



# *The Bunn Beacon*

## Happy New Year

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### *Points from our Pastor*

Another year has gone and a new one has begun. Every New Year brings with it people's New Year resolutions, goals, and visions. Everybody does these types of things in their own ways and within their own personalities. But with the going of one year and the coming of a new one, I believe there are three things that all of us can do to start 2009. We find these three things from the lips of Paul in Philippians 3:13-14: "Brethren, I do not regard myself as having laid hold of *it* yet; but one thing *I do*: forgetting what *lies* behind and reaching forward to what *lies* ahead, <sup>14</sup>I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus" (NASB).

Here are the three things each of us ought to do to start the New Year. Number one, *you should forget the past*. Paul said he was continually forgetting what lay behind him. That is a good word for us. All of us have a past and we all have things we are not proud of. The Devil loves to remind us of our past and to accuse us before the Father. But friend, it is time to confess and repent of any sin leaving it washed in the blood of Jesus and buried in the grave of God's forgetfulness. We cannot live in the past or it will stifle our walk with Jesus.

Number two, *you should reach for the future*. Paul said he was reaching forward to what lies ahead. We should do the same. Forgetting the past allows us to move on to the plans God has for each of us. God does have plans for you; I hope you know that. There is no child of God he does not have plans for. God has things in store for you in 2009. God wants you to reach forward in faith and to seek his will. None of us knows what the Lord has in store, but he has something and we must walk in faith and not live in fear.

Finally, number three, *you should press on with the Lord*. This speaks of our focus and our seeking the Lord's face. I can tell you one thing for sure that is God's will. It is his will for each of us to go deeper with him and to walk closer with him in 2009. This starts with Bible study, prayer and fasting, worship, attending church, and witnessing to those around us. That is what all of us are to be doing and what we are to be striving for more and more every day.

So let us forget the past, reach for the future, and press on with the Lord. Let us fall in love with him and walk with him this New Year. Let us as a church let 2009 be a great year.

Happy New Year!!

*It is a privilege being your pastor. I love each of you.*

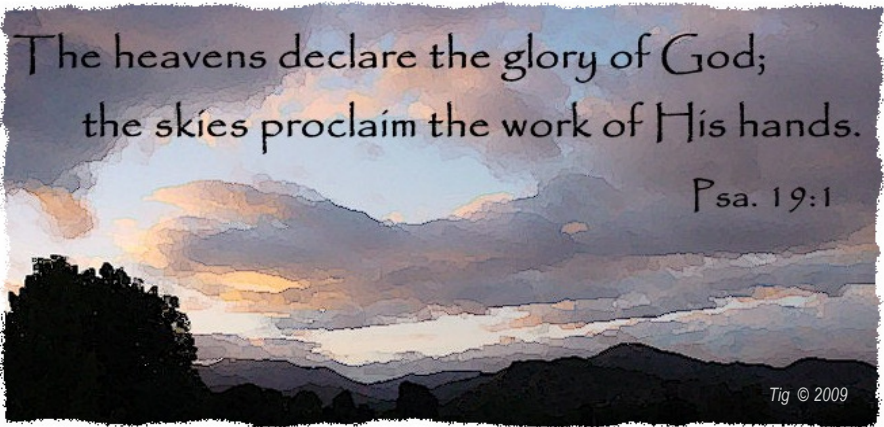
*Bro. Michael Spain Eph.6:18-20*

Remember to pray for your pastor each Sunday morning at 9:40am

## Men's Breakfast Fellowship

**Saturday - January 10 - 7am Bunn Baptist Fellowship Hall.** The men are invited to join together for breakfast and a time of fellowship. Consider bringing a friend. This month we will have a special speaker. We hope to see you there.

*John Goodwin - Men's Fellowship Leader*



### The Bunn Nursery Schedule for January 2009

**Nursery Care** is provided each Sunday from 9:45 thru the end of the morning worship service .

**Nursery Workers** listed below are in addition to the regular staff:

- January 4th - Berteen Wilder & Louise White
- January 14th - Naomi White & Michelle Young
- January 18th - Alicia Guerrant & Hazel Whitley
- January 25th - Rachel Hopper & Raye Strickland

*Editor's note: I believe this list is correct. Please check your Sunday bulletin to make sure.*

### The Bunn Children's Church Schedule for January 2009

- January 4th - Michelle Young & Arlene Pippin
- January 14th - Mary Straits & June Alford
- January 18th - Justin Bunn & Jennifer Pippin
- January 25th - Michelle Young & Arleen Pippin

### New Vision Fund Raiser Pork Roast BBQ Sale

We had a very successful day. I sold 25 pork roasts and cleared over \$455 for our New Vision Building Account. Thank you one and all for your outstanding support for the project and for Bunn Baptist Church.

*Jon Alford - New Vision BBQ Coordinator*

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## From the Bunn Baptist Library

It's a brand New Year. Let's make our 2009 resolutions with God in mind.  
You know, those BIGGIES like:

- Love God with all your heart and mind
- Love your neighbor as you do yourself
- Give freely with a willing heart
- Be knowledgeable and spread the Word
- And you can add your own resolutions to the list



Do you need a little help, a little push, a little knowledge? Visit the church library; we have books that will bring you up to speed on all these and more. Check in our library and study God's Word.

