

SERMON NOTES

"Christmas has come and gone . . . so what?"

Isaiah 7

- One word that describes Christmas is "intense" . . . but now it's over and the question is "so what?" What are the lasting values that we can embrace a Christians? How can we have Christmas touch us throughout the coming year?

I. The _____ of the prophets (Isaiah 7:14)

- The prophets were right! A virgin? Both the secular and religious world said "can't happen!" but it did!
- Matthews Gospel goes into great detail on Jesus' family tree and lasts 28 generations. What a miracle that was!

II. _____ is now a Priority (I Corinthians 15:1-4)

- 1/4 to 1/2 of the chapters in all four Gospels deal with Easter. Neither Mark nor John record anything about Jesus' birth.

III. _____ have been Pummeled

(Hebrews 2:14-15)

A. Defeated the Devil (v. 14)

B. Destroyed the power of Death (v. 15)

IV. _____ for our Problems (Hebrews 2:17-18)

- Job - like many today - in the midst of suffering and pain asked:
"God, how am I gonna talk to you? You don't know what it's like!"
- In Jesus, God stopped the mouth of anyone who would say that!

V. _____ about a Promise (John 14:2-3)

- The prophets batted one thousand concerning His first coming. They will bat 1000 on the Second coming too!

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

2022 Contributions: To get credit for your contribution in 2022, it must be to the church on or before Jan. 2, and must be dated in 2022.

2023 Bible Reading Plan: Have you ever read through the whole Bible? Do you read the Bible regularly? Bible Reading Plans are available in the Atrium at the Church Office board. Pick one up today and start reading.

Christmas Cards: Don't throw away your Christmas Cards, bring them to the church to be remade into Gift tags that will be given to families who shop the Christmas Toy Store.

2023 Offering Envelopes: Are available for pick up at the church office bulletin board in the Atrium. If you would like to be assigned a giving number, please sign up at the Church Office Bulletin Board. Giving is also online, please contact the Church Office if you need more information about that option.

GriefShare: Will begin Mon., Jan. 9, from 9:30 to 11:30am and go through April 3. The weekly sessions are for anyone who has experienced loss of any loved one. Each session has video with experts, support group discussion with focus, personal study and reflection. There is a cost of \$20 per person to cover materials. Contact John or Janet Marshall for more info. 931-335-3326 or 765-650-8084.

CENTRAL RECREATION

Christian Fellowship Bowling League: The second session will begin on Jan. 9. We are looking for bowlers of all skill levels to come and have some fellowship and fun. If you are interested contact Jeanne Foster at 931-335-0433.

Pickleball: Check the Weekly Schedule for details.

Central Shooters: Sporting Clays; 2nd and 4th Saturday's at 12:00 noon; Crossville Shooting Sports Park, 772 Albert Frye Rd. Bring shot gun, ammo, ear and eye protection. Cost:22 and under-\$15/50, \$30/100; Adults \$20/50 or \$40/100. Other Shooting Sports, i.e. Ladies hand gun practice, etc. will be offered in the future. Contact Ty Stone, 931-337-4436 for additional information.

Corn Hole Play: Corn hole play in the Gym, Jan. 13 and 27 at 10:00 am. For more information contact Tom Rice, 931-200-9256

Upward Basketball/Cheerleading: PRAY for Upward: This is the last week of Upward practices for the ball teams and cheer squads before the first Game Day. The first games will take place Saturday, January 7 beginning at 9:00 a.m. through 7:00 p.m.

Volleyball: Volleyball in the gym for High School Students through 25 years of age. Wed. 8:00-9:00pm and Sundays 5:00-8:00pm, Contact Andy or Courtney Peterson with any questions 931-261-5925.

LEGACY MINISTRY

L.M. Fellowship Luncheon Wed., Jan. 4, 2023, 12:00 noon Theme: Epiphany; Program: Dr. David Jeremiah's *Why The Nativity?*; Menu: KFC chicken pot pies, dessert and drinks; Cost: \$5.00 donation suggested; Register via Realm, phone the church office or scan QR code to get registered via Realm. You must register by TODAY!

2023 Calendaring:

- Jan. 11 Anna's Girls Gathering
- Jan. 18 Simeon's Men Gathering
- Jan. 26 Three Hour Tour
- Feb. 4 No Regrets Men's Conference
- Feb. 10-11 Marriage Matters Weekend
- March 27-29 Love Packages Mission Trip, Decatur, AL
- April 5 Journey to the Cross
- May 7 Senior Adult Day
- May 8-14 Beach Week, Panama City Beach, FL
- June 4-8 Vacation Bible School
- June 16-17 Gridiron Iron Men's Conference, Birmingham, AL
- Oct. 16-19 Celebrators Conference , Pigeon Forge, TN

MISSIONS PRAYER FOCUS

Pray for *IMB* Missionaries to Ukraine **Paul & Lori Babb**. Due to the war they have been relocated.

