

Kimberlin *Chronicle*

KIMBERLIN CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH
JANUARY 2020 NEWSLETTER

Dear Church Family,

As I write these words it is one week before Christmas and only two before the commencement of a new year. Right now, it is not so much “sugarplums dancing in my head” as it is the thoughts of a new calendar and all that comes with it.

And what a new set of dates it is...it is the beginning of A.D. 2020. What just a few years ago sounded like science fiction or the far-distant future is now arriving at our doorsteps!

I suspect that in the coming weeks we will see comparisons with our new year and the eye term 20/20. We will be encouraged, I suspect, to look at our finances, health, etc. with 20/20 vision.

Important as these areas of our lives are, there is still one that is far more vital, and that is our daily walk with Jesus Christ. As the scriptures remind us, we must “fix our eyes on Jesus.”

What does 20/20 vision look like in our spiritual lives? Just as we go to the optometrist from time to time to evaluate our physical sight, I encourage all of us to reevaluate our relationship with Jesus Christ.

In our spiritual assessment we must look at every area of our lives in Christ and see how we are doing at “growing in grace” (II Peter 3:18). Let me propose some basic questions for all of us—including me—to ask:

1. How has my life changed since I began my walk with Christ?
2. How do I sense Christ’s presence in my life today?
3. What needs to change in my life so that I can grow closer to Christ?
4. How can I help a brother or sister in Christ in their journey with Christ?
5. What can I do to strengthen the life and witness of our congregation?

Asking these questions is only the beginning. From there we are called to pray and ask for the Lord’s guidance in making course adjustments in the journey so that we can grow closer to Him.

In 2020, it is my desire that we will truly have 20/20 vision by asking tough questions in our spiritual walk as we seek to be more like Him daily. I believe that God is calling us to lives of 20/20 vision and that we as a Church must place focus on discipleship.

As Christians we get very excited about new people coming to the Lord—and we should! But accepting Christ is not the end of the journey, we are ALL called to grow in the Lord. I want us to get equally excited about helping one another to truly become disciples of Christ. How can we help others—and ourselves—to grow in the Lord’s grace?

In 2020, I will be talking about and asking about what we as a congregation can do to strengthen our discipleship in the Lord. Let’s begin this path by asking the foundational questions that I have just shared so that we all might truly have **20/20 VISION in 2020**.

In Christ’s Love,
Pastor Tim.

Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith.
Hebrews 12:2



1 Timothy 4:12

Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith and in purity.

2020 is upon us! 2020 will be the year we focus on community missions and outreach. We already have a lot planned for the year. We have many opportunities for the youth to be Christ's hands and feet in our community! Be watching for all the things that 4:12 Youth Ministry will be doing in our community!

In December, the teens took up a collection and went shopping for one of the Gingerbread kids. They had a great time shopping to be able to give a foster child a good Christmas! We also went Bell Ringing on December 21st, (Our December 7th one was cancelled because of an error with the online schedule). We had a great time of Ringing the Bell and wishing those coming in and out of Walmart to have Merry Christmas!

We have several things planned for January. First, we will be having our annual New Year's lock-in on December 31st. We will have a great time of fellowship, food and fun while we ring in the New Year together! We will have our normal 1st Sunday Gathering on January 5th from 5-7pm. Then on January 18th we will be going to WinterJam in Indy. We will be moving our 3rd Sunday Gathering to January 26th, for an all-day event to go Snow Tubing! This was a really fun outing last year and we are looking forward to another great time this year!

