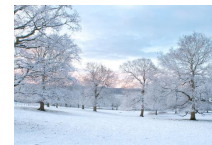


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January, 2011



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Dear Friends,

From Pastor George

Here we are again at the beginning of another new year. 2010 certainly has been a fantastic year in the life of Heartland. What an eye-opening time to see how God is using this church in so many different ways.

God has helped us to pay off a significant amount of the debt. We continue to watch our children grow and mature and have seen more weddings and many more of the next generation being born. How incredibly special it is for me to be a grandpa and have the wonderful privilege of baptizing Gabriella. God has brought and continues to bring us many new people of all ages from all over the country. We have a growing college/young adult group. Sunday School, women's retreats and Bible studies, small groups, pot providences, worship, outreach, seminary students, missionaries--we have truly been blessed this past year. But it is not enough to think back on those things and live in the past. We have a new year and many new possibilities in front of us in 2011.

A quick glance at the concordance shows us many uses of the word "new".

New Life	New Heart
New Creation	New Spirit
New Self	New Teaching
New Covenant	New Commandment



If there is anything true that we should take in to this new year with us, it is this. We are not the same old people or the same old church that we were last year. We should begin by understanding what God has done to make us new people—Christians. Once we begin to understand how deep and rich our salvation is, we will be ready to "walk in newness of life." Let's not settle for the old ways. Let's commit ourselves in this new year to press on to the higher calling of God in Christ. Commit to spending time with Him everyday. Read His Word. Pray. Study. Memorize. Fast. Share.

We have many exciting things facing us. We all need to ask, "What now?" What would God have us do as a church to prepare ourselves for a new year? Where is a place that I can use my gift or talent? Heartland will only be faithful as you are faithful. We will only be effective in ministry as you are involved and using your gifts. We will only grow as you continue to reach out to those around you and share Christ and invite them to come. Our leaders will be able to minister as you hold them up in prayer and follow their lead.

I pray this year you will be overwhelmed with the greatness of our God and His love for you. I pray you will be humbled by the grace extended to forgive your sins and make you His child. I pray you will be motivated to honor Him by the ministry that lies ahead--"the fields are white for harvest". I pray you will be challenged to separate yourself from the things of this world and fix your eyes on Jesus. I pray you will be excited to be a part of a body that desires to grow in maturity and encourage each other. I pray you will dedicate yourself to raising your children in the nurture and instruction of the Lord.

I want to take this opportunity to thank all of you who have so faithfully served over this past year. Our music, Bible studies, small groups, family worship, potlucks, Sunday School, youth ministry, building, finances, etc. are all a tribute to Christ working in you and your hard work for Christ. We could not have been as effective in our ministry without your dedication. I praise God for your faithfulness.



Finally, "*Sing to the LORD a new song; Sing to the LORD, all the earth. 2 Sing to the LORD, bless His name; Proclaim good tidings of His salvation from day to day. 3 Tell of His glory among the nations, His wonder-*

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ful deeds among all the peoples. 4 For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised;" (Psalm 96:1-4)

Remember the wonderful deeds of God, sing Him a new song of praise in this coming year and proclaim good tidings of His salvation through Jesus. May He receive all of the glory and honor that He alone deserves!

Pressing on in the New Year!

George



FT Job Opening
Data Entry Position
Kahrs Law Offices
Call Benjamin Bailey 425-0085

Blackberry & Raspberry Jam for sale \$5 ea, proceeds to HCC Mercy Ministry.—See Heidi Whitman

Josiah Wegener is home for the holidays and needs to earn some money for insurance & gas. He's a good handyman & willing to do a variety of tasks. Call 347-0032.



CAN YOU HELP? We're needing someone who is knowledgeable of plants to oversee the live plants at the church. Some of our plants are needing attention but we're not sure what they need. If you would be willing to serve in this area and work with the maintenance staff advising them how to care for the plants, please contact Richard Awtry at richard.awtry@sbcglobal.net or call the church office at 686-0060.



