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Fairview Church of the Brethren Newsletter

January Birthdays

- 11 Bob Clark
- 13 Richard Burger
- 15 Dale Brinegar
- 17 Gary Hanes
- 27 Oscar Holt
- 29 Rose Mason

Anniversaries

24- Mike & Lisa Myers

We are a Praying Church

A reminder...We are still known as a praying church. We all know how important prayer is. We continue to pray daily for a couple, or person, youth or child in our congregation for the week. Self evaluation time: How did you do praying daily for them this past year? What happened the week you were prayed for?

We, the Deacons, decided it is an important thing to continue. I personally, have set a goal to do better at the daily part. I will keep my church calendar available to remind me each week and pray for them daily.

An idea of what I'm going to pray for each: Ephesians 1:16-19, "I have not stopped giving thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers. I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better. I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people, and his incomparably great power for us who believe."

Let's see what God does this year with our prayers.



When you pray, God listens. When you listen, God talks. When you believe, God works.

Some Highlights from December!



Lighting the Advent candles



Special Christmas songs



Decorating



Praying for Riley Tracy



Some of the wonderful young men that led worship



Chosen Too program actors

Additional help

December Collection



We have been collecting quarters and donations for Heifer International. Our collections are almost finished. So far, we have enough to send 8 goats!

New Address: Nonie & Chip Downing
49135 Gladiolus Street
Fort Mill, South Carolina 29707

This was an article in the Messenger after being on Northern Plains District Church of the Brethren newsletter and website.

Goats save lives by providing families with milk, cheese, butter, and yogurt to eat and sell.



- heiferinternational 🌐 Goats change lives! 🐐 Your gift will provide:
- 👏 hands-on training to raise a healthy herd
 - ❤️ vet supplies & materials to build a pen
 - 👍 support from our animal experts
 - 🤝 connections to other farmers through co-ops
 - 👩🏫 training in sustainable farming practices, bookkeeping and gender equality

🐐 and a goat!

Reaching so many in need

A little over two years ago, as chair of nurture for Fairview Church of the Brethren in Unionville, Iowa, Ashley Brinegar proposed a food bank project to the church board. She had been volunteering in the community and felt there was a great need in the church's rural area. A partnership

was formed with the Iowa Food Bank after a state inspection and a required nutrition class, but the church effort still had to rely solely on donations.

Recently, Fairview hasn't had to worry about funds with the help of Northern Plains District's "Jesus in the Neighborhood" grant and other donations. Each month, Brinegar and the volunteers who work with her on the project fill 72 packages of food. Members of the congregation deliver 22 of these packages to elderly shut-ins. Another 50 packages are picked up by community members in need. Many of these people are elderly, but they range in age. In a recent month, the church's food bank fed 120 individuals and 74 families. The total cost is around \$400 per month.

Throughout this project, Fairview has been able to reach so many families of all ages. Fairview is not just a church, it is a family—here to look after God's people and to help when they can. —Ashley Brinegar



In Case you missed the Missed the December 15 service that the youth and youngers led, here's the link

[Worship](#)

If you missed out on the Christmas Eve service here is that link

[Christmas Eve](#)

Prayer For The New Year

Heavenly Father, we thank You for the year that has passed and the many blessings You have showered us in time.

We beg your pardon in our many failings and trespasses and we pray that the coming year be a more fruitful one.

We earnestly pray for the gift of the Holy Spirit and we call upon our Lord Jesus Christ for His intercessions, His guidance and His light to shine our path.

Read the full prayer @ christiansst.com



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