As always, we want to thank you for all of your support, encouragement and most importantly your prayers. We are amazed as time goes by at how much these young men and women are growing; they are growing so deep in their faith and it is because of the Faith Community that surrounds them. If you haven't yet taken the time to get to know these great teens, we urge you to do so. You won't be disappointed. Grace and Peace, Pastor Tyler & Leah

Future Events

- Feb. 2nd - Scottsburg Bowling Lanes outing, 2-4 PM (all ages)
- Feb. 4th - Red Cross Blood Drive in FLC, 3-8 PM
- Feb. 6th - CCA ABMen's Quarterly mtg., Bethany Baptist, 7PM
- Feb. 8th - Valentine Dinner in FLC, 6 PM (sponsored by the youth)
- Feb. 9th - Last day to bring in canned goods for EMCC
- Feb. 11th - Shop at Aldi's in Seymour for EMCC, 9 a.m.
- Feb. 15th - Shared Blessings, 10a-2p
- Feb. 16th - Youth Fundraising Dinner in FLC (Pulled Pork), 12-1p (youth gathering to follow)
- Feb. 19th - Team Kid going to sing at a nursing home, 6:30 PM
- Feb. 22nd - Youth volunteering at CRADLE, 9 a.m.-12 PM
- Feb. 26th - Special Ash Wednesday Service, 6:30 PM
- Mar. 1st - Youth Gathering, 5-7 PM
- Mar. 6th - Movie Night, 6:00 PM
- Mar. 8th - CCA Annual Mtg. at Kent Baptist Church, 4 PM

Happy New Year! Here we are January 2020. I can hardly believe that we are now 20 years into the Y2K Era. I'm sure this January will be no different than others, with people declaring their New Year 'new me' resolutions. However, with the year being 2020 I am wondering how is our vision? When you go to the eye doctor 20/20 is the best vision you can have, if you don't have 20/20 vision the doctor has the ability to correct it to make it the best possible. Heading into the New Year how is your vision? No, I'm not talking about your physical vision but your spiritual vision. No matter how long we have walked with Christ, there comes those times when that thing called 'life' happens and sometimes it causes us to lose focus on the things that draw us closer to Christ, which in turn dims our vision of heavenly objectives. As we enter the year 2020 my prayer is that God will correct my spiritual vision, and not only mine but ours as a Church family, that we will see the need for Christ in our community and would be His hands and feet to lead souls to him. So, as we start this new year how is your spiritual vision?

Happy New Year, Perry Stainbrook

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(these times do vary)

STEWARDSHIP & ATTENDANCE

	<u>SS</u>	<u>MW</u>	<u>OFFERING</u>
Dec. 1	44	108	\$ 2,050.00
Dec. 8	46	101	\$ 3,625.00
Dec. 15	47	119	\$ 2,725.00
Dec. 22	49	161	\$ 2,175.00
4 Wk. Avg.	47 (-0-)	122 (-11)	

4 Wk. Total Received \$ 10,575.00

4 Wk. Total Needed \$ 13,320.00

4 Wk. Rec. Last Month \$ 10,300.00

YTD needed: \$ 56,610

YTD received: \$ 46,975

(September 1, 2019-December 22, 2019)

HAPPY NEW YEAR

TRIVIA NIGHT/CHILI COOK-OFF

This will be our second trivia night in the last few months. If you weren't there, you missed a very fun night. Mickey Hall had a lot of trivia questions prepared in several categories. I am sure this one will be just as much fun but a few twists have been added. First of all it will be held on Saturday, January 25th at 6:00 PM. As the last time, there is a maximum of 6 allowed for each team but you don't have to have that many. Also, something new has been added to this contest... an entry fee of 1 case of canned goods per team. That would be a case of 12. But prizes this time will include the team with the most canned goods donated, most correct answers and the best decorated table.

Now to the Chili Cook-off. Everyone is invited to join in this contest this year too. We will be eating and voting on the best chili at the beginning of the evening. But they will announce the winner at the end of the evening when all the trivia winners are announced. So, men and ladies prepare your best chili recipe and bring it with you that evening. Please, no names on the chili pot so no one knows who they are voting for. There will be a prize for the best chili too.

Just so everyone understands, you don't have to be on a trivia team or make a pot of chili to join in on this fun night. All you have to do is show up. If you have any questions about any of this, please see Mickey Hall, Chr. of CoMBaT.