HEARTLAND LADIES' RETREAT: Mark your calendars for the retreat at the Airport Hilton, February 18th & 19th, 2011. We are looking for ladies who would like to help with this year's retreat. The theme of the retreat is **"Fear Not, Faint Not."** If you have a willing heart to serve in this way, please contact Kristi Lewis at kllewis24@gmail.com.

Ladies Winter/Spring Bible Studies
Starting Soon!

Isaiah Part 2 will be starting on Wed, Jan 12th in the church library at 9:00 a.m. Feel free to jump in even if you missed Part 1. Contact: Vicki Granberry for materials and Sherry Haslam for childcare.

A second ladies study will be led by Kathy Morris starting in January as well. Details will follow soon in the bulletin....Please call Kathy for more information or if you have interest.

Joy *Peace*
Goodness
Gentleness
Kindness
Patience
Self-Control
faithfulness



A CONTINUING TRADITION

(From Pastor Rick)

One thing about being Presbyterian, if you do something more than once it is considered a tradition. In that sense I have begun a tradition as the past two years I have used my January Pastor's Pen to recommend a reading list for the upcoming year. So in light of this tradition below is my 2011 book list that I present to you for your consideration & enjoyment.



***In Christ Alone: Reflections on the Heart of the Gospel* by Sinclair Ferguson**

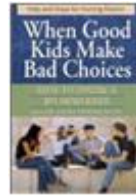
-- Ferguson explores aspects of the person and work of Jesus in his latest book, *In Christ Alone*. Reflections on the Heart of the Gospel. This collection of articles, published earlier in Table Talk magazine and Eternity Magazine, is designed to help believers gain a better understanding of their Savior and the Christian faith, and to live out that faith in their day-to-day lives. In fifty short chapters arranged in six sections, Dr. Ferguson shows that Christ, who is fully God, took on humanity that He might be the Great High Priest of His people as well as the once-for-all sacrifice; that He now ministers to His people through His Spirit, crowning them with great and precious blessings; and that believers are called to duty, from cultivating contentment to mortifying sin. *In Christ Alone* is packed full of nuggets of Scriptural truth that will spark and fan the flames of the believer's love for the Savior who is so beautiful in His person and so faithful in His work on behalf of His beloved sheep.



***The Masculine Mandate: God's Calling to Men* by Richard Phillips**

-- There is a crying need in the church today for men to be men. But competing visions for what a man is to be some growing out of popular culture and others arising from flawed teaching in the church are exacerbating the problem. Richard Phillips believes it is possible to cut through all of this confusion by consulting the Bible. Only in the pages of Scripture, he asserts, can men find a clear explanation of their God-given roles as leaders, husbands, fathers, and churchmen. Beginning in Genesis, Phillips shows that God commissioned Adam to work and tend the Garden of Eden. In these twin tasks, he perceives a template for manhood, one that, when carried out with diligence, provides dignity to men, service to mankind, and glory to God. He then goes on to show that men are called to lead, to love their wives, to discipline their children, and to serve the church of Jesus Christ. Here is biblical exposition of the most

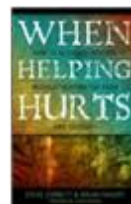
practical sort teaching that reveals not only what men are to think but what they are to be.



***When Good Kids Make Bad Choices: Help and Hope for Hurting Parents* by Elyse Fitzpatrick**

-- There is perhaps no greater fear in a parent's heart than the thought that a much-loved and well-cared-for child will make bad choices or even become a prodigal.

What are parents to do in such circumstances? Authors Jim Newheiser and Elyse Fitzpatrick speak from years of personal experience as both parents and biblical counselors about how hurting parents can deal with the emotional trauma of when a child goes astray. They offer concrete hope and encouragement along with positive steps parents can take even in the most negative situations. Includes excellent advice from Dr. Laura Hendrickson regarding medicines commonly prescribed to problem children, and offers questions parents can ask pediatricians before using behavioral medications. A heartfelt and practical guide for parents.



