

**FROM THE PASTOR**  
**PRAYER WALKING**

It is down right cold outside and hard to get out and do anything. Some of you enjoy walking for exercise, and some of you may have made a new year's resolution to begin walking to build strength, lose weight, and feel better. But when the temperatures are near or below freezing, it is difficult to get out and go for that walk.

The church building is a great location to come walk. The hallway wraps around the building and to make a complete loop around the inside of the building is 324 feet. That means that if you walk 17 laps in the hallway you will have completed a mile. Walking around in a circle inside may not sound exciting, but it is flat, safe, warm, and dry.

One way to add to your walk is to pray. This is called prayer walking, so that as you walk, you pray for certain people or events. I would like to challenge you to come prayer walk in the hallway and pray for each Sunday School class, the worship services, visitors, and so much more. Everything we do needs to be bathed in prayer, and prayer walking gives you an outlet to pray for God's blessings. Prayer guides will be available for you to help you as you prayer walk. And once the weather improves, the prayer walking can move outside to the parking lot.

The building will be available Mondays through Fridays from 9:00-3:00. I hope to see you here exercising your heart physically and spiritually.

**Welcome Center Volunteers**

**Weekly Schedule**

<b>Sunday:</b>	9:30am Sunday School 10:30am Morning Worship Service 5-7pm AWANA 5:00pm Discipleship 6:00pm Evening Worship	<b>Wednesday:</b>	7:00pm Adult Bible Study Youth Worship RA's, GA's, & Mission Friends
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**Welcome Center Volunteers**

<b>February 4th:</b>	Carolyn Cranfield Eileen Elliott Virginia Hickerson
<b>February 11th:</b>	Barbara Taylor Diane Yarbrough Doris Graves
<b>February 18th:</b>	Janice Harper Kay Taylor Sheila Williams
<b>February 25th:</b>	Joe & Ruth Ethridge Linda Tilley

**January**

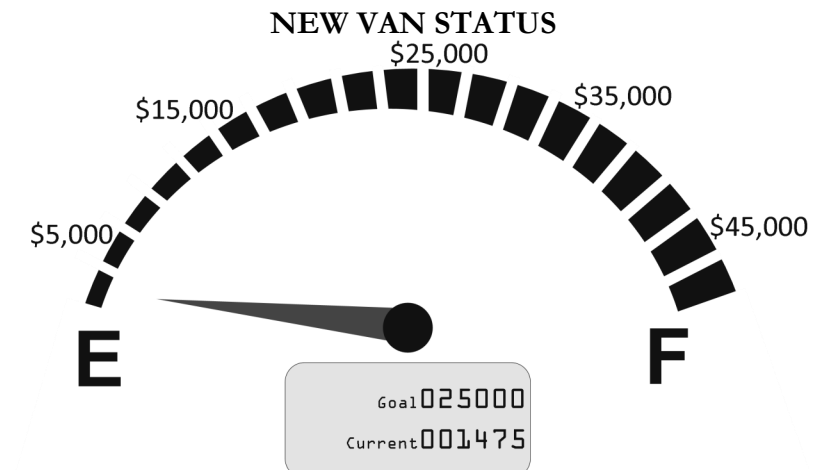
Average Sunday School Attendance for January	115
Proposed Monthly Budget Needs	\$13,686
Budget Received for December	\$32,758

**BUDGET RECEIVED FOR THE YEAR**  
 (through 13 of 52 weeks of our budget year)

Proposed Budget	\$ 83,275
Received	\$ 100,679

**Church Staff**

Pastor.....Dr. Chris Alexander	Chairman of Deacons.....Ronald Williams
Minister of Music.... Jim Criswell	Minister of Youth..... Sarah Campbell
Pianist.....Ruth Ann Davis	Secretary.....Demetra Hickerson



- 1) Pray for the coordinator and all the drivers and riders.
- 2) Ask God if He would use you to be a part of the van ministry.
- 3) Ask God if He would like to use you once a month to help with this valuable ministry.
- 4) Pray to God about how much you should support financially toward the purchase of a van. Since the old van is worn down and needs to be replaced, we need your assistance to help us with this purchase. As you pray, let the Lord impress upon your heart how much you should give to help this ministry reach more people for Christ. Our first goal to reach is \$25,000. Once we achieve that goal, then the new van committee can determine what to do next. As you can see from the gas gauge in this article, we still have a long way to go. We need you.



