

# Family Life

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## Tune's Notes

Merry Christmas to you all!

Next Sunday, of course, will be New Year's Day and I want to put in a suggestion for that day; that each of us begin, on that day, to be

daily Bible readers.

Every year we print a daily Bible reading schedule in our bulletin calendar. This past year we also placed it on our web site calendar *and* added a short daily commentary to our web site keyed to the first chapter in that day's reading.

This year, I have designed a modified chronological reading of the Bible for our schedule. Some books will serve as our historical guides through the Bible. We will read those historical books and, at the appropriate time, we will read the other books which were written at their place in history.

It will be great fun!

The schedule calls for us to read three chapters per weekday, and four chapters a day on the weekends. We will publish the schedule in our bulletin as we usually do, and it will also appear on the website calendar. AND, I will write a short comment on the second chapter of that day's reading (which you will find on the website).

For those of you who aren't "readers," might I suggest simply a chapter a day? At that rate, you will complete reading the Bible through in March of 2015, but you will also have done something else: you will have developed the habit of listening to God every day.

Nearly 300 years ago, John Wesley (whose brother Charles wrote the hymn "Christ the Lord is Risen Today" and many others) wrote the following words: "I am a creature of a day. I am a spirit come from God, and returning to God. I want to know one thing: the way to heaven. God himself has condescended to teach me the way. He has written it down in a book. Oh, give me that book! At any price give me the book of God. Let me be a man of one book."

Let us all be people of the Book – the only book that matters, the Bible.

Love you all  
Mike



## Thank You For a Great 2011!



GRACE + PEACE  
A. B. J.

## Congratulations



## Baby Shower Planned

A Baby Shower to honor newborn **Denise Haukkala** and her newborn daughter **Bonnie Renee** is planned for Jan. 22 at 4:30 pm. **Casey Waterston** is the lead hostess.



If you would like to help with this event, please contact her or **Nikki Frank**, Shower Coordinator.

## Many Thanks to the “Carolers”

Two groups of carolers brought Christmas cheer to two of our sisters. Many, many thanks go to **John Waterston** for leading the group that went to Frances Harris, including **Wayne, Jean, Cody & Noah Doran, Kevin & Janet Thie, Kelly & Kate Shumate, and John, Casey, Hank, Will & Sam Waterston.**

**Bill Kincaid** led the group that went to Lois Woods, including **Joe & Teresa Bryan, Dorothy Eckert, Lynn & Benjamin Johanson, Bill & Mary Ann Kincaid, Jim & Janet Lane, Allison, Grace, Ben & Abigail McKay, Jim Morrison & Robert, Candice & Cambrie Spiess.** A special “Thanks” goes to **Benjamin Johanson** who led several of the familiar carols. Benjamin also has led on Wednesday night!



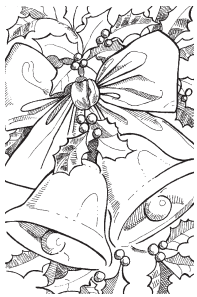
## “Orphans Sunday” Collection Total Announced

The total amount donated by Falls Church members for the **Orphans Lifeline of Hope “Orphans Sunday”** was \$1,028.

On behalf of the Elders, **Joseph Tucker**, the Chairman for this quarter, expressed appreciation to all who contributed to the collection for this Church of Christ organization which helps support thousands of children who have so little.

## Supporting U. S. Armed Forces at Christmas

**Clayton and Gina Tune** are still accepting donations for the “**Support U. S. Armed Forces**” (SUSAF) non-profit organization. **Please make out your check to Gina Tune and give it to her or Clayton by Dec. 31.**



Talk to either one about donating online. Packages will be sent out as donations come in, but all packages will be sent by Jan. 2

The SUSAF mission is to support and encourage our military and their families and to raise money to provide gift packages which will be sent to military personnel and their families all over the world. All donations are welcome and appreciated!

Two of our Elders are available after morning assembly in room 223 on the main level to meet with anyone who would like prayer for special concerns.

## Holiday Schedule

A few schedule modifications will be made for the upcoming Christmas holidays, according to **Kevin Rachel**, Elder, and **Scott Mills**, Deacon for Children’s Education.