***When Helping Hurts: How to Alleviate Poverty Without Hurting the Poor...and Yourself* by Steve Corbett and Brian Fikkert**

-- Churches and individual Christians typically have faulty assumptions about the causes of poverty, resulting in the use of strategies that do considerable harm to poor people and themselves. *When Helping Hurts* provides foundational concepts, clearly articulated general principles and relevant applications. The result is an effective and holistic ministry to the poor, not a truncated gospel. A situation is assessed for whether relief, rehabilitation, or development is the best response to a situation. Efforts are characterized by an "asset based" approach rather than a "needs based" approach. Short term mission efforts are addressed and microenterprise development (MED) is explored.

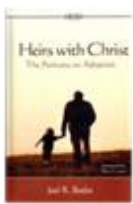


***Children at the Lord's Table: Assessing the Case for Paedocommunion* by Cornelis Venema**

-- A growing trend among Reformed churches is the practice of admitting young children to the Lord's

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Supper. In *Children at the Lord's Table?*, Cornelis P. Venema provides an insightful analysis of the theoretical arguments used by advocates of this recent trend. After clarifying terms and explaining arguments often made in favor of paedocommunion, he considers the history of the church's confessions, teaching, and practice regarding the proper recipients of the Lord's Supper. Presenting a historical, exegetical, and systematic treatment of the subject, Venema demonstrates the validity and value of having covenant children partake of first communion subsequent to their personal profession of faith. This is an invaluable resource for every pastor within the Reformed tradition.



***Heirs with Christ: The Puritans on Adoption* by Joel Beeke**

-- The Puritans have gotten bad press for their supposed lack of teaching on the doctrine of spiritual adoption. In *Heirs with Christ*, Joel R. Beeke dispels this caricature and shows that the Puritan era did more to advance the idea that every true Christian is God's adopted child than any other age of church history. This little book lets the Puritans speak for themselves, showing how they recognized adoption's far-reaching, transforming power and comfort for the children of God.



***Republocrat: Confessions of a Liberal Conservative* by Carl Trueman**

– Politics has become something of a joke - but not a funny one. 'Sound-bite' and 'knee-jerk' have replaced reasoned debate and the Church appears to wear a one-size-fits-all political jacket. Isn't it time to think a bit deeper? Carl Trueman takes you on a readable, provocative, and lively romp through Christianity and politics.



***Meet the Puritans: With A Guide to Modern Reprints* by Joel Beeke and Randall Pederson**

- The Puritans were unmatched in their ability to combine deep, theological thinking with warm, practical living. In recent decades, many of their writings have been brought back into print but few Christians know who these men were or why their works are worth reading. In *Meet the Puritans*, Joel R. Beeke and Randall J. Pederson go a long way toward alleviating this problem. This resource provides biographical introductions to every Puritan

whose work has been republished in recent decades. Along with each biography is a guide to the written works of that Puritan author.

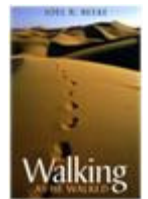


***Puritan Reformed Spirituality: A Practical Biblical Study from Reformed and Puritan Heritage* by Joel Beeke**

-- In these pages Dr Joel Beeke provides us with a first class tour of some of the great sites of Reformed theology and spirituality. Here we meet John Calvin, reformer extraordinaire; then we encounter the learned Dr William Ames and the insightful Anthony Burgess. Soon we have travelled north to meet the Scotsmen John Brown of Haddington, the great Thomas Boston and the remarkable brothers, Ebenezer and Ralph Erskine. Predictably, but happily our guide brings us to The Netherlands and to the time of the Nadere Reformatie, before being brought back to the New World in the company of the remarkable Theodorus Jacobus Freylinghuysen. But the climax of this tour is not reached until our trusted guide has brought us to the family roots from which all these theologians and pastors came—to the strong foundations of Christian living in justification by faith and sanctification in life, nourished by the power of biblical preaching.

