

# The Current



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## Keith's Korner

### The Year of Jubilee – Hitting the Reset Button



Beginning in January 2020, Boiling Springs Baptist can benefit from time spent around the Old Testament theme of Jubilee. The Year of Jubilee was God's big 'Reset' button – it was the 'Reboot' in the system, the 'Ctrl-Alt-Del' in the universe.

Jubilee is the Sabbath of Sabbaths. In Leviticus 25 (I'm sure this book is part of your regular devotional reading, LOL) we learn of the significance of Jubilee. It follows a cycle of 7 Sabbath years. We are familiar with a weekly Sabbath (7<sup>th</sup> day) and may have heard of the significance of the Sabbath year being the Sabbatical year. After 7 Sabbatical years (49 years) one has great reason to pause and reset the clock as it were. This 50-year time span roughly acknowledges the span of a generation. Themes of rest and forgiveness permeate in the year of Jubilee! Jubilee is announced and begins on the annual day of atonement in that 50<sup>th</sup> year. Atonement cleanses the temple and community, making room for a fresh start. Let's pray for one another as we seek to experience a fresh start in 2020.

### **Boiling Springs Baptist Lenten Devotional Project for 2020**

As we make plans and look forward to Easter 2020, would you be interested in writing a devotional to be included in a 40-day Lenten devotional guide?

April 12, 2020 (Easter) is a few months away, but now is the time to prepare for what has the potential to be a very meaningful and inspirational project for our church family. What if Boiling Springs Baptist and some of our extended family and friends were to read the same devotions for 40 days leading up to Easter? What if these 40 devotions were written by individuals we all know?

Lent is the season before Easter lasting 40 days, not counting Sundays. It is a time to reflect and remember our relationship with God. This time presents an opportunity for us to focus and draw closer to our Lord as we move ever closer to the cross and the empty tomb.

A sign-up sheet with daily scriptures and instructions for writing can be found outside of my (Pastor Keith's) office. If you are willing to write a devotional you are encouraged to sign up soon. **ALL DEVOTIONALS WILL NEED TO BE IN THE CHURCH OFFICE BY FRIDAY JANUARY 31** (by email or a paper copy) to ensure adequate time for proofing and compilation. Individuals have been enlisted to help with grammar and the work of compiling these into a nice devotional booklet.



**\*BSBC family CARES and we are here for each other in our walk of grief.**

**January Meeting:  
Jan. 15**

5:30 p.m. in the  
Willing Workers Sunday School  
Classroom on the north side of  
education building  
*If questions, please contact  
Connie Goforth Greene or  
Diane Rabon or call the church*

**UNDECORATE CHURCH**

Mon., January 6, 2020  
9:30am

***Please Come Help!!!***

**ALL REGULAR  
ACTIVITIES BEGIN ON  
Wed., January 8, 2020  
including**

**Fellowship Meals**

**Remembrance Brunch  
for Widows and Widowers**

**Sat., January 11, 2020  
11:00am in  
Fellowship Hall**

*Please remember to RSVP  
to church office.*

**WINTER 2020  
6-WEEK SPIRITUAL  
GROWTH CLASS**

Dr. June Hobbs  
**"Let's Talk about  
Mortality"**

BEGINS Sunday,  
January 12, 2020 at  
5:00pm in the FH

**BAPTIST MEN'S DAY  
SUN., JANUARY 19, 2020**

**Morning Worship**  
*Bluegrass Group  
Men's Quartet  
Testimonies*

**DON'T MISS IT!**

**From our Associate Pastor for Music & Adults...**

**Music Ministry News**

Welcome to 2020! Can you believe we are entering a new decade of the 21<sup>st</sup> century?!? I know, I know, only old (or should I say mature?) people say things like that; but, seriously it seems like only yesterday we were just beginning to make Boiling Springs our home. It has been just over three years since we moved here and it seems like just yesterday we were unpacking boxes. But then when I think about it again, it seems like so much has happened in just three years. We have made so many new and lasting friendships, have shared with you in ministry in all kinds of ways, and have had several fun and fulfilling times of various outings and musical events. I am looking forward to what a new year in a new decade has in store for us.

In the short term, I would like to remind you of the January Adult Luncheon, which is scheduled for Tuesday, January 28 at 12:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. That day we will have the Boiling Springs Baptist Church Adult Chili Cook-Off! There will be fun and prizes, as well as lots of food! Everyone is encouraged to make his/her favorite chili. We will also need side items like crackers, cornbread, sour cream, cheese, chips, dip, etc. And dessert---don't forget dessert! Please let me know what you plan to bring. We also need you to sign-up, which will help us with planning for the day. Please call the church office no later than Tuesday, January 21.

