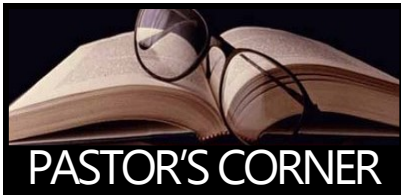




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*"And she shall bring forth a Son,
and thou shalt call His name Jesus,
for He shall save His people
from their sins." Matthew 1:21*

We are now heading into the Christmas time of year, a beautiful time for many families. Getting together with loved ones to remember what Christ has done for us, and to express our love for each other through gift giving is a pretty amazing time. There is wonderful beauty to the way we end our year.

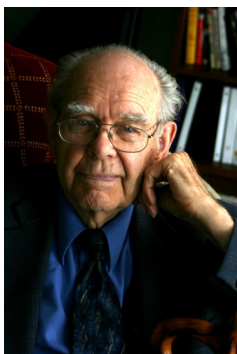
There are also some things about Christmas that are not so pretty. We say that Jesus is the reason for the season, and I agree. But why is Jesus the reason for the season? Why did Jesus come as a babe in Bethlehem's probably ugly manger? The angel told Joseph in a dream, "and thou shalt call His name Jesus, for He shall save His people from their sins," and that's the very reason He came.

Sin is ugly! There's nothing very nice about it, and the Bible tells us in Romans 3:23 that we all got it, and that's not good. But before you say that the pastor is off his rocker and the snowflakes of December are not attached because he's talking about the ugliness of sin at Christmas, think on this. The real beauty of Christmas is not an amazing tree, or pristine snow on the mountains. The real beauty is to understand the ugliness Jesus cures and cleanses.

Pastor Mike

Welcome to New Members

We want to extend the warmest welcome to some new members who recently joined our fellowship:



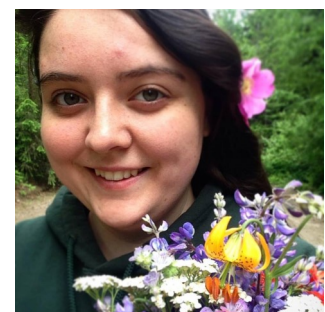
Vern Shafer



Melissa Klicker



Darla Peterson



Heidi Reinecke

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Beth Blackwood
- 2 Larry Reinecke
- 3 Lucy Garcia
- 7 Jim Ferrell
- 8 Sharon Schoonover
- 9 Glenn Blackwood
- 9 Laila Gonzalez
- 10 Shorna Haubry
- 11 Joani Burnett
- 14 Luke Louderback
- 15 Jeffrey Haubry
- 15 Joey Heagy
- 17 Larry Duffield
- 20 Roy Dennis
- 20 Sammie Luvenc
- 21 Ben Bishop
- 21 Carol Lea Gill
- 22 Geri King
- 24 Michael Parman
- 25 Don Casey
- 26 Tiegan Allen
- 27 Sherri Brown
- 28 Mary Ella Johnson

December Anniversaries

- 16 Jim and Chris James
- 17 John IV and Lana Ash
- 18 John and Sharon Metcalf
- 19 Bob and Elaine Egbert
- 21 Don and Mary Casey
- 24 Allen and Tomi Hornberger
- 25 Joe and Lucy Garcia
- 26 Stan and Debbie Christensen