

What's Going On This Week?						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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FH = Fellowship Hall S = Sanctuary K = Kitchen				8 AM - Retirees' Breakfast @ Christo's  7:30 PM Contemporary Worship Practice	8:30 AM GSLC	9:00 AM - 1n3 Men's Bible Study @ McDonalds on 231 S  5:30 PM Valentine's Dinner
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
8:30 AM - Prayer (Rm203) 8:30 AM - Praise Team Practice 9:00 AM - Traditional Worship 10:15 AM - Sunday School 11:15 AM - Contemporary Worship	7:30 PM Atwell (S)  WCEA Men's Meeting at HRCA	Women for Christ Meeting	3-10 PM - Atwell (S)	8 AM - Retirees' Breakfast @ Christo's  6:30 PM Turner Lifegroup  7:30 PM Contemporary Worship Practice	8:30 AM GSLC  6:30 PM Fun and Fellowship	9:00 AM - 1n3 Men's Bible Study @ McDonalds on 231 S

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# The Beacon

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**Join Us Each Sunday**

Traditional Worship  
9:00 AM

Sunday School  
10:15 AM

Contemporary Worship  
11:15 AM

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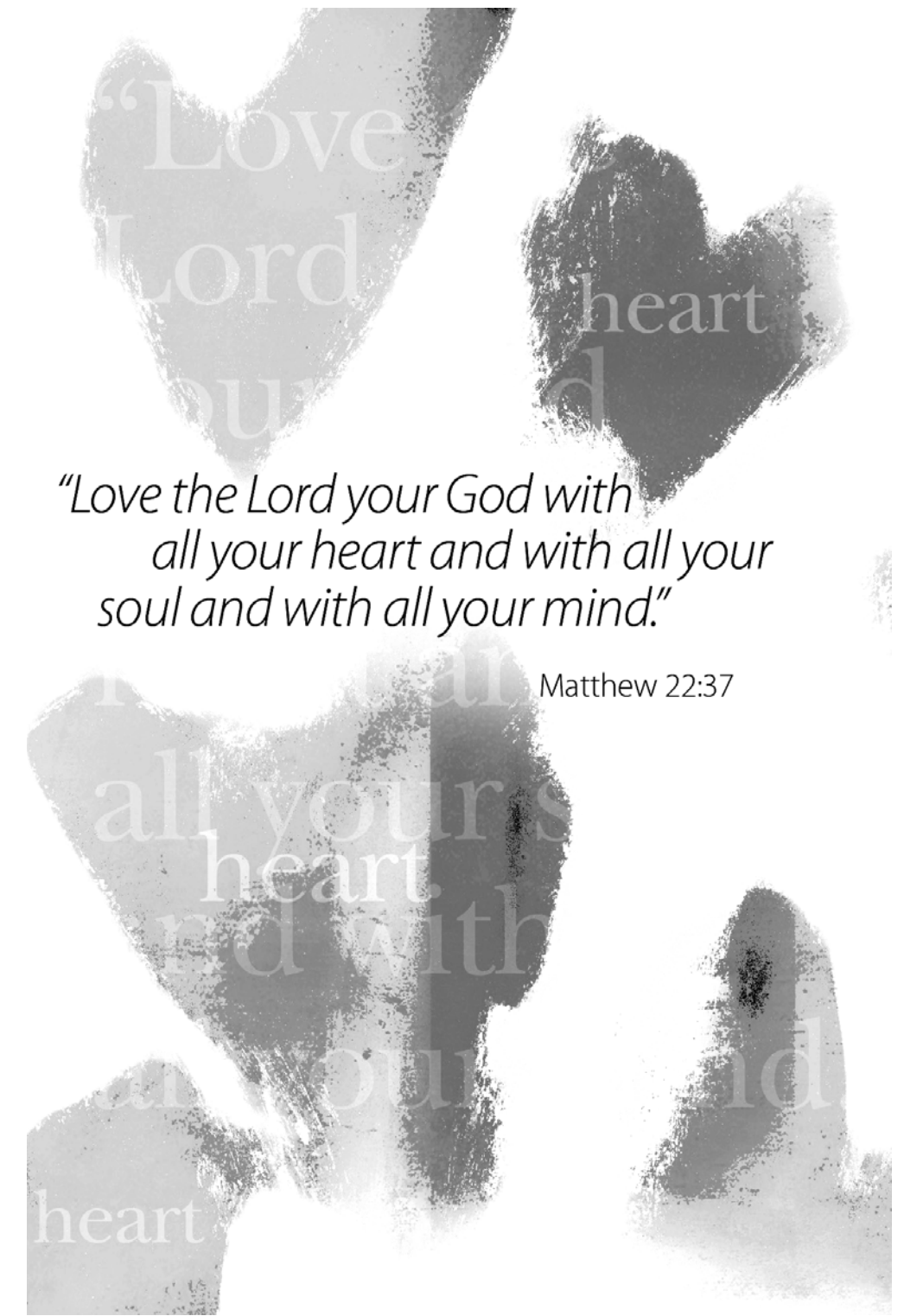
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*"Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind."*

Matthew 22:37



**Elder on Call**  
For Feb 7 - Feb 13  
Ed Turner (474-2772)

### Directory Corrections

**Dick & Judie Clawson**  
Phone# change: 491-1120

## Events and Meetings

**WCEA Men's meeting:** The men's meeting will be held at Hanging Rock Christian Assembly on February 15. The meal will be served at 5:30 PM and the meeting will begin at 7:00. Phil LaMaster is speaking. The menu includes: meatloaf, mashed potatoes and gravy, vegetable casserole, bread, and cobbler and ice cream!

