



# TO KNOW CHRIST & MAKE HIM KNOWN

JOIN US!

SUNDAY

9AM SUNDAY SCHOOL

10AM WORSHIP SERVICE

6PM BIBLE STUDY

WEDNESDAY

6PM MISSION KIDS/YOUTH/BIBLE STUDY

(UNLESS STATED OTHERWISE IN THE CALENDAR)

## DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN 2024

It's time to dive into the New Testament, 5 days a week for 5 minutes a day. Join in on the 5x5x5 plan. If you would like a printout of this years' plan they are available to pickup at the Welcome Table. The plan is also available on the YouVision app or can be downloaded online @ <https://www.navigators.org/resource/bible-reading-plans/> and scroll down to the 5x5x5 Plan.



**FBC RAMSEY**

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# FROM PASTOR JEFF

“Remember, then, what you have received and heard; keep it, and repent. If you are not alert, I will come like a thief, and you have no idea at what hour I will come upon you.” Revelation 3:3

Last year, to be honest, I had no clue about direction or vision for the year. I prayed, tried to listen, read, and got exactly.... nothing. Now, that being said, the Lord did somethings in and through us throughout the year and we saw His hand, heard His voice, and had to simply trust day by day to follow where He led. What a great reminder for us to be dependent on Him.

However, throughout this year, the Lord had been slowly building something within for this year. He has been formulating a plan and direction. Pastor Matt and I had regular discussions and prayed about what God is doing and what He wants for us this coming year. And boy did He ever answer! He gave a vision for the next 2 years which I believe will be foundational for many years to come.

Now, I will be sharing a little on the last Sunday in Dec. (So if you miss it, make sure to watch it on YouTube.) Then, I will give a more comprehensive vision at our annual celebration on Jan. 10. This is going to a multifaceted, diverse plan which will involved many different avenues and ministries.

So the first things you need to know about is our new Bible reading plan. It is 5x5x5 Plan. The concept behind this plan is to read for 5 minutes a day (which is done by reading just 1 chapter a day), 5 days a week (which gives you opportunity to catch up if you get behind), and answer 5 questions about what you read. You can get a copy of this plan at the welcome center in the foyer, or find it on YouVersion.com. I would recommend a couple things to do with this plan. First, you may consider doing the plan in a different translation than you normally read. Now, I wouldn't necessarily recommend just any translation (please don't use the Passion Translation), but most are useful. Secondly, You may want to use a journal to write out your answers to the questions. This will force you to slow down and be thoughtful in your time with God and His word. Finally, don't get behind. I know there will be times where it will be hard or inconvenient to do it, but make it a priority. Make it one of the most important things you do every day.

I am very excited about the direction the Lord has given us for the year and hope that you will commit to praying with us about it. I hope you are looking forward with anticipation about hearing, receiving, and living out the vision God has in store for us.

Following Him,

Jeff



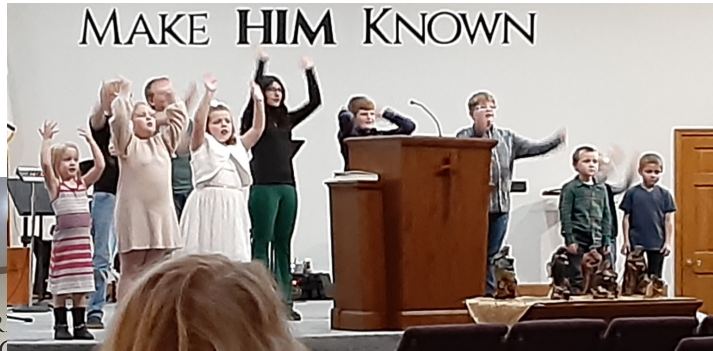
# Holiday Dinner



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# FBC Family Christmas



# Senior Adult Lights & DQ



We had 10 or so for our Senior Adult adventure out sightseeing the Christmas lights. We enjoyed DQ, a drive through the lights in Shelbyville, Forest Park and had bonus lights on the way home through Pana at Kitchell Park. The lights were beautiful and the company was top notch.

