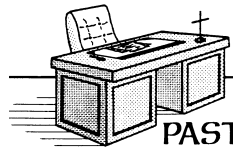


# THE GOOD NEWS BULLETIN OF WELLSVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH

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WELLSVILLE, KANSAS  
AMERICAN BAPTIST CHURCH



FROM THE  
PASTOR'S DESK

## HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!

Are you ready for the new year 2009?

Maybe the better question would be:

Are you ready to open the floodgates?!?

Lloyd John Ogilvie wrote in his gospel commentary titled Life As It Was Meant To Be that ...

*"We are all over our heads with problems we can't solve and people's needs we can't meet. I find that imagining my mind, emotions and will as a channel through which the Holy Spirit can move freely. He will infuse thoughts beyond my understanding and love beyond my capability. True freedom comes when we know that He will be punctual with exactly what's needed in each situation! But He will NOT flow through us unless we open the floodgates!"*

Would YOU be daring enough to trust God in all that's coming for YOU in the 2009 year?!?

Remember the great lyrics of Isaac Watts!  
*O God our help in ages past, our hope for years to come!*

*Our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home!*

*Under the shadow of Thy throne, still may we dwell secure!*

*Sufficient is Thine arm alone, and our defense is sure!*

*Before the hills in order stood, or earth received her frame*

*From everlasting Thou art God, to endless years the same.*

Join me in opening the floodgates in 2009 so that the living Lord Jesus Christ can have His way with me. See you in church January 4th!  
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P.S. Join us in either the 8:30 or 10:50 service on January 11th as we thank God for our newly elected WBC lay leaders. All new and returning committee/board members are asked to be present for both services.

## ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

Sunday, January 25, 2009  
1:00 P.M.

The Annual Business Meeting will follow a fellowship covered dish lunch in the Fellowship Hall. During this meeting, we will look at the state of the church and our future. During this meeting, we will also hear an update from our Pastor Search Committee.

CHAIRMEN & GROUP LEADERS of 2008, your reports are due in the church office by Sunday, January 18th.

### COME AS YOU ARE!

You are not too bad to come in and you are not too good to stay out! Join us at either our 8:30 A.M. or 10:50 A.M. Worship Services



## WE NEED YOUR HELP

We are looking for volunteers to help mow our grass once a week this summer. We will reimburse for gas. If you are interested, contact Brett Kyle (785-418-3736) for more information.

## VACATION TIME

Jan will be on vacation from December 26th until January 2nd. She will return to her duties on Monday, January 5th. While she is gone, Pastor Roger, Heather and Earline McGinnis will be in charge of the office.



## CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

The church office will be closed on Friday, December 26th and Friday, January 2nd. Regular hours will resume on Monday, January 5th.



## INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

On Sunday, January 11th, we will have special services of installation for the officers that were elected during our Business Meeting in October. All those elected to positions on a board or committee as well as those who are returning to boards and committees are asked to make a special effort to attend.

## LADIES' BIBLE STUDY



The Ladies' Bible Study will resume on Tuesday, January 6th at 9:15 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

This meeting will be a pot-luck breakfast and members can pick up their new book, Miracles of Christ by David Jeremiah.

Anyone who is interested in joining this study, let Pam Sharp know and she'll make sure you get a copy of the book.

## TEEN NEW YEAR'S EVE BASH



The Teen New Year's Eve Bash will start at 6:00 p.m. on New Year's Eve and will end at 2:00 a.m. During the evening the teens

will travel to Power Play in Shawnee for games and snacks. Cost for the evening will be \$30.00 per person. Contact Heather for more details.



One Sunday, Pastor Roger preached a sermon "Who Cares?" In my life as a young person a lot of people cared, my parents, my aunts and uncles. But outside my family, two people left an impression on my life.

John Hart was my foreman at Kansas Power and Light. He was an older man and a gentle man. He cared about other's welfare and believed in being fair. I spent 8 years as a foreman. I pray I was half the person he was.

Another man was Lucky Hostetter. He owned the hardware store in Wellsville. On Saturday, my parents, brothers and sister, would go to town to sell produce and buy supplies. We boys would head to the hardware store to buy BB's. Lucky always met us at the front and would say, "Hello, gentlemen."

We would look at one another, laugh and say, "We're not gentlemen. We are just kids."

Lucky was a great Christian. He always shook hands with all of the youngsters in church. He made me feel I was just as important as any grownup. He would say, "Friend, we are going to spend a million years in heaven together."

Now you know why I try to shake hands with every young person in church, because they are just as important to God as any grown up.

