerman	1/7	Jeannie Walker	1/28
Ray Stafford	1/7	Judy Morris	1/29
Janie Johnson	1/10	Marie Barringer	1/30

Change in delivery of *Baptist Progress*

Baptist Progress is a publication of the BMA of Texas, distributed twice a month, to promote interest in missions, evangelism, benevolence, and Christian education among the churches of the BMA of Texas.

To help reduce monthly expenses, individual subscriptions are no longer delivered to church families home addresses. The two most recent publications will be available at the welcome center for anyone to pick up.

Happy February Birthdays

Macy Clevenger	2/2	Tina Westra	2/20
Jason Clevenger	2/3	Travis Jones	2/23
Ken Perkins	2/6	Matlock Perkins	2/23
John Porter	2/6	Dot Stafford	2/23
Jordan Crim	2/9	Lynelle Teas	2/23
Dixie Onderdonk	2/12	Jody Westra	2/24
Robert Robinson	2/16	Chyrl Shoemaker	2/26
John Stephens	2/18		

Scriptures to Memorize

January

Deuteronomy 7:9

Deuteronomy 10:12-13

I John 1:12-13

Romans 11:33-36

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February

Psalm 56:3-4

Psalm 62:5-7

Romans 8:1

I John 2:15-17

If you would like to receive your monthly newsletter via e-mail, please forward your email address to:

secretary@northsideconroe.com



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Worship Times

Sunday

Sunday School	9:45 a.m.
Worship	10:50 a.m.
W. M. A.	5:00 p.m.
Auxiliaries	5:00 p.m.
Evening Worship	6:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Awana	6:30 p.m.
Overflow (Youth Services)	6:30 p.m.
Evening Service	6:30 p.m.

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