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SUNDAY **Morning Worship** 9 am

> **Bible Class** 10 am

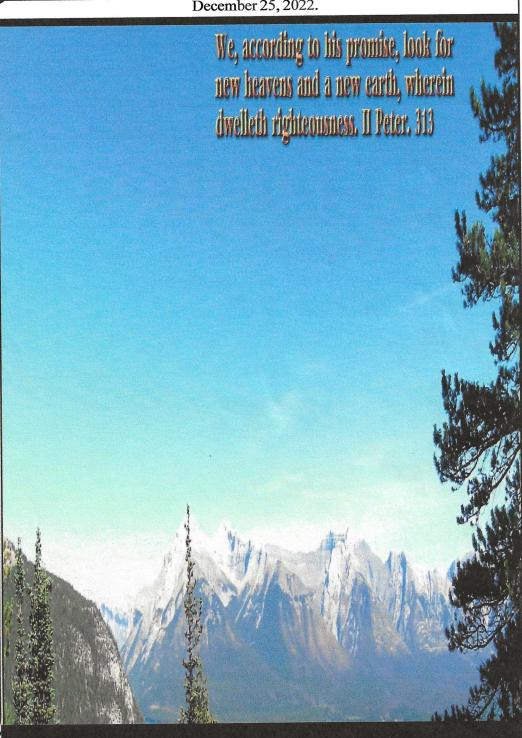
Singing 4:30-5:00 **Evening Worship** 5 pm

WEDNESDAY Midweek Bible Class 7 pm

Ladies Bible Class **Tuesday Mornings**



December 25, 2022.



Prayer List

Gereta Semanec Ronnie McNew Liz Matthews Genna Doughtry **Jerry Collins** :Mary Mulloy **Tony Chenault** Callen Rowland Steve Barry Roger Noland Heather Freeman Sue Taylor Benny & Becky West Lee & Loretta Ridling Valerie Skinner (cancer) Pam Watters Ronnie Hill Rosetta Chenault Pam Faulkner Becky Zimmerman Doug Chenault Carolyn Cody Kenny Starr **Linda Graves** April Mahan Ted & Em Whittington Willie Faye Mahan Melissa Freeman

Brookridge Cove Virgie Bond

Marlene Pearson Aileen Guinn

> **Military** Clint Alvey

Good morning and welcome. Merry Christmas! Hope you read this story and come to appreciate all the twists and turns of life. God is blessing us.

Once there were three trees on a hill in the woods. They were discussing their hopes and dreams when the first tree said, "Someday I hope to be a treasure chest. I could be filled with gold, silver, and precious gems. I could be decorated with intricate carving and everyone would see the beauty." The second tree said, "Someday I will be a mighty ship. I will take kings and queens across the waters and sail to the corners of the world. Everyone will feel safe in me because of the strength of my hull." The third tree said, "I want to grow to be the tallest and straightest tree in the forest. People will see me on top of the hill and look up to my branches and think of the heavens and God and how close to them I am reaching. I will be the greatest tree of all time and people will always remember me."

After a few years of praying that their dreams would come true, three woodsmen came upon the trees. When one came to the first tree he said, "This looks like a strong tree. I think I should be able to sell the wood to a carpenter," and he began cutting it down. The tree was happy, because he knew that the carpenter would make him into a treasure chest. At the second tree a woodsman said, "This looks like a strong tree, I should be able to sell it to the shipyard." The second tree was happy because he knew he was on his way to becoming a mighty ship. When the woodsmen came upon the third tree, the tree was frightened because he knew that if they cut him down his dreams would not come true. One of the woodsmen said, "I don't need anything special from my tree, so I'll take this one," and he cut it down.

When the first tree arrived at the carpenter's, he was made into a feed box for animals. He was then placed in a barn and filled with hay. This was not at all what he had prayed for. The second tree was cut and made into a small fishing boat. His dreams of being a mighty ship and carrying kings had come to an end. The third tree was cut into large pieces and left alone in the dark.

The years went by, and the trees forgot about their dreams. Then one day, a man and woman came to the barn. The woman gave birth, and the couple placed the baby in the hay in the feed box that was made from the first tree. The man wished that he could have made a crib for the baby, but this manger would have to do. The tree could feel the importance of this event and knew that it had held the greatest treasure of all time.

Years later, a group of men got in the fishing boat made from the second tree. One of them was tired and went to sleep. While they were out on the water, a great storm arose, and the tree didn't think it was strong enough to keep the men safe. The men woke the sleeping man, and he stood and said "Peace" and the storm stopped. The tree then knew that it had carried the King of Kings in its boat.

Finally, someone came and got the third tree. It was carried through the streets as the people mocked the man who was carrying it. When they came to a stop, the man was nailed to the tree and raised in the air to die at the top of a hill. When Sunday came, the tree realized that it was strong enough to stand at the top of the hill & be as close to God as was possible, because Jesus had been crucified on it.

The meaning of this story is that when things don't seem to be going your way, always know that God has a plan for you. If you trust Him, He will bless you. Each of the trees got what they wanted, just not in the way they had imagined.

UPCOMING EVENTS

December 31- New Years Eve Fellowship in the annex, 7 pm to Midnight, Please bring board games and finger foods.

January 8 - Men's Business Meeting after evening worship service

Reminder

Tuesday morning Ladies Bible Class will not meet again until January 3, weather permitting

January 20-22 - Y.O.U at R & C.

Deadline to enter is December 31 - Sign up with shirt size on bulletin board

March 31- April 2- River Valley Youth Ralley

More info later - See Geoffrey

Reminder - Check your mail box!

DECENBER

				1 Carolyn Cody	2	3 Clinton Sebourn
4	5 Theresa Chapman David Petroff	6	7	8	9	10
11	12 Melissa Freeman	13	14	15	16 Geoffrey & Angel Bane Sandra Holman	.7 Cindy Ellis
18	19 Carrie Leggett	20	21 Julian & Midge Reynolds	22 *Ron & Gereta Semanek	23 Linda McNew	24 Curtis & Elaine Rickett
25 Marion Chenault	26	27 Lavonne Chism	28 Betty Joslin	29 Perry Guinn Brylee Hammett Lia Lawson	30	31

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Men To Serve

December 25 a.m.

Announcements

Charles Camp

Singing

Geoffrey Bane

Preaching AM & PM

Mickey Burleson

Opening Prayer

Matt Prysock

Scripture Reading

Drake McCoy

Lord's Table

David Petroff

Ron Semanek

Olen Hill

Roger Young

Closing Prayer

Jamie McCoy

Singing 4:30-5:00

Charles Lovelace

Opening Payer Arnold Edwards

Closing Prayer - Geoffrey Bane

Security- Jeremy Lawson

Wed. evening Devo - Charles Lovelace

Security - Micley Burleson

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January 1, 23 a.m.

Announcements

Ron Semanek

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Geoffrey Bane

Preaching A.m. & PM

Mickey Burleson

Opening Prayer

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