### December 25 - Today:

- 1) A combined adult class will meet in the Fellowship Hall.
- 2) Only Cradle Roll/Nursery and the 2 & 3 year old classes will meet today. All other children’s Bible study classes through 6th grade will be combined and will meet in R. 121 (where the pantry is located).
- 3) There will be NO Children’s Worship.
- 4) There will be NO EVENING SERVICE today.

**January 1:** There will be a combined adult class in the Fellowship Hall.

## “Wednesday Night Out” on Holiday

The popular “Wednesday Night Out” dinner program **will not meet** on Dec. 28. Check the bulletin board for the sign-up sheet for the return of this program in 2012! And PLEASE add your name!!

# Winter Schedule Is Announced for Adult Classes

## Sunday Classes to Start January 8

Topic	Class/Age Group	Teacher	Room
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<b>The Supremacy of Christ</b>	<b>Adults</b>	<b>Jim Lane</b>	<b>FH</b>
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Today, there is widespread confusion about God and Christ and what is required of us by our Lord. These myriad ideas have one thing in common: They collide with what Scripture teaches. Christians in the first-century city of Colosse lived in a similar environment, and Paul's letter to the Colossian church is as timely today as it was then.

### **Navigating the Bible**

<b>&amp; Responding to God</b>	<b>Young Adults/Professionals</b>	<b>Oliver McDaniel/Mark Dawson</b>	<b>122/Library</b>
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This class is appropriate for both new Christians and for Christians seeking a way to help non-Christian friends understand how to read and study the Bible. For many, attempting to understand the Bible can be an overwhelming task. Like learning your way around a new community, it would be pretty difficult without a road map or lately GPS. This class seeks to provide that road map and to fill the gaps of knowledge with understanding. An interactive class in which inquiry is welcomed, we trace the unfolding promises of God and review a comprehensive outline of the entire Bible. We also identify and explain fundamental concepts necessary for growth as a Christian.

<b>From Malachi to Matthew</b>	<b>Women</b>	<b>Kathy Koczanski</b>	<b>123</b>
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In this class we will follow the history of the Jews from the end of the Old Testament to the beginning of the New Testament and the greater Greco-Roman world into which this history unfolds. Pharisees, Sadducees, demons, the Devil, and the idea of resurrection are just a few entities which are rarely or ever mentioned in the OT, but they are common by the time of Jesus and his disciples. We will pay particular attention to the role of women, both Jew and Gentile, slave and free, during this time period.

## Wednesday Class to Start January 11

<b>Living in an Opposing World</b>	<b>All Adults</b>	<b>Mike Tune</b>	<b>FH</b>
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"Living in an Opposing World: A Study of Ezra-Nehemiah" compares the days of Ezra and Nehemiah with our own culture: God's people were surrounded and persecuted by a culture that opposed everything they stood for, and the people found life difficult. How did they cope? How should we? That's the message of these two books.

### **Keeping Contact with Our Missionaries**

This is the time of year when we think of people we don't see very often, including the dedicated men and women whose work Falls Church supports in the mission field.

If you would like to write or send greetings cards or let them know you are thinking of and praying for them, you can find those addresses on the list on the bulletin board.



Do you want to listen to all the sermons preached at the Church of Christ in Falls Church? You can find them on our church's Sermon Blog (<http://cocfsermons.blogspot.com>). You can scan the qr code to the left with your smart phone or tablet and jump straight to the Sermon Blog. Here you can also subscribe to the Sermon Podcast which will automatically send the Sunday sermons to iTunes or your podcast reader of choice.

If you enjoyed Mike Tune's series on the Book of Revelation, all the sermons are available online at the Sermon blog (<http://cocfsermons.blogspot.com/search/label/Revelation>). You can scan the qr code to the right with your smart phone or tablet and jump straight to the Revelation sermons.



