

January Birthdays		January Anniversaries	
1	Stanten Sikes	1	Robin & Joe Autry
4	Robin Autry		
25	Linda Reader		

February 1, 2026		
Greeters:	Len Gates	Terry Reader
Announcements:	Terry Reader	
Song Leader:	Stanten Sikes	
Opening Prayer:	Len Gates	
Closing Prayer:	Stacey Moss	
Lord's Table:	Dan Greene	Terry Reader
	Ramon Castro	Kelly Beek
Coordinator:	Kelly Beek	



**When you visit us...** January 25, 2026

You can expect to find your friendly neighbor, assembled to worship God the Father, and proclaim the love and grace He has given to us; and remember Jesus, the Christ, our example—our Savior. We will strive always to provoke love and good deeds of one another.

As in the 1st Century New Testament Church, our worship to God is simple - without mankind's rituals. You will find a wholesome respect for the Word of God as inspired by the Holy Spirit. We study only the Holy Scriptures—no human creeds will be used by us.

In addition to the worship of our Creator, we strive to fulfill our Savior's stated plan for us by sharing His Gospel message with this community and throughout the world.

Sermons every Sunday will be based wholly upon the Word of God. They will be Christ - centered and Biblically based so we can develop a deepening relationship with God through our understanding and personal involvement with Him and His truth in our everyday life.

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<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>
10:00 am ....Bible Class	7:00 pm.....Devotional
11:00 am.....Assembly	or Bible Class
Noon.....Fellowship Meal	
1:30 pm.....Devotional	

**Mission Work Areas**  
Quito, Ecuador  
Mazatlán, Mexico  
Reitoca & San Carlos, Honduras

**Elders**  
Stanten Sikes (719) 207-0629  
Ian Stewart (720) 878-2919  
Terry Reader (719) 427-7141

**Deacons**  
Stacey Moss (719) 207-0588  
Ken Davis (719) 748-8654  
Kelly Beek (719) 342-5856  
Len Gates (719) 207-0039

**New Prayer Requests**

Melissa Waigle (Fulton's daughter) – her cancer has reoccurred. Not sure what is to come yet. Please keep her and the family in your prayers.

Joan Lawrence – dealing with dementia. Please keep her in your prayers.

Ian & Linda Stewart – both have been struggling with health issues. Please keep them in your prayers.

Gerry Dixon (former member here) – is having heart issues and expects to have a bypass surgery in January. Please keep him in your prayers.

Stanten Sikes – is continuing with testing for his health struggles. Please keep him and Colleen in your prayers.

Linda Beek – still struggling with some health issues. Please keep her in your prayers.

**Long Term Prayer List**

Stanten Sikes	Richard Pedrie
Ian Stewart	Greg Pyle
Gary Stewart	Ron Hansen
Marilyn Bartlow	Joan Lawrence
Marian Like	Betty & Danny Sidebottom
Patricia Bulmer (Scott's mom)	Linda Beek – hip & back problems
Kelly Mortensen (Toni G's dad)– kidney cancer	Lola Gates (Len's mom) – recovering from her fall – will likely have surgery
Madison Atha – shoulder surgery	Linda Reader – cancer follow-ups
Judy Taylor – dental issues	Teresa & John Grady – various issues
Seth Moss – knee surgery	Ellen Furby – Continued recovery from hip replacement

If you have bulletin information or updates, please send them to Terry or Linda Reader

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## Blessed Blessings

Dan Jenkins

Sometimes the best way to define a word is to look at the word which stands in opposition to it. We use the words “blessed” or “blessing” so often and in so many ways that we lose track of their exact meaning. Take a moment and look at the words that are the opposite words—cursed and cursing.

Think of the emphasis the Bible gives to those who fail to find His favor and blessings and come under judgment. “The Lord is angry with the wicked every day” (Psa. 7:11). “Even his prayer is an abomination” (Prov. 28:9). “It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God” (Heb. 10:31). “A certain fearful expectation of judgment, and fiery indignation which will devour the adversaries” (Heb. 10:27). This is the opposite of being blessed by God and finding favor in His sight. A simple definition of the word “blessed” is that it means “happy.” But, that word is too “simple” to see how magnificently blessed it is when we find His blessed favor.

The words of the song, “Blessed Assurance,” were first published 150 years ago. The fact that is so often sung today is evidence of how so many have rejoiced in the fact that we live under His favor and find great hope in Him. It was written by Fanny J. Crosby, who was blind from six weeks old. Mrs. Crosby wrote at least 4,000 hymns, possibly 8,000.

The first stanza of “Blessed Assurance” describes how wonderful it is to be His child. “Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine!” It then looks at specific ways we are blessed—“heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.” Read these phrases again and think soberly about how they express the blessing of having His favor.

The second stanza speaks of the perfect delight which we have when we submit to Him and His control of our lives. It looks upward to see the rapturous blessings of vision depicted as angels descending from heaven to bring them. Two specific blessings are mentioned— “echoes of mercy” and “whispers of love.”

The third stanza turns our hearts to the peace we have. “Perfect submission, all is at rest.” In Christ, we are “happy and blest, watching and waiting, looking above, filled with His goodness, lost in His love.”

Is there any wonder why the chorus speaks of this blessed assurance being our story and our song? We are “praising my Savior all the day long.”

There is so much depth in the meaning of songs which for centuries have stirred the hearts of others. They have become part of the “psalms, hymns and spiritual songs” today. Think of the words of these songs, and let them lift you upward toward heaven.



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We want to give a big thanks to Stacey Moss.

He changed out one of the dishwashers in the kitchen. It's been giving us troubles for a while.



Thank You Stacey!!!

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**Game Night & Waffle Supper**  
**Thursday, February 12**  
**6:00 PM**

Yes!!! You heard right. Games and waffles. Bring your favorite game and toppings for waffles.

We'll be making waffles at the Fellowship Hall and you just need to bring toppings. It could be sweet or savory. If it will go on a waffle bring it.



Let's plan for a good time.



We invite you to stay for our **Weekly Fellowship Lunch & Afternoon Devotional!** We hope you'll stay and eat, fellowship and worship with us immediately following morning services.

### For your calendar.....

Weekly Fellowship Luncheon	Sunday – 12:00 Noon
Singing Night	February 4
Ladies Bible Study	February 6 – 11:00 AM
Game Night & Waffle Supper	February 12 – 6:00 PM