**Let's Talk about Mortality**

We live in a culture in which entire industries promote the idea that people can be ageless and that death can be put off indefinitely. The result is a culture in which people have no idea how to live successfully to the very end of life on this earth. In this class, we will begin with a Death Café, discuss physician Atul Gawande's provocative book *Being Mortal: Medicine and What Happens in the End*, and explore the issue of how Christians should regard their mortal bodies and what to do with them after death.

Dr. June Hobbs, the facilitator for this class, has for many years taught a successful seminar at Gardner-Webb University called Death in American Culture. She is also a member of a collaborative research team sponsored by the Louisville Institute that is involved in a three-year project titled "A Practical Theology of Corpse Care."

This study will be offered for six Sunday nights at 5:00 pm beginning January 12. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall. Childcare will be provided.



Real progress has been made as the church library closes out another year. Books have been ordered and processed, verification of our collection has been completed, and the children's area has a fresh coat of paint. The task remains to purge the catalog of unwanted records. This will be an on-going, time-consuming task. A special "thank you" to Thom Bates, Jim Blalock, Susan Guffey, Diane Rabon and Delores White for their interest and hands-on help this past year. Also, thanks to Betty Holland who continues to donate appropriate hardback adult fiction books to our collection. Our goal for 2020 will be programming. In Luke 11:9 & 10, Jesus says to ask...receive, seek...find, and knock...open. Our church library is rich in resources to compliment Biblical teachings. Come ask, seek and find.

## A Message from Our Youth Minister...

Happy New Year! Mary and I want to take our space here to send a message: thank you. It sounds simple and perhaps understated, but all we can say is thank you. The last four years at Boiling Springs Baptist have been truly special for us. This church has been such a huge part of our lives and our journey through Divinity School. We are truly sad that this time is coming to an end. You all have entrusted us to teach and lead the students of the church, you have entrusted us enough to ordain both of us into ministry, and you have entrusted us as members of the church and staff. Boiling Springs is a special place and we truly will miss it.

Many of you have shared cards, gifts, and words over the last few weeks and each one has been special. We have been consistently overwhelmed by the love we have received since announcing our leaving. This church is truly special and has so much opportunity for growth. Our genuine desire is to see the church move in a direction that glorifies God and promotes loving community. We have a true love for Boiling Springs Baptist and we hope to see this growth in the future!

For those who do not know, Mary and I are moving closer to both of our families in the Winston-Salem/Lexington/Greensboro area. Parts of our near future are unknown but we certainly will keep Boiling Springs in the loop as parts of our lives unfold in the coming months. We are always available through social media, e-mail and phone. Both of us are on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter and I am listing our personal e-mails below. Our phone numbers might be changing once we move but we will make sure to give those out to those who want it. Finally, please keep in touch. We hold no ill will towards this church as a whole and we want to remain a part of this church and community forever, even if we are not geographically together. We desire to be a part of your lives and we welcome you to be a part of ours. We will greatly miss students, families, and friends but we are excited to create new memories in new ways with you all moving forward.

Mary and I both share fandom of a rock band who ends their live shows the same way each time: Be good, be good to each other, and may God bless you all. Remember, it's never goodbye, it's only until next time.

With love, always,

Reverends Mary and Alan Newcomb

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## Preschool and Children...

I will praise You forever for what You have done....I will put my hope in Your name, for it is good. Psalm 52:9



Have you ever been told to “count your blessings?” Have you ever done it? Do you know what it means? Counting your blessings is simply remembering, listing, and counting all of the wonderful things God has done for you. When we do, as Psalm 52:9 tells us, we remember to praise God for those things. We remember why we put hope in Him.

So when your hope is weak, when it seems like there is little to hope for, take a look back at all the things He has done in your life. Count your blessings! Say thank you! And remember that there's a whole lot of good reasons why you put hope in Him.

Reflections of **hope** from visitors to our church:

*“Thank you for helping me with gas to get home!”*

*“Thank you for the coat, boots and socks so that my brother and I can walk when we need to buy groceries.”*

*“Thank you for filling shoe boxes for my children.”*

*“Thank you, Boiling Springs Baptist, for hearing my cry for help...not for me but for the grandchildren I am trying to raise. I don't have a tree but because of your love my grandchildren have presents that would not have been there for them on Christmas morning! My granddaughter will have surprises on Christmas where there would not have been any! You gave me joy and hope that there is someone who cares and shares without question! God is good! He is awesome! He heard me and sent you! Thank you.”*

*“Thank you for being there for me when I most needed it. My family is struggling and you were there with prayer and support! Your door was open and your hearts were giving! We can begin the new year knowing that you are there if we need help. God is good!”*

Our church is a place of hope for so many! A place they know they are loved and can see love and care when they may need it the most! A place where they see hope when there may be little. A place where there are hugs, love and prayer! A place that cares for their neighbors!

Thank you God, for giving us Hope!