# January 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> Genesis 1-4  <b>NEW YEARS DAY HOLIDAY</b>	<b>2</b> Genesis 5-7  <b>NEW YEARS DAY HOLIDAY-Office Closed</b>	<b>3</b> Genesis 8-11  <i>Ladies Bible Class Resumes, 10:15 am; luncheon</i>	<b>4</b> Job 1-3	<b>5</b> Job 4-6	<b>6</b> Job 7-9	<b>7</b> Job 10-13  <i>Spanish Worship, 7-8:30 pm, FH</i>
<b>8</b> Job 14-17  <i>2nd Sunday Potluck Fellowship after am service</i>  <b>NO EVENING SERVICE</b>	<b>9</b> Job 18-20	<b>10</b> Job 21-23  <i>Ladies Bible Class @ 10:15 am</i>	<b>11</b> Job 24-26	<b>12</b> Job 27-29	<b>13</b> Job 30-32	<b>14</b> Job 33-36  <i>Benevolence Committee Workday</i>  <i>Spanish Worship, 7-8:30 pm, FH</i>
<b>15</b> Job 37-40  <i>URTM Parents Planning Mtg.</i>	<b>16</b> Job 41-42 Genesis 12	<b>17</b> Genesis 13-15  <i>Ladies Bible Class @ 10:15 am</i>	<b>18</b> Genesis 16-18	<b>19</b> Genesis 19-21	<b>20</b> Genesis 22-24	<b>21</b> Genesis 25-28  <i>URTM "Moe's &amp; a Movie" Night</i>  <i>Spanish Worship, 7-8:30 pm, FH</i>
<b>22</b> Genesis 29-32  <i>Baby Shower for Denise Haukkala</i>	<b>23</b> Genesis 33-35	<b>24</b> Genesis 36-38  <i>Ladies Bible Class @ 10:15 am</i>	<b>25</b> Genesis 39-41	<b>26</b> Genesis 42-44	<b>27</b> Genesis 45-47	<b>28</b> Genesis 28—Exodus 1  <i>Spanish Worship, 7-8:30 pm, FH</i>
<b>29</b> Exodus 2-5  <i>Group 3 Luncheon after am service</i>	<b>30</b> Exodus 6-8	<b>31</b> Exodus 9-11  <i>NO Ladies Bible Class Today</i>				

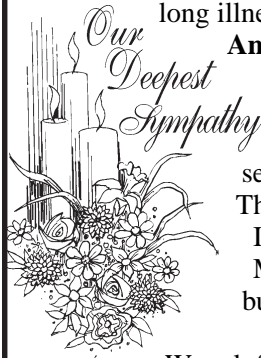
## Prayer Reminders:

Blanca Alvarez, Dot & Haldon Arnold, John Bowden, Eloise Fishback, Winnie & Desiree Flint, Ann Ford, Joe & Zula Garrett, Larry Goodrich (and his family, all of whom lost homes in wildfires), Frances & Ed Harris, Diana Kuhn, Joshua McKay, his mother Dawn & sister Molly, Alma Milligan, Lee, Mariko & Elena Price, Sylvia Sartori, Jeremy Sims, Bess Smith, Mildred Smith, Candice Spiess, Ellie & Don Thie, Barbara & Harry Thompson, Erica Walker-Chenevert, Roxie Weese, Susan Weese, Charles Welch, Lois Woods, Ken & Lesya Yeatman.



Pray  
WITH OUT  
CEASING

We express our deepest sympathy to the family of **Randall Ford** who passed away Dec. 18 after a long illness. He is survived by his wife



**Ann**; son and daughter-in-law **Randy & Jennifer Ford** and their son, **Rand**; and son **Jefferson Ford**. Funeral services were held here on Thursday, with burial Dec. 28 in Imboden, AR. Consult the Memorial Donations list on the bulletin for memorial gifts.

We ask for prayers of comfort for the family of **Evelyn (Mrs. Robert) Hislp**, 69, who passed away Dec. 20. She was the mother of our sister **Janet Thie**.

## Prayer Requests:

**Stephanie Carter**, a former member, asks for prayers as she deals with multiple challenges in her new assignment.

**Sharon Holland** was scheduled for surgery Dec. 22 to remove a rod from her collarbone. She is a former member and appreciates the prayers of this congregation.

**Augustino Olango's** back surgery went well and, although he is still in considerable discomfort, is home.

**Heather Roelke** asks for prayers for her brother, **Paul Cummings**, who has left for a deployment.

**Christina Rucker**, a friend of **Becki (May) Kerry**, continues chemotherapy for Hodgins Lymphoma and also expects to deliver her child in January at M. D. Anderson in Houston.

**Blonnie Thomas** asks for prayers for safety for her daughter **Naomi** who attends school in Rio. The police there are cracking down in some areas and there has been increased violence.

We pray for the safety of loved ones serving in dangerous locations: in Afghanistan - **Shevon Boykins-Saide**, **Chuck Kerry** [plus his wife & daughter **Becki (May) & Addison Kerry** in his absence], **Keith Pangle**, **Rolando Ruffino & Byron Zaharias**; in Iraq - **Jay Stewart & Rogelio Viera**; overseas - **Justin Cauthen**.