**Compass Women's Worship** will host an evening for women at 7:00 PM on Saturday, February 27 at Brady Lane Church. There is no cost to attend and all women are welcome. Donna Challgren is the guest speaker with a message on "Vessels of Mercy." The Compass band will lead worship. Child care will not be provided so please plan accordingly. See you there!

**Finance team meeting:** There will be a finance team meeting on Sunday, February 21 after second service. Lunch will be provided and the meeting will follow.

The **Women for Christ** meeting has been moved to February 16. Anita Webb will be hosting and backpacks for August will be the topic of discussion.

## Service Opportunities

**Singers.** If you like to sing, we would love to have you be part of our Traditional Worship praise team. We can schedule you at your convenience. The team meets on Sunday mornings at 8:30 am on their designated Sunday. Please contact Ginger Walkup or Bill Overbay for information or to volunteer.

**Food Pick-Up.** Our next commodity pick-up at Food Finders is Monday, Feb. 15 @ 1:30 pm. If you can help, please contact Bob Betty. Thanks.

## Add to Your Prayer List



**Hospital:** **Bob Nicholson** (moving back to Lafayette soon); **Norm Snoddy** (St. Anthony: pneumonia); **Josh** (friend of Scott and Vickie Maris Greeson, Indy after reconstructive facial surgery); **Sharon Jackson** (Clarion Arnette); Kalamazoo, MI: **Keith Balcom** (chest pains evaluated at hospital, health problems)

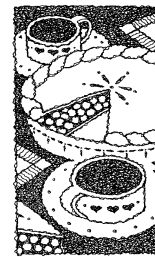
**Now Home:** **Andy Newton** (rehab 3x a week, bar coming off 3/2)

**Health Concerns:** **Adam Wireman**; **Charles Mikels**; **John McGonigle** (COPD); **Caden Miller** (great nephew of Swinford's, waiting for new heart in TN); **Parker Oshier** (cardiologist on 2/14 hopefully last time); **Bev Sloaniger** (Maurine Falwell's daughter, bones not healing); **Midge Brackett** (tests, consultation in Indy in Feb.); **Barbara Mitchell** (pace maker surgery at Ball Memorial in Muncie); **Ralph Tilney** (Tiffany Allen's grandpa, in nursing home, declining quickly); **June Shannon**

**Cancer Patients:** **Rosemary Hoard**; **Art Hill**; **Bev Fike**; **Kasey Kelley**; **Marti Deets**; **Donna Dyer**; **Mike Leslie**; **John Rippeth** (dermatologic surgery on 2/19)

**Other:** **Victims & Missions in Haiti**

## Evening Fellowship



### Pie and ice cream!

The fellowship team will be hosting a pie and ice cream social on February 21 at 5:30 PM. Pie, ice cream, and drinks will be provided. Come and enjoy some sweet treats and fellowship.

## Minister's Minute

It's a lot of work. Already this week over a dozen of our folks have been getting things ready so that our food pantry would be ready to serve the community this week. Before that happened several more of our folks had made trips to Food Finders and the local grocery to bring the food in so that volunteers could shelve, sack, and distribute it. Consider too, that this is not just a one time event. Every two weeks the cycle starts again.

As people, we can be a skeptical. So much so, that sometimes we even think, (We wouldn't dare say it out loud!), 'What's in it for me?' All that effort, does it do any good? Is it worthwhile? The short answer is yes! Surprisingly, this answer relates to evangelism, which is still the church's primary work.

I read sometime ago a commentary on evangelism written by Ray Johnston. He was reflecting on a small passage found in the second chapter of Acts. The passage reads:

"Selling their possessions and goods, they gave to anyone as he had need. Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were

being saved." (Acts 2:45-47 NIV) This short passage is a primer on doing evangelist work. (A preacher has to love this...it's even in three points!)

**Good Deeds...** Those early Christians sold whatever they had so that everyone could be filled. They served the community to the best of their ability. It cost them much, but they were happy to do their part. This benevolence led to a very direct result.

**Good Will...** here was the gracious result of all that effort. The church was held in favor by everyone. Good things were said about the membership and the church as an entity. Today it is not uncommon to hear very negative things about churches everywhere. Note that this was not a problem in Jerusalem. And then there was the next on going result.

**Good News...** was preached with fabulous results. The benevolent acts of the early church lead to open hearts and open minds. People were receptive because of the ministry of the people. The church was able to fulfill it's mission because they cared.

So here again is the short answer. Is our community outreach, our food pantry worth the effort? The book of Acts would suggest that it is. There is always a need for good public relations and receptive hearts.

Bill

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