If you or someone you know needs a Bible, we have some free copies available.

*Katie Aycock, Bunn Church Librarian*

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### Speaking of New Years Resolutions

Did you ever think that we are made up of three distinct parts?

**Our Body                      Our Mind                      Our Spirit**

And all three parts have separate and very unique functions. Each one needs special care.

The Bible says our Body is the Temple of the Holy Spirit. God has giving each believer a special vessel not only for our daily routine, but for the Work of God's Kingdom He calls each of us to do.

The Bible says this about the mind: Whatever things are pure, just, noble, etc. let your mind dwell on these things. As a man thinks in his heart, so is he. What we spend our time thinking about is of vital importance to our Christian walk.

Our Spirit is eternal. Spending daily time in prayer and communion with the Lord will help us grow spiritually. One way to do that is to read one chapter in Proverbs each day. Read the chapter that corresponds with the day of the month. So on January 5th, read Chapter 5 and so on. Try it for just one month and see what rich blessing will come your way.

*Jane Goodwin - Beacon Editor*

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**The 2009 Budget Meeting** will be held immediately following the Sunday Worship Service on January 4, 2009. This is to review and approve the 2009 Bunn Baptist Budget. *Johnny Winsted*

**A New Vision Building Project Update Meeting** is coming soon. Sometime later this month, we will announce the date and time for this important meeting. *Jon Alford*

**The content of each Bunn Beacon** is derived from a number of sources and is presented as accurately as possible. We hope you find the information helpful. Email the editor if you would like to contribute an announcement or an article. *Beacon Editor*

G- GOD  
R- REWARDS  
O- OUR  
W- WORK

**1st Wed. of each month.**  
**EACH ONE REACH ONE**

**Bunn Baptist Beacon Events & Prayer Calendar - January 2009 - Seek the Lord daily**

|               |           |   |
|---------------|-----------|---|
| <b>Thurs.</b> | <b>1</b>  | <b>New Years Day 2009 - \o/ Happy New Year EVERYBODY! \o/</b>                       |
| <b>Fri.</b>   | <b>2</b>  |   |
| <b>Sat.</b>   | <b>3</b>  |   |
| <b>Sun.</b>   | <b>4</b>  | <b>Sunday School 9:45am &amp; Worship 11am - Business Meeting after</b>             |
| <b>Mon.</b>   | <b>5</b>  |   |
| <b>Tues.</b>  | <b>6</b>  |   |
| <b>Wed.</b>   | <b>7</b>  | <b>Dream Team Committee 5pm - GROW Visitation program - 6:30pm</b>                  |
| <b>Thurs.</b> | <b>8</b>  |   |
| <b>Fri.</b>   | <b>9</b>  |   |
| <b>Sat.</b>   | <b>10</b> | <b>Men's Breakfast &amp; Fellowship with Special Guest Speaker 7am - 9am</b>        |
| <b>Sun.</b>   | <b>11</b> | <b>Sunday School 9:45am &amp; Worship 11am</b>                                      |
| <b>Mon.</b>   | <b>12</b> | <b>Deacon's Meeting - 7pm</b>   |
| <b>Tues.</b>  | <b>13</b> |   |
| <b>Wed.</b>   | <b>14</b> | <b>Midweek Studies for Adult &amp; Youth - 6:30pm</b>                               |
| <b>Thurs.</b> | <b>15</b> | <b>Bunn Beacon Article Deadline</b>   |
| <b>Fri.</b>   | <b>16</b> |   |
| <b>Sat.</b>   | <b>17</b> |   |
| <b>Sun.</b>   | <b>18</b> | <b>Sunday School 9:45am &amp; Worship 11am - Staff Meeting at Spain House after</b> |
| <b>Mon.</b>   | <b>19</b> |   |
| <b>Tues.</b>  | <b>20</b> | <b>Presidential Inauguration 2009 - Washington DC - Pray for our New Leaders</b>    |
| <b>Wed.</b>   | <b>21</b> | <b>Midweek Studies for Adult &amp; Youth - 6:30pm</b>                               |
| <b>Thurs.</b> | <b>22</b> |   |
| <b>Fri.</b>   | <b>23</b> |   |
| <b>Sat.</b>   | <b>24</b> |   |
| <b>Sun.</b>   | <b>25</b> | <b>Sunday School 9:45am &amp; Worship 11am</b>                                      |
| <b>Mon.</b>   | <b>26</b> |   |
| <b>Tues.</b>  | <b>27</b> |   |
| <b>Wed.</b>   | <b>28</b> | <b>Midweek Studies for Adult &amp; Youth - 6:30pm</b>                               |
| <b>Thurs.</b> | <b>29</b> |   |
| <b>Fri.</b>   | <b>30</b> |   |
| <b>Sat.</b>   | <b>31</b> |   |

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