## Continuing Concerns

**NOTE:** To keep this list current, names will be published for three weeks then removed unless office is requested to continue.

**Sue Adams**, cancer treatments (mother of **Erin Adams**, 12/25); **Anneliese Alderman**, dementia (mother of **Rob Alderman**, 12/11);

**Sandra Arevalo**, chemotherapy, and **Doris Williams**, cancer (sister and friend of **Jose Arevalo**, 12/11);

**Leroy Auxier**, under hospice care (father of **Travis Auxier**, a friend of **Steve & Sally Dasher**, 12/18);

**Gary Allmond's** stepfather, **Paul Barcomb**, will have surgery Jan. 23; his father **Steve Allmond** is scheduled for thyroid surgery Feb. 16; and his sister and her husband, **Shanda & Jeremy Noe** are experiencing some troubles (12/25);

**David Benson**, recovering from accident (grandson of **Frances Harris**, 12/18);

**Richard Bowles' friend Sean**, making progress (12/25);

**Mary Boyce**, not doing well; **Greta Harvey & Robin McLemore**, doing well on new medications; **Darlene Walker & Angela Watson**, improving; **Vanessa Lovejoy**, cancer (friends or relatives of **Erica Walker-Chenevert**, 12/25);

**Jack Cameron**, heart disease (husband of **Renee Hoppis's** cousin **Yvonne** (12/11);

**Kimmy Campbell**, cancer has returned (friend of **Patti French**, 12/11);

**Carrie Coenen**, new diagnosis of liver cancer plus additional surgery (friend of **Fern Musteen**, 12/18);

**Tom Cooney**, still very ill (friend of **Crystal Berry**, 12/15);

**Beverly Dawson**, health problems (mother of **Mark Dawson**, 12/11);

**Danny Edmonds & his family** as they deal with his incurable cancer (Lindauer Rd. C of C in Forrest City, AR, 12/11);

**Claudia Lopez Espinoza**, thyroid cancer (sister of **Ignacio Espinoza**, 12/25);

**Kaylee Farnsworth**, much improved (3-year-old daughter of youth minister in Florida, 12/18);

**Malcolm Fentress**, chemotherapy (brother-in-law of **Paul Smith**, 12/11);

**Deloris Freeman**, now on dialysis, and **Betty Shaver**, cancer treatment (friends of **Vickie Witt**, 12/25);

**Mary Gallagher**, one more eye surgery this month (sister of **Jim Shoenhard**, 12/11);

**Joe Gantt** is doing very well in treatment for cancer (brother of **Martha Ashley**, 12/25);

**Nadine Grigsby**, stroke (mother of **Susan Smith**, 12/11);

**Helen Harris**, serious health issues, and **Ollie May**, arthritis and other issues (mother and aunt of **Benita Harris**, 12/25);

**Christine Henderson**, continuing cancer treatment, and **Roger Jones**, improving slowly (friend and father of **Heather Jones**, 12/11);

**Lynn Huff**, stroke (mother of **Billie Bohannon & Sylvia Sartori**, 12/11);

**Megan Jarrell**, starting another round of chemotherapy (cousin of **Jon Hessling**, 12/18);

**John Kline**, chemotherapy (brother of **Winnie Flint**, 12/11);

**Frances Maxwell**, cancer (mother of **Melanie Barham**, daughter-in-law of **Donna Barham**, 12/11);

**James McCollum**, serious health problems and now out of work, & **Nicole Tenorio**, recovering from accident (friend & relative of **Mary Jo Allmond**, 12/25);

**Jaden Morrow**, infant undergoing cancer treatment, and his mother **Brittney Trainor** (friends of **Angela & Rebecca Eckstone-Hayes**, 12/11);

