

# Remember Our Sick

Patsy Wisbrock – Had a stint put in this past week.  
 Earl Whitted – Still waiting on results of ultrasound and stress test.  
 Melinda Robbins – Meeting with doctor to determine when to start radiation.  
 Carolyn Bennett – Having knee problems. Swelling and and in lots of pain.  
 Joyce Briscoe – Had orthoscopic surgery on knee and is doing much better.

## Shut-ins – need prayers and visits:

### Legacy Heights:

Bonnie Vinson – Room #34  
 Juanita Whitted – Room #62  
 Norma Tate Jones – Room #44

### Russellville Nsg & Rehab:

Joe Miller -Room #317

## Others Who Need Our Prayers:

Carl Adkisson, Daisy Anderson, Amie Barkley, Sandra Boatright, Donna Chambers, Jamie Churchill, Jim Clark, Rachel Curtis, Eugene Davis, Johnny Estes, Colton Hale, Leota Hickey, Rose Lee, Letson family, Daniel Loper, Jan Loveless, Jeff/Connie Myers, Becky Miller, Kaeli Miller, Kim Miller, Julie Moss, Klaus Mullins, Glen/Paulette Oakes, Jerry Pruitt, KaLee Robbins, Kathryn Rosalez, Gene Smith, Meg Standridge, Matt Stepanovich, Michael Tindall, Joan Vance, Jon Vance, Justin Vaughn and Joyce Walters.

Expectant Mothers: Carlee Schmitt      Kaylan Corbin  
 Jessica Walters      Ashlee Leavell  
 Danielle Hayes

Military: Pray for our service men and women

Eric Richardson

D J Bandy – Joan Vance's grandson is back from Afghanistan.

# MEETING TIMES

<p><b>Sunday Morning Bible Classes</b>  <b>9:45 A.M.</b>  <b>Sunday Morning Worship</b>  <b>10:45 A.M.</b>  <b>Sunday Evening Worship</b>  <b>6:00 P.M.</b>  <b>Ladies Tuesday Bible Class</b>  <b>10:00 A.M.</b>  <b>Wednesday Bible Classes</b>  <b>6:30 P.M.</b>  <b>Minister: Micah Williams</b>  <b>Church Office: 479-331-3428</b>  <b>Office Hours: M-F 9:00a-1:00p</b>  <b>Micah Cell: 479-264-9244</b>  <b>Secretary Cell: 479-747-0908</b></p>	<p><b>Elders:</b>  <b>Allen Veasman</b>  <b>331-2156</b>  <b>Sid Womack</b>  <b>967-2367</b>  <b>Chris Loper</b>  <b>331-3313</b></p> <p><b>Deacons:</b>  <b>Chris Besterfeldt</b>  <b>Donny Forehand</b>  <b>Brent Hottinger</b>  <b>Rex McDaniel</b>  <b>Chris Moss</b>  <b>Michael Robbins</b></p>
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*December 24th, 2017*

Sunday A.M.  
 Announcer: Randall Walters  
 Song Leader: Merrell Shoptaw  
 Prayers  
     Chris Loper  
     Donny Forehand  
 Communion  
 Podium: Sid Womack  
 Serve: Chris Moss  
     Corey Hottinger  
     Earl Stamps  
     Gary Williams  
 Scripture Reading  
     Earl Whitted  
 Shut-Ins  
     Marion Helton

Sunday P.M.  
 Prayers  
     Earl Stamps  
     Marion Helton

*December 31st, 2017*

Sunday A.M.  
 Announcer: Randall Walters  
 Song Leader: Merrell Shoptaw  
 Prayers  
     Gary Williams  
     Mark Wimbush  
 Communion  
 Podium: Sid Womack  
 Serve: Marion Helton  
     Justin Vaughn  
     Kevin Nordin  
     Larry Mahan  
 Scripture Reading  
     Donny Forehand  
 Shut-Ins  
     Donny Forehand

Sunday P.M.  
 Prayers  
     Merrell Shoptaw  
     Michael Robbins



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## Evidence for God in Christ's Incarnation and Resurrection

Christians believe that the God who created everything loves us so much that he became human to show us who he is, what his will for us is, and how to have a relationship with him (Hebrews 1:1-3). Jesus of Nazareth was that human. How do we know that? "God testified to it [salvation through Jesus' deity] by signs, wonders, and various miracles" (Hebrews 2:4).

First of all, Jesus' mother, Mary, was a virgin when he was born. "She was found to be pregnant through the Holy Spirit" and "what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit" (Matthew 1:18-25).

Secondly, when Jesus began his ministry, he did miracles that only a supernatural, all-powerful God could do. A few examples are: turning water into fine wine (John 2:1-11), controlling weather and walking on water (Mark 4:39; Matthew 14:25), paralytics walking (Matthew 9:1-8), the blind seeing, the mute speaking (Matthew 9:27-33), and many kinds of illnesses and diseases completely and instantly healed (Matthew 9:35). The most unnatural and powerful of all the miracles was raising the dead. Not only did Jesus rise from the dead, but he also raised Lazarus (John 11), a dead girl (Matthew 9:18-25), a widow's only son (Luke 7:11-15), and others (Matthew 27:50-53).