## Church News...

It is with a bit of sadness, and a whole lot of happiness, that I write this. After working here for 30 years, as one of your secretaries, I am looking forward to retiring on February 21, 2020. I am going to miss all of you, whom I see on a regular basis, within the church family, but I am so excited to finally be able to spend more time with my grandchildren and get to do a few things that "I want to do." I will still be around since I haven't completed all the history projects that I've wanted to accomplish; *I just won't be sitting behind the desk!* Thank you to all of you whom I have talked with, laughed with, cried with, and worshiped with. I love every one of you, and that part of my ministry here will never change. I was not a 'Minister' here, but I do believe that this "church job" has been a sweet and meaningful ministry within me; I firmly believe that God called me to be a servant alongside you, and help you along the way - with church matters. You are my friends, you are my family, and I will never forget you as long as I live. So many memories are stored in my heart.

Thank you for accepting and loving me. I love you all. Betsy Beason

*What a special blessing the many cards and notes have been. We miss you all so much! Thank you for remembering us!* Roger and Susan Gaddis

Dear Church Friends,  
Thank you so much for the Christmas cards and thank you, Christmas carolers, for coming to our home and bringing joy.

Georgia & Malcolm Cline

*Thank you for the Christmas cards from church friends who wrote to me recently. God has blessed me through your love and encouragement.*

Zelma Whitney

**Committee Members 2020-2022 List** was handed out to the congregation on Sun., Jan. 5, 2020. If you did not receive a copy, you may pick up a copy on the table outside the church office.

**NOTE To ALL Committees: PLEASE** meet with your committee to discuss the upcoming year's plans and choose a chair person by **MID-FEBRUARY**. We have a form for each committee to fill out with names, phone numbers, and emails, so please come by the church office before your meeting.

***Thank you for the generous Staff Christmas offering you gave during the holidays. We are so thankful for your support and kindness, and wish to express our greatest appreciation to all who have given. We have also loved all the little gifts we have received in the office, and value your friendship and love.***

### INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS OFFERING:

Lottie Moon Total: \$3,062.81 CBF Global Missions Total: \$4,421.44

### SUNDAY SCHOOL:

#### Attendance in December 2019

Dec 1	162
Dec 8	177
Dec 15	187
Dec 22	170
Dec 29	151

### FINANCIAL INFO FOR DECEMBER 2019

Dec 1	\$ 14,031.00
Dec 8	\$ 17,732.00
Dec 15	\$ 9,599.00
Dec 22	\$ 27,003.00
Dec 29	\$ 12,375.00

**Basic Weekly Budget  
Needs: 12,190.47**

## Heartfelt Christian Sympathy to

...the family and friends of

**Bob Blackburn**

**Betty Price**

*Mother of Eddy Price*

## JANUARY NURSERY

### JAN 5

Anna Whitaker,  
Brooke Workman  
Kacie & Jim Martin

### Jan 12

Justin & Stephanie Webb  
Heather & Russell Voyles

### Jan 19

Bill & Julie Daves  
Wesley & Ashley Russ  
Seth & Ashley Callahan

### Jan 26

Cliff & Gail Hamrick  
Ben & Anna McDaniel

## JANUARY 2020 WELCOME COMMITTEE

Bob & Caroline Hunt  
(North side of building)

Mike & Melissa Davis  
(South side of building)

## Happy Birthday

### TO OUR JANUARY 80's AND OVER

Brenda Hamrick	07
Bobbie Frye	08
Heyward White	18
Geraldine Humphries	22
Pat Kelly	25
Alice Greene	29



# Boiling Springs

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**To receive information  
and/or  
reminders through text,  
text BSBC to 95577**

Forms are available in  
sanctuary vestibule and outside  
church office to register to  
receive emails and texts from  
the church.

### Weekly Schedule

#### Sundays

7:45 AM Men's Bible Study  
9:15 Coffee & Fellowship  
9:30 Men's Bible Study  
9:45 Sunday School  
10:55 Morning Worship  
4:00PM Ladies Bible Study  
5:00 Bible Study

#### Mondays

5:30PM Handbells

#### Tuesdays

1:00PM Staff Meeting

#### Wednesdays

11:00AM Prayer Meeting /  
Bible Study

5:00PM \*C.A.R.E. Teams

5:00-5:15 Take-out Meals

5:15-6:00 Fellowship Meal

5:30-7:00 Youth

5:50-6:00 Prayer Time in FH

6:00-6:30 Adult Bible Study

6:00-7:00 Women's Bible Study

6:00-6:30 Children's Choirs

6:30-7:00 Mission Friends, GAS, RAS

7:00 Sanctuary Choir

#### Thursday

6:45AM Youth Prayer Breakfast

5:00PM \*C Team CARE

(first Thurs. after first Wed.)

Thank You!