**Lenora Pong**, more chemotherapy (friend to many, 12/11);

**Brittney Roberts**, continuing family issues (sister of **Abby Smith**, 12/25);

**Bertha Sullivan**, health issues (grandmother of **Jean Doran**, 12/11);

**Jency Taliaferro**, cancer (former member, 12/11);

**Amy Wassenberg**, bone cancer (friend of **Jose & Jackie Arevalo**, 12/25);

**Linda Weatherby**, cancer, and her husband **Joe Ramirez**, lymphoma (friends of **Anna Souza**, 12/25);

**Laurie Whiteman**, recovering from surgery (friend of **Scott & Susan Rosen**, 12/11);

**John Whalen**, quite ill (father of **Kevin Whalen**, co-worker of **Dorothy Eckert**, 12/25);

**Erin Widner**, difficult time with unborn child (daughter-in-law of **Gary & Dara Widner**, 12/25);

**Belinda Wynkoop**, serious health problems, and her mother **Aileen** (former members, 12/11).

## General Information

### For Children:

❖ An attended nursery and a nursing mother's room -- located adjacent to the Assembly Center -- are available during our assembly.

❖ For ages 2 through pre-kindergarten year, Children's Worship is conducted in rooms 223 and 221. Children are dismissed after communion.

**Recordings:** Recordings of sermons at Falls Church are available for no charge on our web site after about four days. Recordings also are available in CD format for \$5.00 and may be ordered by completing a CD order envelope located in the foyer.

### Assistive Listening System:

Personal sound receivers are available for hearing enhancement in our Assembly Center. Our ushers will be happy to supply one of these aids for your convenience upon request.

## Nursery Attendants

**December 25, 2011**

**Morning**

Ida Goetzinger  
Patty Woods

**Evening**

NO SERVICE

**January 1, 2012**

**Morning**

TBA

**Evening**

## Children's Worship

**December 25, 2011**

2/3 NO CHILDREN'S WORSHIP  
P-K TODAY

**January 1, 2012**

2/3 Heather Roelke, Candice Spiess  
P-K Gayla Keller, Misty Marshall

## Worship Today, December 25, 2011

Hymn #997	<i>O Come, All Ye Faithful (Chorus Only)</i>
Hymn #74	<i>Praise the Lord</i>
Hymn #221	<i>Jesus, Name Above All Names</i>
Prayer	Kevin Rachel
Hymn #337	<i>Hallelujah! What a Savior</i>
Communion/Collection	Scott Mills
Bible Lesson	Mike Tune
Hymn #997	<i>O Come, All Ye Faithful</i>
Announcements	Bill Kincaid
Introduction of Visitors	Grant Smith
Prayer	Grant Smith
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Song Leader	Clayton Tune
Ushers	Perry May, Joshua McKay

### THERE WILL BE NO SERVICE THIS EVENING.

December servers: Mark Dawson, Bill Furr,  
Jimmy Gallagher, Richard Gunselman and  
Beni Venkatesan

## Schedule of Services

### Sunday

Bible Classes 9:30 am  
Morning Assembly 10:30 am  
Evening Assembly 6:00 pm

**Tuesday** - Ladies Bible Class 10:15 am  
(October through April)

**Wednesday** Bible Classes 7:15 pm

**Office Hours** 9:30 am - 4:30 pm

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### Elders

Joe Bryan	Steve Dasher
Wayne Doran	Bill Kincaid
Jim Lane	Oliver McDaniel
Kevin Rachel	Joseph Tucker

### Deacons

Roberto Alvarez	Jose Arevalo
Matt Bensky	Ben Bohannon
Ignacio Espinoza	Perry May
Joshua McKay	Scott Mills
Saul Reyes	Kevin Thie
John Waterston	Ken Yeatman

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### Missionaries

Gary & Sue Babcock, Kent County, RI  
Pedro & Mireya Batres - Nicaragua  
Clarence & Pam Campbell - South County, RI  
Henry & Rosa Gutierrez - Nicaragua  
Gene & Janice Luna - WBI/Guatemala  
Deanna Meredith - Concepcion, Chile  
Omar & Tana Palafox - Leon, Mexico  
Recardo & Monica Reyes - Cuernavaca, Mex.  
Don & Esther Roarabaugh - Torrington, CT

### Staff

Mike Tune, *Pulpit Minister*  
Josh Byrd, *Youth Minister*  
Mary Ann Kincaid, *Secretary*

## Statistics

### Sunday, December 18, 2011

Bible Study	211
Morning Assembly	337
Evening Assembly	97
Contribution	\$10,424
YTD Average	\$11,400
Budget Goal	\$11,577

### Wednesday, December 21, 2011

Classes & Online	60
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**Wednesday, Dec. 28**

**Prayer - Bob Sartori**

**Song Leader - Clayton Tune**