The purpose of all of these supernatural miracles was to prove that God the Creator did, in fact, become human in the person of Jesus. God's ultimate proof of that was Jesus' bodily resurrection. After his resurrection, Jesus was seen by more than 500 people (1 Corinthians 15:3-8). His resurrection started the Christian movement which has changed the world by changing people's lives through Jesus' teachings and his power working in us.

Christianity is unique among world religions in that God the Creator reached out to mankind by sharing in our humanity, becoming human (Hebrews 2:14), solving our sin problem, and

showing us how to have a relationship with Him now and eternally. God in the flesh never sinned, though as a human he was capable of sinning (Hebrews 4:15). Jesus, the Son of God, died for our sins so we can be reconciled to God. Jesus' sinless life and his death, burial, and resurrection prove his deity (Acts 1:3).

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## Lifelines by Patty McAlister

We are so blessed! I'm sure many of you could name numerous blessings. I want to tell you why we are so blessed at this time of year. We are unsure of the exact day Jesus was born, but we do know he was born. We know He walked on this earth, teaching and healing. We also know He died a cruel death for our sins. Best of all, we know He was resurrected from this death and is in heaven watching over us. He will return for us!

How do we know all of this? We are blessed to have the Holy Bible at our finger tips. We need to take advantage of this because not everyone is blessed as we are. Through these Scriptures we learn how to obtain our salvation.

Many of the prophets spoke of these things but didn't know who, when or where they would occur. 1 Peter 1:10-12 says, "This salvation was something the prophets did not fully understand. Though they wrote about it, they had many questions as to what it could all mean. They wondered what the Spirit of Christ within was talking about, for He told them to write down the events which, since then, have happened to Christ; his suffering, and His great glory afterwards. And, they wondered when and to whom all of this would happen; they were finally told that these things would not occur during their lifetime, but long years later, during yours. And now at last this Good News has been plainly announced to all of us. It was preached to us in the power of the same heaven-sent Holy Spirit who spoke to them, and it is all so strange and wonderful that even the angels in heaven would give a great deal to know more about it." (The Living Bible)

Isaiah 53:1-12 tells us that He would be despised and rejected, He bore our sorrows, and was wounded and bruised for our sins. He was oppressed and He was afflicted, yet never said a word. He was buried like a criminal in a rich man's grave, but He had done no wrong.

In Daniel's interpretation of Nebuchadnezzar's dream, he foretold the kingdom of God, the church. "God of heaven will set up a kingdom that will never be destroyed – the church, the body of Christ." (Daniel 2:31-45)

The prophets told us of these things, obeying God through the Holy Spirit, but were really in the dark! What does this mean? When will this happen and who will it happen to? Through their great faith and obedience, they wrote these things.

This is why we are so blessed to be living in these last days. We are blessed because we believe even though we haven't seen any of it. We have the written word. Quoting 1 Peter 1:3, "You love Him even though you have never seen Him; though not seeing Him, you trust Him, and even now you are happy with inexpressible joy that comes from heaven itself. And your further reward for trusting Him will be the salvation of your souls." Salvation for our souls, what better blessing could there be?

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### *Upcoming Events:*

*Next Elders, Deacons and Minister meeting  
January 7<sup>th</sup> after evening service.*

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*Next Men's business meeting will be January 8<sup>th</sup> at 7  
p.m.*

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*Next Ladies' Night will January 18<sup>th</sup> in the  
fellowship hall at 6:30 p.m.*

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### **DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

- 01 *Rhonda Horton*  
*Libby Widner*
- 02 *LeighAnne*  
*Forehand*
- 06 *Presley Williams*
- 10 *Paige Davis*
- 13 *Rhonda Lambert*
- 14 *Preston Nordin*
- 21 *Jamie Churchill*  
*Doreen Shinn*
- 22 *Alaynna*  
*Williams*  
*Mark Wimbush*
- 23 *Jamie Statler*
- 24 *Cara Williams*
- 25 *Amanda*  
*Besterfeldt*
- 26 *Rachael*  
*Robinson*  
*Addie Stamps*  
*Sonia Williams*
- 27 *Jeanne Mahan*  
*Jessica Walters*  
*Talvin Leavell*
- 28 *Kinsleigh Collins*
- 31 *Sierra Murphy*

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**RUSS BUS**  
**items needed this**  
**week:**  
**Fruit cups and Pop**  
**Tarts**

We want to  
welcome Sandra  
Walker to the  
family.

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No Tuesday  
morning Ladies'  
class on December  
26<sup>th</sup> and January  
2<sup>nd</sup>. Class will  
resume December  
9<sup>th</sup>.

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No Lifelines for the  
week of 12/31.  
Office will be closed  
12/25 through  
12/29.

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Everyone have a  
Merry Christmas  
and a Happy  
New Year. Look  
forward to a  
blessed 2018 for  
all of us!!