MINISTRY PARTNERS

DEACON OF THE WEEK

Elton Warren (931) 839-8866

WELCOME DESK

Sunday: 9:00am-11:00pm - Judy Dion
Wed.: Kris Horn

USHERS

Sunday: Clark Zedric, Lloyd Pool
Adam Fusco, Ziggy Waszkiewicz

PARKING LOT WATCH

Sunday: 9:30am - Terry Galan
Wed.: 6:00 - 8:30pm - Eddie Marsh

SANCTUARY CARE

(Tues. Jan. 3) Wayne & Vicki Gurley

SIDEWALK GREETERS

Sunday, Children's Door: Chris Benson
Main Door: Wayne Benson

LIBRARY

Sunday: 9:00-9:30 - Sue Gettman
10:30-11:00 - Amy Barnes
Wed.: 5:30-8:00 - Debbie Deans & Amy Barnes

HEART TO HOME VISITS

(Week of January 1)

IN HOME VISITS: Julie Schenk, Gerri Waszkiewicz, Mike & Christy Thompson, Susan & Rich Bond
NURSING/ASSISTED: Judy Dion, Phil Hill, Keith Gowen



Jan. Fellowship Luncheon

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Sunday, Jan. 1 Children's Church: Multipurpose Room. Theme: "Children of God" Key Passage: (1 John 2-3)

Jan. 4: No Kids4Truth, Happy New Years! We will resume on Jan. 11.

KIMM: KidsInMusicMinistry will resume Jan. 11

CENTRAL STUDENTS

NO Sunday School Jan. 1

Student Worship Wed.: 5:30-Snacks, 6:00-Worship, 7:00-Connect Groups, 7:30-8:00-Open Gym

MARRIAGE & FAMILY MINISTRY

Jan. 4, 2023 - Adult Worship from 6-7pm

Two on Two Marriage Mentoring: Trained Mentors are ready for Mentees. Give it a shot. Who knows, it may be exactly what your marriage needs right now. Email terrymaycbc@gmail.com to get things started.

Family Life Journey: We believe that God designed the family as the primary place for discipleship. The Family LIFE Journey exists to partner with you as you guide your child's faith path one step at a time. Start the journey in your family at this link: www.CbcCrossville.faithpathweb.com

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, JANUARY 1

9- 9:30 // 10:30-11 AM Library Open
9:30 -10:45 AM MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

MONDAY, JANUARY 2

4:00 - 8:00 PM Church Office Closed for New Year's
Upward Basketball / Cheerleading Practice

TUESDAY, JANUARY 3

9:00 - 11:00 AM Staff Meeting
12:45 - 3:45 PM Pickleball - Beginners
4:00 - 8:00 PM Upward Basketball / Cheerleading Practice

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4

8:30 AM - 2:00 PM Mothers Day Out
12:00 - 1:30 PM Legacy Ministry Fellowship Luncheon
1:00-3:00 // 5:30-8:00 PM Library Open
6:00 - 7:00 PM Prayer Meeting // Adult Worship // Young Adult Study // Central Students
7:15 PM Deacon's Meeting

THURSDAY, JANUARY 5

8:30 AM - 2:00 PM Mother's Day Out
12:45 - 3:45 PM PickleBall - Intermediates
4:00 - 8:00 PM Upward Basketball Practice

FRIDAY, JANUARY 6

8:00 AM - 12:00 PM Church Office Closed at Noon
4:00 - 8:00 PM Upward Basketball Practice

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY (AGES 18-20's)

NO Sunday School Jan. 1

Sunday Evening Volleyball- 5:00pm in the Gym

Wed. Night Fellowship: Join us at 6:00pm in room A33, followed by Volleyball at 8:00pm

CHRISTMAS TOY STORE MINISTRY

UPDATE: Thank you Central Family!! 192 families have been served, 451 children provided toys; one adult salvation and 26 families will need follow up. There were approximately 160 volunteers. The Toy Store Offering was over \$31,000 and we spent \$29,972.95. Each child received three toys; a plush item; a book; a NT, a Bible or a devotional; a stocking stuffer and a baggie of candy. Every family received a roll of wrapping paper; bag of bows; a roll of tape; gift tags; a box of decorated candy canes; and a copy of *The Cradle and Crown*, *The Life Book* and *The Four Emotions of Christmas*. Toys and gift cards were also provided for the McCoy family children whose parents, grandparents and two siblings perished in a recent house fire.