If you haven't checked out the church bulletin board, there is a sign-up sheet for the youth-sponsored Luau/Not-so-newlywed game night. It will be held on Saturday, February 8th at 6:00 PM. The cost is just \$5.00 per person to cover the cost of the food. Everyone is invited to attend. If you haven't attended before you are missing a fun night of laughter & fellowship.



Do you like to play basketball? If so, the gym is open on Thursday nights from 6:30-8:30 PM. Come and join us for a fun way to exercise and fellowship. It is open to everyone of all ages, men, boys, women or girls.

EDNA MARTIN CHRISTIAN CENTER

For over 50 years we have joined with our Sister Churches in the Coffee Creek Baptist Association to fill the Food Pantry at The Edna Martin Christian Center in Indianapolis. This year won't be any different! During the month of January, we will again pit the Women against the Men to reach our church-wide goal of 4,500 items! This seems like an astronomical amount, but for the past several years we have gotten very close! Let's work together to reach this goal! Also, the Board of Christian Ministry will be deciding at the January meeting as to what the losing team will have to do this year! You don't want to be on the losing side! Let us work together for this great ministry!



On Wednesday, January 22, 2020, at 6:30 PM, we will have a special service. Kyle and/or Debbie Witmer will be here to speak to us about their missionary work in Thailand. A love offering will also be taken to go towards their expenses as missionaries. Everyone is invited to attend. Any questions about this, ask Pastor Tim.

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

1	Carell & Barbara Braden, 1961
1	Stephen & Tonia Spicer, 2008
2	Laura Bowling, Lila Craig
3	George & Trudy Blair, 1964
5	Ben Julian
6	Dennis Zollman, Asher James
7	Keith Shaw
9	Andrea Blevins
10	Mary Basham, Jace Kelley
11	Bob Calder, Jennifer Bryant
12	Hazel West, Carla Gross,
17	Josh Riley, Parker Eldridge, Ady Melton
18	Dorothy Gray
19	Jim & Pat Berna, 1980
20	Taren James
21	Mickey Hall
22	Edna Grubaugh, Chris Bowling
24	Sean Gregg, Donnie Towne
25	John & Rebecca Sims, 2003
26	Jim Fields, David Gibson
27	Preston Craig
29	Larry Fletcher
30	Angie Lewis, Jason Hines
31	Mary Williams

We are starting a brand new year and I want to make sure that I have everyone's birthday & anniversary on this page. If you don't think I have yours on here, please let me know. Judy P.

Wednesday Night Family Meals

The Wednesday night family meals are open to everyone. It costs just \$1.00 per person (to help cover the cost of the entrée). We ask that you bring an item to share from the lists below or check the Sunday bulletin. If you would like to prepare the entrée for one Wednesday night, please sign up on the sheet on the desk in the small fellowship hall.

JANUARY 1 - HAPPY NEW YEAR (NO MEAL)

JANUARY 9 - Chicken Ring Sandwiches (Lisa Bridgewater)
Macaroni & Cheese, Baked Beans, Green Salad, Dessert, Drinks

JANUARY 15 - Pizza Chicken/Hot Dogs (Judy Peacock)
Green Beans, Salads, Garlic Bread/Bread Sticks, Dessert, Drinks

JANUARY 22 - Pulled Pork BBQ (Amanda Hurt)
Buns, Cole Slaw, Potato Salad, Baked Beans, Chips, Dessert, Drinks

JANUARY 29 - TBA
Dessert, Drinks

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ATTENDANCE

	<u>Adults</u>	<u>Youth</u>	<u>Team Kid</u>	<u>Totals</u>
12/04	15	11	21	47
12/11	19	10	19	48
12/18	6	9	32	47
11/25	<u>No Services: Christmas Day</u>			
Avg.	13	10	24	47
Last Month				
Avg.	17	8	15	40