Also, consider the following:

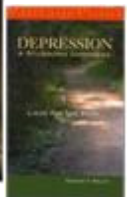
Walking as He Walked
by Joel Beeke



Decisions, Decisions: How (and How Not) to Make Them
by Dave Swavely



Depression - A Stubborn Darkness: Light for the Path
by Edward Welch



What Did You Expect?: Redeeming the Realities of Marriage by Paul Tripp



The Family at Church: Listening to Sermons and Attending Prayer Meetings by Joel Beeke





If I may be of any assistance to you in your reading venture, please let me know.

I pray that you have a most blessed New Year!!
In Christ, Rick



January



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 NEW YEAR'S DAY
2 <i>Lord's Day</i> <i>Communion and Mercy Offering</i> NO SUNDAY SCHOOL	3 <i>Pastor Rick's Day Off</i>	4	5 Choir Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.	6 Session 6:30 p.m.	7 <i>Pastor George's Day Off</i>	8 Men's Basketball Open Gym 8:00 am
9 <i>Lord's Day</i> Change Hearts/ Lives Sm Group 6:00 pm	10 <i>Pastor Rick's Day Off</i>	11 Deacon Mtg 6:30 pm Prayer Team Mtg 7:00 pm	12 (2) Women's Bible Studies: 9-11 am	13	14 <i>Pastor George's Day Off</i> Theology Night 7:00 p.m.	15 Men's Basketball Open Gym 8:00 am
16 <i>Lord's Day</i> Homeless Outreach Ministry 7:00 am POT PROVIDENCE	17 <i>Pastor Rick's Day Off</i>	18 Finance Mtg 7:00 am	19 (2) Women's Bible Studies: 9-11 am	20 Session 6:30pm	21 <i>Pastor George's Day Off</i> <i>WIT Training</i> 7:00 p.m.	22 Men's Basketball Open Gym 8:00 am
23 <i>Lord's Day</i> Change Hearts/ Lives Sm Group 6:00 pm	24 <i>Pastor Rick's Day Off</i>	25 	26 FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	27	28 <i>Pastor George's Day Off</i>	29 Men's Basketball Open Gym 8:00 am
30 <i>Lord's Day</i> <i>5th Sunday High School (Jt Mtg)</i>	31 <i>Pastor Rick's Day Off</i>	7pm - 10:00pm Evening Prayer	(2) Women's Bible Studies: 9-11 am			

NURSERY SCHEDULE



Sunday School 9:00-10:35

Worship 10:35-12:??

Jan 2	NO SUNDAY SCHOOL	Deb, Daniel & Timothy Johnson/ Anne Wegener
Jan 9	Rachel & Kaitlyn Bouma/ Erin Sundquist	Mark & Sherri Kahrs/Carrigans/ Stephen Paine
Jan 16	Ryan & Erin Frost/ John & Rolaine Hetherington	Leanne & Ellen Kurtzweil/ Abigail Fetzek/Beth Frank/ Lois Johnson
Jan 23	Phoebe Vigilius/Kay Coon/ Kathy & Will Morris	Willis Family/Lisa Paine
Jan 30	Whitman/Lauren Pohlenz	Bouma Family/Jane Shelden
Feb 6	Phillips/Ralph Drayer/ Arryn Parker	Castro-Miller/Rebekah Waalkes



- 1: Daniel Johnson
- 2: Will Morris
- 3: Zachary Dugger
Jared Maness
- 5: Dean Kubacz
- 6: Ben Franks
Cary Humphries
Nicole Strain
- 7: John Hetherington
Lois Johnson
Katie Kahrs
Jackson Wegener
- 9: Bob Crook
- 11: Nevada Castro-Miller
- 14: Ashley Granberry
- 15: Caroline Kuhlman
Phillip Kurtzweil
Ashley Lawrence
Amanda Maness
- 18: Mary Kay Larson
- 19: Justin Maness
- 21: Caleb Morris
- 22: James Compton
Adam Parker
- 25: Callista Tinius
- 26: Dacia Droke
- 27: Loa Kay Welles
- 28: George Bruce
- 30: Erin Frost
Emma Gertz
- 31: Dallas Crist
Peter Fetzik

