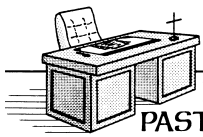


# THE GOOD NEWS BULLETIN OF WELLSVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH

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WELLSVILLE, KANSAS  
AMERICAN BAPTIST CHURCH



**FROM THE  
PASTOR'S DESK**

Dear Brothers and Sisters  
in Christ,

The New year is off and running. It is hard to believe that January is almost done and I am writing the article for the February Newsletter.

The January business meeting is over and the recommendation of the deacons (because of the surveys, meetings, and the Lord's leading) was to keep the three worship services the same. This was ratified at the business meeting by a majority of the members present.

In order to fulfill our mission to Christ as found in the Great Commission and the Great Commandment, we still have the same issues that we had before the meetings. I want to remind us of the mission that we have been given by the Lord so that we can better understand our duty to Him.

The Great Commission is to make disciples who can fulfill the Great Commandment of loving God and others. This involves more than one part and involves reaching out to everyone. It begins with bringing people to Christ and baptizing them into the community of faith. This is very important but our obligation to Christ and the discipleship process does not end there.

The other part of the Great Commission is teaching others. Without properly teaching truth (doctrine) and helping people discover who they are in Christ and what their gifts are, we short circuit the new believer's growth.

Not too many years ago, some of the Christian churches began using Sunday School to accomplish these goals. It has been very successful for most of that time and is natural since people typically attend worship services on Sunday Morning. Some churches do Sunday School at 9:00 or 9:30 and then worship at 10:30 or 11:00. One church that Lynda and I attended held the worship time at 9:40 and Sunday School at 11:00. Some churches have one Sunday School, some have two and some have three.

Over the next few months, I will be working with the board of Christian Education and a task force to accomplish the task of planning and implementing an educational strategy that will allow us to fulfill the Great Commission. This task force model has worked for us very well over the past five plus years and I'm sure will be successful as the Holy Spirit leads us in a spirit of unity.

The congregation will receive updates as they become available as to the progress being made in this important area. Please keep us in your prayers!

In Christ,

*Pastor Tom*

*VALENTINE BANQUET*  
*Saturday, February 11, 2017*  
*Wellsville Baptist Church*  
*Family Center*  
*6:00 p.m.*  
*\$10.00 per person*



*Menu:*

HORS D'OEUVRES  
LASAGNA  
GREEN SALAD  
GARLIC BREAD  
CHOCOLATE DESSERT  
BEVERAGES

The evening's entertainment will be provided by:

*Rayne Ethetton*

Rayne extracts material from her southern preacher's daughter upbringing and directly from her own wacky Midwestern life, into a delightfully silly show. From her off-the-wall family, her volunteer work, her marriage, her kids...it all factors in. Her originality and love for God shines through and you will find yourself motivated and laughing at the same time! You haven't heard it until you've heard it Rayne's way!



To make a reservation, contact the church office at 785-883-2640. Payment is due at the time of your reservation.

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

### Anniversaries

- 2-Jim & Barbara Wright
- 15-Oscar & Kara West
- 21-Leonard & Vesta Burbank
- 24-Kenny & Rose Coffman



### Birthdays

- 1-Donna Burkdoll
- 2-Staci Newhouse
- 3-Jeremy Altic, Derik Fouts
- 5-Betty LaRue, Barbara Ott
- 6-Cleta Johnston
- 7-Kim Moore, David Strawn, Andy Skinner
- 9-Amanda Donovan
- 10-Betty Lawrenz, Aaron Beuthien, Sean Breithaupt
- 14-Melinda Huff
- 15-Kari Owings
- 16-Jim Wright
- 19-Jennifer Bartholomew
- 21-Fred Groshong, Carly Oshel
- 22-Joshua Young, Virginia Kramer, Hazel Taylor
- 24-Jean Ann Moss, Scott Moore
- 27-Jill Robbs
- 28-Leslie Rogers



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# February, 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<b>1</b> 9:30 a Adult Bible study, 6:30 p AWANA, 7:00 p Adult Prayer group	<b>2</b> 8:15 a Preschool, 9:30 a WRC Bible study, 7:00 p Board of Deacons	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> 8:00 a Prayer Group, 12:00—8:00 p FC rented
<b>5*</b> 8:30, 9:45, 11:00 a Worship Services Bill Nicoson, speaker, 12:10 p Council, 4:45 p Worship team, 5:30 p Youth Group, 5:30 p Campfire Bible study	<b>6</b> 8:15 a Preschool, 10:00 a Staff, 7:00 p – H in the Fellowship Hall	<b>7</b> 8:15 a Preschool, 9:30 a Ladies' Bible Study	<b>8</b> 9:30 a Adult Bible study, 6:30 p AWANA, 7:00 p Adult Prayer group	<b>9</b> 8:15 a Preschool, 9:30 a WRC Bible study, 10:00 a Bingo at WRC, 6:30 p Board of Christian Education	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> 8:00 a Prayer group, 6:00 p Valentine Banquet
<b>12*</b> 8:30, 9:45 & 11:00 a Worship services, 12:10 p Trustees, 4:45 p Worship team, 5:30 p Youth group, 5:30 p Campfire Bible study	<b>13</b> 8:15 a preschool, 10:00 a Staff	<b>14</b> 8:15 a Preschool, 9:30 a Ladies' Bible study	<b>15</b> 9:30 a Adult Bible study, 6:30 p AWANA, 7:00 p Adult Prayer group	<b>16</b> 8:15 a Preschool, 9:30 a WRC Bible study	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> 8:00 a Prayer group
<b>19*</b> 8:30, 9:45, 11:00 a Worship services, 3:00 p WRC service, 4:45 p Worship team, 5:30 p youth group, 5:30 p Campfire Bible study	<b>20</b> 8:15 a Preschool, 10:00 a Staff	<b>21</b> 8:15 a Preschool, 9:30 a Ladies' Bible study	<b>22</b> 9:30 a Adult Bible study, 6:30 p AWANA, 7:00 p Adult Prayer group	<b>23</b> 8:15 a Preschool, 9:30 a WRC Bible study	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> 8:00 a Prayer group, 11:00 a Fellowship Hall rented, 6:00 p Teen Swing Dance gathering in the FC
<b>26*</b> 8:30, 9:45 & 11:00 a Worship services, 4:45 p Worship team, 5:30 p youth group, 5:30 p Campfire Bible study	<b>27</b> 8:15 a Preschool, 10:00 a Staff	<b>28</b> 8:15 a Preschool, 9:30 a Ladies' Bible study	*Sunday—Regular Weekly Services — 8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship Service, 9:45 a.m. Connect Contemporary Worship Service, 11:00 a.m. Blended Worship Service, 4:45 P.M.. Morning Bible Study, 5:30 p.m. Youth Group for ages 7th—12th grades; 5:30 p.m. Bible Study Campfire for adults			

The Good News Bulletin is a monthly newsletter of Wellsville Baptist Church, 217 Main Street, Wellsville, Kansas, 66092. All visitors are welcome to worship with us each Sunday at 8:30 a.m. and 10:50 a.m., Sunday School begins at 9:45 a.m. Mid-Week Service is Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. Dr. Rev. Thomas W. Swafford is the Senior Pastor and Pastor Dennis Kichler is the Interim Youth Pastor. The Good News Bulletin coordinator is Jan Beuthien. The church office phone number is 785-883-2640. The Pastor's phone number is 785-883-4201 and the Youth Pastor's phone number is 785-248-3866.

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