Serving Him,  
  
 Brother Chris



**SINGING IN WORSHIP**

Many worship leaders around the world today are changing their church's worship into a spectator event and people are not singing any more. Imagine a worship service without music! Prior to the Reformation, worship was largely done for the people. The music was performed by professional musicians and was sung in Latin. The Reformation gave worship back to the people including congregational singing which employs simple, attainable tunes with solid, scriptural lyrics in the language of the people. Worship once again became participatory. With the new video technologies this led to more powerful congregation singing, but soon a shift in worship leadership began to move back to pre-reformation spectators. We are now breeding a culture of spectators in our churches, changing what should be participative worship environment to a concert event known as "concert" worship. Many years ago Phyllis and I attended a worship service at a large church (5,000) in Colorado Springs. We felt as if we were at a Rock Concert with all the sparkling lights, mirror balls, and dancing.

I say all this to remind you that congregational singing is a way for you to worship and praise God. I encourage you to truly worship God week by week by participating in singing the songs He implanted in your heart. What joy you will experience!

Try it! You will like it!

Praising God all the day long,

Bro. Jim



The lovely snow that we had last month has kind of put us a little behind here at WHBC children's ministry. We are gearing back up to get Awana back in full swing. The Sparks 1 and 2 and cubbies are learning by leaps and bounds. It is a joy to be able to have these little fellows come in on Sunday night and one at a time tell us the Bible verse they've learned for that week. The TNT and Trek groups are digging in deep to understand and use God's word in their lives.

Ms. Darlene and the Bible drillers are also putting in some extra time to make up for missed practices but she and the kids are doing a phenomenal job. We will start collecting Easter eggs AND CANDY for our community Easter on February 25. It will be here before we know it. Our children at White Hall are truly a blessing to all of us and we invite everyone to join us for Sunday School, Awana and Wednesday night service and bring your children so that they can join in learning about God and His blessings.



Well, our youth had to postpone their lock in because of snow and ice but we eventually had it and it was FUN!!!! The youth are working hard already to prepare for our summer mission trip. We will be having our annual Valentine Fund raiser Banquet on Sunday night February 11. Join us for fun, food, fellowship. Also we are taking orders for T-shirts, and will be selling White Hall cookbooks. If you have a recipe you would like to include please write it down and put it in the box in the foyer or if you want to order a shirt please contact our office or me. Youth 2 has been studying Basic Training on Sunday Mornings, Youth 1 is studying how media influences our walk with Christ and all youth are studying Crimes in the Bible on Wednesday nights and solving who, why, where, and when sin entered these people's lives and how easily it can enter our lives. All the youth are digging into the Bible to learn more about following in Jesus' footsteps. Let's keep them in our prayers and lead by example. ...or maybe be led by pier example.

Ms. Sarah

List of future events:

February 4th @ 2pm Harlan Morris

February 4th @ 4pm Deacons Meeting

February 7th @ 7pm Business meeting

February 8th @ 6:30pm GBA Cornbread & Bean Dinner @ New Hope

February 11th @ 5pm Valentine's Banquet—Youth Mission Trip Fund Raiser

February 13th @ 1:30pm New Missions and Ministry Meeting

February 14th @ 1pm Harlan Morris

February 14th @ 7pm Missions Night

February 18th @ 2pm Holiday House

February 21st @ 7pm Bible Study

February 28th @ Recipes for Cookbook due

February 28th @ 7pm Bible Study

February 28th @6pm Pinewood Derby @ Salem

**Chronological Bible-in-a-Year Reading Schedule**

- Feb 1: Ex 7-9
- Feb 2: Ex 10-12
- Feb 3: Ex 13-15
- Feb 4: Ex 16-18
- Feb 5: Ex 19-21
- Feb 6: Ex 22-24
- Feb 7: Ex 25-27
- Feb 8: Ex 28-29
- Feb 9: Ex 30-32
- Feb 10: Ex 33-35
- Feb 11: Ex 36-38
- Feb 12: Ex 39-40
- Feb 13: Lev 1-4
- Feb 14: Lev 5-7
- Feb 15: Lev 8-10
- Feb 16: Lev 11-13
- Feb 17: Lev 14-15
- Feb 18: Lev 16-18
- Feb 19: Lev 19-21
- Feb 20: Lev 22-23
- Feb 21: Lev 24-25
- Feb 22: Lev 26-27
- Feb 23: Num 1-2
- Feb 24: Num 3-4
- Feb 25: Num 5-6
- Feb 26: Num 7
- Feb 27: Num 8-10
- Feb 28/29: Num 11-13



**YOUTH FUNDRAISERS FOR MISSION TRIP**

T-shirts—See bulletin board for specifics

Small to XLarge \$16 each (add \$1 for each size larger)

Sign up sheet on bulletin board, see Sarah or contact church office

Payment is due at the time of ordering

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**Church Wide Cookbook**

Looking for your favorite recipe or one that was a favorite of a former member

Email recipes to [bkmercerc@tennesseetel.net](mailto:bkmercerc@tennesseetel.net)

Or place recipes in box in foyer