God be with you,  
Kenny Coffman



## Bridal Shower



Sunday, January 18, 2009

You are invited to a wedding shower hosted by Donna Thomasson and Tammy Davis for Heather Horn and Erick Thornton on Sunday, January 18th in the Fellowship Hall. See upcoming bulletins for more information.

Heather and Erick are registered at Wal-Mart and Bed, Bath and Beyond.



## CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

Our next contemporary worship service will be on Sunday, January 25th during the 10:50 A.M. Worship Service. Our 8:30 A.M. Service will feature a more traditional format. All are invited to attend.

## ADVICE FOR THE NEW YEAR

Count your blessings instead of your crosses,  
Count your gains instead of your losses.  
Count your joy instead of your woes,  
Count your friends instead of your foes.  
Count your smiles instead of your tears,  
Count your courage instead of your fears.  
Count your full years instead of your lean,  
Count your kind deeds instead of your mean.  
Count your health instead of your wealth,  
Count on God instead of yourself.



## THOUGHTS ON THE NEW YEAR

By Earline McGinnis

When Christmas is past and we've gathered up all the wrapping paper, ribbons, cards, etc. and have disposed of them or stored them away for future use, it will be, for some of us, sort of a sad or lonely time as we ponder what next we have to look forward to.

But — wait! Here comes a brand new year, a clean slate so to speak. What will we do to make it a better year for the glory of the Lord? Will we keep the spirit of Christmas in our hearts, remembering the love we feel for our Savior and those around us as we worship together in the special services during Advent season?

Then again, on Christmas Eve as we gather to sing the beautiful Christmas carols and share around the communion table, will we remember the joy in our hearts? Will we remember the awe and reverence we felt watching those precious young people pledging their hearts and lives in service to God in the waters of baptism?

Will we continue to hold them up in our prayers as they begin their new walk with Jesus, the One who died for them (and for us)? We know Satan will use every ploy he has to discourage them as he tries to entice them back into the world of sin and bondage.

We've all, at one time or another, I'm sure, made New Year's resolutions — to change our eating habits, to change our attitudes, to spend more time with our Heavenly Father, and at that moment, fully intended to keep them. How long did those resolutions last? Not long for most of us, I'm afraid.

As we come to the new year — 2009 — we face so many challenges — the crisis in the financial world, many facing job losses, loss of health insurance, for many even the loss of homes. Will we resolve to pray for those so unfortunate? Will we resolve to pray for the elderly who are facing such uncertain times? Will we resolve to pray for the leaders of our country? And then resolve to pray earnestly for our church — for Pastor Roger, Heather, the leaders, and our church family as we are certain to undergo the challenge of change in the coming year? Will we resolve to hold up our young people in their Christian walk and do all we can to encourage them?

Yes — the new year — 2009 — is a blank page. How we fill it, day by day, will make a difference.

*Christmas is over. The excitement has passed.*

*The paper and trimming picked up at last.*

*The tree and the tinsel put away for next year.*

*We feel a bit lonesome, a little bit drear.*

*What lies ahead for 2009*

*One thing is certain — it's all in God's time!*

Earline McGinnis

### FIVE PURPOSES OF PRAYER

1. Praise and adoration: responding to the glory and grandeur of God.
2. Thanksgiving: acknowledging the Giver of all good gifts.
3. Confession: admitting our failures and asking for pardon.
4. Petition: asking God to take care of us.
5. Intercession: asking God to help others.

Dale A. Matthews, in *The Faith Factor*  
*The Newsletter Newsletter; January 1999, volume 21, Number 1, pg. 2*



**Jim McDaniel**—at home, recovering from surgery

**Larry Fort**—Special Blessings Preschool Teacher Jenny Klamm's father—diagnosed with cancer

**Sherri Lund's family**—following the passing of Sherri's sister, Nancy

**Christie Haigh**—upcoming tests in January

**Bob Dunaway**—health concerns

**Carson James Neel**—son of Heather & Clayton Neel—recovering from surgery in Children's Mercy Hosp

**Shannon Young**—Bev McAuley's daughter—upcoming surgery in January

**Rick Thornton**—Erick Thornton's father—recovering from surgery

**Roy Elrod**—Sandie Elrod's husband—health concerns

**Susan Key**—Staci Newhouse's mom—health concerns

**Harry Lillich**—Nadine Gale's nephew—undergoing chemotherapy

**Ronald True**—Bobbie Johnson's brother—diagnosed with colon cancer

**Family of Jeff Affalter**—Bob Cramer's cousin—following his passing

### YOU ARE INVITED

**Mr. & Mrs. Keith Dougan**  
and

**Mrs. Jacqueline Alioto**

request the honour of your presence  
at the marriage of their daughter

**Miss Taryn Brice Dougan**  
to

**Mr. Logan Spencer Robbs**

son of

**Mr. & Mrs. David Robbs**

Saturday, the third of January  
Two thousand and nine  
at three o'clock in the afternoon  
at the Wellsville Baptist Church

