

# THE BEACON

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Sunday evening worship tonight at 5pm!
- The FHU Lectures are the first full week of February. Any lecture you can attend will surely be a blessing to you. If enough are interested the van will go on Tuesday, February 9. If you would like to go please sign-up on the bulletin board in the foyer!
- Bible School meeting tonight after services. For more details see Trice Dunn or Tim Reynolds.
- Ladies devotional/Bible study February 4 at 6pm in the annex. The ladies from Union Hill have been invited to join us. Please make plans to attend!
- NEXT SUNDAY IS FIFTH SUNDAY!!! POTLUCK AFTER AM SERVICES AND 12.30PM SERVICE!!!



## FOR YOUTH

- ATTENTION BIBLE BOWLERS: Please meet tonight after church services). Your assignment is to read Exodus chapters 5 and 6! For more information see Dwayne or Christie O.
- FOR GIRLS 7TH GRADE THROUGH COLLEGE: "Confessions of a Gentle Spirit" on January 30. Laura Poston will be the speaker. If anyone is interested see Christie O.
- VALENTINES PARTY on Saturday, Feb. 13 at 6PM. Please sign up in the foyer with number of children attending so we know how many to expect. Bring valentines and valentines candy for the children!

## PRAYERS REQUESTED

Neil Vick • Joe Nimmo • Evalyn Jordan • Ray Henderson • Deanna Friend • Maria Muniz • Paula Marani • Ella Collister • Marsha Harper • Wayde Wood • Terry Hopkins • Pat Galloway • Gaye Johnston • Shirley Jackson • Keely Brian • Kurt Unberger • Gerald Thompson • Julia Washburn • Ronnie Thornton • W.C. English • Kenneth Starks • Holly Mitcheson • J. D. Williams • Kaylin Denfip

## Additions From Last Week

- Evalyn Jordan is in the Murray Hospital undergoing rehabilitation - call her at 762-1436.
- Sympathy is expressed to Donnie Birsong and the Diane Higgins family.

## BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

January 17 - Lydia York                      January 30 - Bradley Dismore  
 February 1 - Sharon Brewer                February 2 - Katie Starks  
 February 4 - Johnny & Sue Beard        February 4 - Daisy Lee  
 February 5 - Kenneth Smothers         February 6 - Diana Guthrie

## RECORD

	Act.	Goal	1Yr. Ago
Sun. Sch.	98	125	101
Worsh. AM	141	150	146
Worsh. PM	91	125	162
Midweek	92	125	102
Offer	\$2824	\$3200	\$2697
Weekly Budget:	\$3000		

THIS WEEK'S BUS DRIVER IS MASON THOMPSON, CALL 437-4265

# Those To Serve

**This Week (1/24)**

**Next Week (1/31)**

**Announcements:**..... Daniel Walker..... Daniel Walker  
**Sunday AM Song Leader:**..... Jeff Edwards..... Steve Higgins  
**Scripture Reading:**..... Steve Starks..... Don Pringle  
**Lord's Supper Devotional:**..... Terry Henderson..... Ricky Collins  
**Greeters:**..... Dub & Phyllis Thorn..... Bill & Mary Dale  
**Sunday PM Song Leader:**..... Jeff Edwards..... Steve Higgins  
**Wed. PM Song Leader:**..... Jeff Edwards..... Steve Higgins

NEXT WEEK'S BUS DRIVER IS MARK REYNOLDS, CALL 527-2986

MISSION WORKS	
CHINA	\$300/MONTH
AFRICA	\$300/MONTH
T.R. WEBB	\$200/MONTH
NEW PATHWAYS	\$150/MONTH
GBN-TV	\$100/MONTH

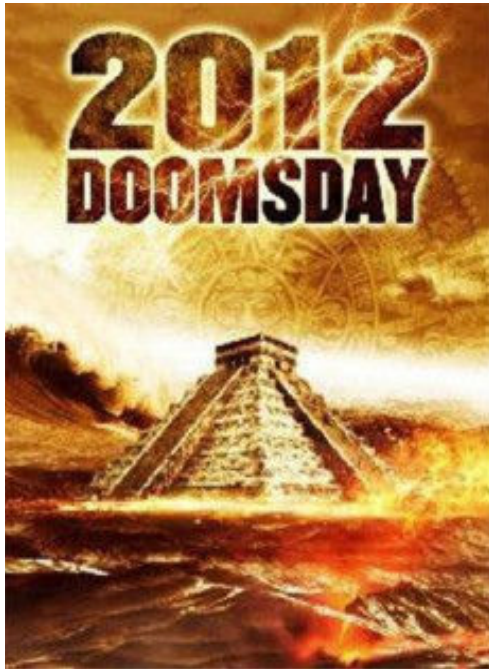
**LAST WEEK  
YOU BROUGHT**

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**VISITORS TO SERVICES WITH YOU!  
THANK YOU! BY INVITING AND BRINGING  
VISITORS YOU ARE MAKING THIS  
CHURCH GROW!!!**

**Britthaven:**  
Nadine Peck (126b)  
Pauline Shepherd (100)  
**Spring Creek:**  
Deloris Pritchard (113)  
Perry Cornwell (326)  
Margaret Grogan (314)  
**Stilley House:**  
Emma Powell (201)  
**At Home:**  
Mary Alice Johnston  
Sharon Brewer  
Terrell & Barbara Darnell

## 2012: End of the World?



Some time ago, Sony released Roland Emmerich's thriller about a global cataclysm that is scheduled to take place in 2012. With the release of this movie (which I have not seen, nor will see due to the language) we will be hearing more and more about speculations of 2012 being the end of the world.

As you may or may not know, the ancient Mayans predicted that the world would come to an end on December 21, 2012. The Mayans believed that the world would last through five cycles consisting of 5126 years. We, according to the Mayans, are living in that fifth cycle and the 5126 years will come to an end on December 21, 2012.

So could this be it? Are we nearing the end of the world? My question is: What would make one think that the Mayans had insight into the time of the end of the world? Grant it, they knew much about the heavens, the stars and their alignments, and the seasons. But these are the same people who thought the Sun in our solar system was a living god. These are the same people who thought that if they did not appease the god of the Sun with human sacrifices, it would refuse to rise in the morning.

As I see it, here's the bottom line. We have a choice to make. We will either believe the Bible which, concerning the end of time says, "But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, but My Father only" (Matthew 24:36), or will we will believe the Ancient Mayans who said the world would end on December 21, 2012. It's that simple.

If the Lord does not have it in His plans to return before 2012, the Ancient Mayans will just be another name added to an already long list of prognosticators and false prophets who have incorrectly guessed when the world would end, proving yet again that "God is true, but every man a liar" (Romans 3:4).

~Steve Higginbotham