# FROM PASTOR MATT

“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!” (2 Corinthians 5:17). At this time of the year everything is new; a new calendar year, a new outlook on life, and new plans for areas of life, including a diet plan. Change is inevitable, but who is directing that change is important. Our relationship with Jesus should and will create a change in how you live, so this year look at the new that your growing relationship with Jesus will bring.

December was a busy month of events for both Mission Kids and the Youth Group. Christmas caroling was so much fun with singing, cookies, and hot chocolate. Thank you to all the adults who came and helped transport students. The holiday meal was well-attended delicious meal with fellowship and fun. Thank you Isaiah and Ashley for the game time for the students. Christmas Gone Wrong Christmas Extravaganza was a blast! Over the top decorations, food, and games.

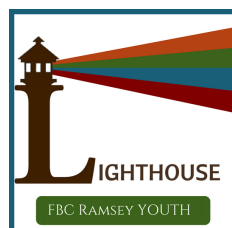
**Congratulations to our Christmas Big Buck!**

In January, Wednesday nights will start up for the Youth Group on the 3rd at the FUNeral Home, whereas Mission Kids will not meet again until the 10th. Our first Lighthouse for the new year will take place on January 12th from 6:30-9:00pm. Fellowship of Christian Athletes (Anyone) will be back on the 16th and will continue the first and third Tuesday of each month at 7:30am.

Be in prayer for all of our students. Pray that God continues to show them His truth and love. Pray that they continue to be encouraged to engage with God and His Word. Pray that they own their faith and then apply their faith.



Pastor Matt





## Food Pantry January Highlights:

Noodles	Ramen
Hamburger/Tuna Helper	Peanut Butter & Jelly
Tomato Juice	Chili with beans



**SNF JANUARY 7TH 6PM  
BRINGING IN THE NEW YEAR  
WITH APPETIZERS & FINGER FOODS!  
ALSO BRING YOUR FAVORITE GAME  
TO PLAY OR RIMINESS ABOUT!**



### January Birthdays & Anniversaries

**\*Blessing and Best Wishes\***

4 Hannah Rae Miller	8 Jayden Koski
10 Shelli Finley	11 Abigail Lorton
19 Hannah Seaton	20 Beth Miller
22 Carol Price	25 Owen Philbrick
27 Adam Casey	28 Christie Clark
29 John Beck	30 Mary Philbrick
31 Grady Oller	

**Office Closed**

**Jan. 1**

**Deacons' Mtg**

**Jan.7 @5pm**

**SNF**

**Jan.7@ 6pm**

**Celebration Bus Mtg**

**Jan 10@ 7pm**

**Happy New Year, Welcome  
2024!!**

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JANUARY 2024						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>1</b> New Year's Day Office Closed	<b>2</b> TOPS Group 6-8 Every Tuesday	<b>3</b> Youth @ the FUNeral Home Bible Study 6pm	<b>4</b> TOPS Group 9am Every Thursday	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> Kitchen/Gym in use
<b>7</b> Deacons' Mtg 5pm SNF 6pm	<b>8</b> Men's Bible Study 7:15am Mondays	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> MK/Youth 6pm Celebration Business Mtg. 7pm	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> Lighthouse 6:30-9pm	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b> Bible Study 6pm	<b>15</b> M L King Day Sweet Monday 6pm	<b>16</b> FCA 7:30am	<b>17</b> All activities 6pm	<b>18</b> Senior Adult Meet @ 9:30 Coffee/White Elephant Christmas	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b> Sanctity of Life Speaker Don Preaching Bible Study 6pm	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> Matt gone to Summit 23&24	<b>24</b> All activities 6pm	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> PFC
<b>28</b> Bible Study 6pm	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> All activities 6pm			