### YOU ARE INVITED

To a

**Retirement Party**

For

**Keith Churchill**

**Saturday**

**January 17, 2009**

**5:00—8:00 p.m.**

**Wellsville Community Center**

707 Locust

Wellsville KS 66092

No gifts please — our come and go event is a time for you to just extend your best wishes as Keith has completed 20 years of service in Law Enforcement and 22 years in Electronics.

# JANUARY, 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
*Sunday—Regular Weekly Services — 8:30 a.m. Worship Service, 9:45 a.m. Sunday Morning Bible Study, 10:50 a.m. Morning Worship Service, 5:30 p.m. Youth Group for ages 7th—12th grades; 5:30 P.M. Choir; 7:00 P.M. Worship Team Practice. **Wednesday—Regular Weekly Services—6:30 p.m. AWANA Youth Groups, 6:45 p.m. Adult Coffee & Dessert Time, 7:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study				<b>1</b> New Year's Day Church office closed	<b>2</b> Church office closed <b>6:00 p</b> Wedding rehearsal for Logan Robbs & Taryn Dougan	<b>3</b> <u>7:00 a</u> Men's Prayer Breakfast, <u>3:00 p</u> Logan Robbs & Taryn Dougan wedding
<b>4*</b> <u>12:10 p</u> Mosher Small Group meeting in the Fellowship Hall	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> <u>8:30 a</u> Church Staff Meeting, <u>9:15 a</u> Ladies' Bible Study, <u>7:00 p</u> Stephen Ministry supervision	<b>7**</b> <u>6:30 p</u> Awana resumes, <u>8:00 p</u> Deacons' Meeting	<b>8</b> <u>10:00 a</u> Bingo at Wellsville Retirement Center	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> <u>7:00 a</u> Men's Prayer Breakfast, <u>8:00 a</u> Family Center Rented
<b>11*</b> <u>8:30 a</u> & <u>10:50 a</u> Installation of Officers service, <u>12:15 p</u> O'Dea Small Group meeting in the Fellowship Hall	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> <u>8:30 a</u> Church Staff Meeting, <u>9:15 a</u> Ladies' Bible Study	<b>14**</b>	<b>15</b> <u>7:00 p</u> Trustees' meeting, <u>7:00 p</u> Christian Ed meeting, <u>7:00 p</u> Rodeo Bible Camp meeting	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> <u>7:00 a</u> Men's Prayer Breakfast, <u>3:00 p</u> Family Center rented
<b>18*</b>	<b>19</b> No preschool today	<b>20</b> <u>8:30 a</u> Church Staff Meeting, <u>9:15 a</u> Ladies' Bible Study, <u>7:00 p</u> Stephen Ministry Supervision	<b>21**</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> <u>7:00 a</u> Men's Prayer Breakfast
<b>25*</b> <u>10:50 a</u> Contemporary Worship Service, <u>12:10 p</u> Fellowship Lunch, <u>1:00 p</u> Annual Business Meeting	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> <u>8:30 a</u> Church Staff Meeting, <u>9:15 a</u> Ladies' Bible Study	<b>28**</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> <u>7:00 a</u> Men's Prayer Breakfast

If your birthday or anniversary is not listed below, please call the church office and let us know.

### Anniversaries

6-M/M Rick Haigh  
27-M/M Trent Burkdoll

### Birthdays

1-Diane Moss  
3-Alice Ann Ishmael, Garrett Oshel  
7-Erick Thornton, Paige Thornton, Mercedes Thompson  
8-Justin Altic, Jesse Courter  
9-Andrew Johnson  
13-Truyn Mosher, Ardyth Mosher  
14-Norma Kerr  
15-Rose Baker, Craig Moore

### Birthdays (cont.)

16-Larry Averill, J.R. Posey  
17-Oscar West  
18-Rev. Kevin Inglehart, John Robbs  
21-Ken Robbs  
22-Rebecca Londo  
25-Pat McAuley  
26-Tiffany Nitzsche  
27-Ann Averill  
28-Edna Wyatt, Dunreath West  
31-Jacob Lee, Greg Robertson

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