**For REMEMBERING Your Monthly  
Food Closet Donations & Back-  
Pack Donations! Thank you for  
helping feed the hungry in our  
community & BS Elementary :**

**Continuous Food Pantry Needs:**

Pop-Tarts, cereal, canned fruit, canned meat

**Back-Pack Needs:**

**(Packing 72 bags per week)**

**Applesauce Cups, Pudding Cups**

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#### Newsletter Information

All information for this publication needs  
to be submitted by the **20<sup>th</sup> of each  
month** so it can be mailed before the first  
day of the upcoming month.

**THANK YOU** to all who help get the  
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each month. Your service is greatly  
appreciated!

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**\*REGULAR SUNDAY  
ACTIVITIES**

*(SPECIAL Activities  
listed on Calendar)*

7:45 Men's Bible Study  
9:00 Prayer in Prayer Rm  
9:15 Coffee & Fellowship  
9:30 Men's Bible Study  
9:45 Sunday School  
10:55 Morning Worship  
4:00 Ladies Bible Study  
5:00 Winter Spiritual  
Growth

**\*REGULAR  
WEDNESDAY  
ACTIVITIES**

*(SPECIAL Activities  
listed on Calendar)*

11:00 Prayer/Bible Study  
5:00 CARE Ministry  
5:00-5:15 Take Out Meal  
pick up  
5:15-6:00 Fellowship Meal  
5:30-7:00 Youth  
5:50-6 Prayer Time - FH  
6-7:00 Women's Bible  
Study  
6-6:30 Music Friends (4&5)  
Children's Choirs (gr1-5)  
6:30-7:00 Mission Friends  
(4&5)  
GAs, RAs (gr 1-5)  
6:00-7:00 Men's Bible  
Study (every other week)  
7-8:00 Adult Choir

**FELLOWSHIP  
MEAL LEADERS:**

Jan 1: NO Supper  
Jan 8: B.Greene,  
T.Greene, A.Greene  
Jan 15: M&J Lutz,  
J&H Dobbins  
Jan 22: B Greene,  
B Walton, J&A Hamrick  
Jan 29: B Greene, J Lutz,  
T Greene, J Hamrick

**PLEASE SEE REGULAR SUN & WED  
ACTIVITIES Listed in Sidebar to LEFT**

# JANUARY 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 11:00 Prayer/Bible Study NO Fellowship Meal NO Children's Activities 6:00 Prayer/Bible Study 6:00 Adult Choir	2  5:00 C Team (CARE)	3	4
5 <b>*Regular Activities</b>	6 9:30 Undecorate Church 5:30 Handbells 7:00 Scouts in FH	7 1:00 Staff Meeting 7:00 Scouts	8 <b>REGULAR WEDNESDAY ACTIVITIES BEGIN</b>  11:00 Prayer/Bible St. 5:00 A Team – CARE <b>Fellowship Meal &amp; Activities</b>	9	10	11  11:00 Remembrance Brunch in FH
12 <b>*Regular Activities</b>  5:00 Winter Spiritual Growth BEGINS "Mortality" Class with Dr. June Hobbs	13  10:00 Dorothy Edwards Bible Study 5:30 Handbells 5:30 Prayer Shawl 6:30 Deacons 7:00 Scouts	14  1:00 Staff Meeting 6:00 DAR in Kerygma 7:00 Scouts	15 <b>*Regular Activities</b>  11:00 Prayer/Bible Study 5:00 R Team – CARE <b>Fellowship Meal &amp; Activities</b> 5:30 GriefCare	16	17	18
19 BAPTIST MEN'S DAY <b>*Regular Activities</b>  AM Worship Blue Grass, Quartet, Testimonies 5:00 Mortality Class	20  5:30 Handbells 6:30-8 Deacon Training in Kerygma NO Scouts	21  1:00 Staff Meeting 2:00 WMU Prayer Gr. 7:00 Scouts	22 <b>*Regular Activities</b>  11:00 Prayer/Bible Study 5:00 E Team – CARE <b>Fellowship Meal &amp; Activities</b>	23	24	25
26 <b>*Regular Activities</b>  5:00 Mortality Class	27  5:30 Handbells 7:00 Scouts	28  12:30 Adult Lunch Adult Chili Cook-Off	29 <b>*Regular Activities</b>  11:00 Prayer/Bible Study <b>Fellowship Meal &amp; Activities</b>	30	31	

**FELLOWSHIP MEALS:**

**JAN 1  
NO Supper**

**JAN 8**  
Lasagna  
Salad  
French Bread

**JAN 15**  
Salisbury Steak  
Green Beans  
Mashed Potatoes  
Rolls

**JAN 22**  
BBQ Chicken  
Baked Beans  
Corn  
Biscuit

**JAN 29**  
Pork Chops  
Rice  
Green Peas  
Rolls