Worshippers In Training Schedule

Date	Lesson	Music	Trainer	Helpers
1/2	Pg. 250	Trammell	Larson	A Hetherington
1/9	Pg. 251	Trammell	Haslam	Sarah Waalkes
1/16	Pg. 253	Trammell	Trammell	Nathan Franks, Lois Johnson
1/23	Pg. 255	Trammell	Ben Franks	Fetzik
1/30	Pg. 258	Trammell	Larson	Sarah Waalkes Jane Shelden

Date	Prayer of Confession	Prayer of Thanks/Supplication
1/2/11	Jens Lukoschat	Matt Phillips
1/9/11	Roger Mathews	Bryan Yourdon
1/16/11	Dave Maness	George Bruce
1/23/11	Brian Nelson	Steve Castro-Miller
1/30/11	Stan Osborne	Phil Elder
2/6/11	Larry Paarmann	Rick Franks

GREETERS

January: Jason & Amy Wegener Family

February: Bryan & Abby Hannaford

Please arrive at 10:15 a.m.



Worshippers in Training is beginning the process of getting our WITs together for 2011! And we need you!

- We are offering opportunities to serve the Lord through this ministry for those who meet the qualifications.
- What is WIT all about? Through Worshipers In Training our goal is to assist parents in training their children to come into God's presence having a better understanding of who God is and what He has done. We strive to help His little ones express their gratitude and thankfulness in a worshipful manner so that they can become active participants in corporate worship. We do this through training children in four different areas: music, prayer, Bible reading, and memory verses.
- What qualifications does a worker need? All workers need to be regularly attending members of Heartland Community Church and be willing to make a one year commitment.
- How can you serve? It depends on what area you are interested in. Positions are available as **Music Workers, Trainers, and Helpers**. •For detailed descriptions see the extra inserts in the bulletin basket, visit the WIT sign up table in the foyer, or visit with Nyccole Swigart for more information 747-3225 or ForHis-Glory.nyccole@gmail.com

Serve With us through **W.I.t.**

1. **Music Workers** must be high school age or older with the ability to teach and lead 3&4 year olds in a variety of Bible based songs, the books of the Bible, Hymns, and the Doxology. These songs can be done purely as vocals or with the help of small instruments that you would provide if desired. Music Workers have a set schedule of songs that will be sung each week. These songs vary depending on the month with the freedom to add songs that have been approved. The music time varies from 10-15 minutes.
2. **Trainers** must be at least 18 years old with the ability to lead the 3&4 year olds in this time of training for worship. The Trainer will lead all activities except for music time. Trainers are expected to teach the four different aspects of prayer (A.C.T.S.) that are used during worship at Heartland. Trainers will help the children improve their listening skills as they read Scripture aloud to them asking comprehension questions as often as needed. Trainers can use various ways to help the children hide God's Word in their hearts through Scripture memory verses. The Trainer is required to be properly trained in how to lead the prayer time, lesson time, and memory work. They will also be responsible for keeping to the schedule, holding to the guidelines for leading the lesson, and the other aspects of the WIT time.
3. **Helpers** must be at least 18 years old with the ability to get down on the children's level to help them one on one in this training process. A helper has a desire to see the kids actively participate appropriately in each aspect of WIT. The helper will be responsible for coming along side and assisting the Trainers and Music workers as they lead. Helpers will encourage the kids to be quiet, sing, or participate in appropriate ways at the correct time. Helpers will also be primarily responsible for discipline when needed. This involves quiet reminders, hall time where a script with appropriate Scriptures will be provided, and if necessary they will go get the parents to take further disciplining measures. The Helper will be properly trained in all areas including discipline.



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prayer@heartlandPCA.org
Pictures of Students -
heartlandworship@gmail.com
Church Directory Updates -
heartlandoffice@att.net
Articles & Announcements -
heartlandoffice@att.net
(includes monthly newsletter,
weekly Heartland Enews
and Sunday Bulletin Announcements)

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*Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he
is a new creature; the old things
passed away; behold, new things
have come. 2 Corinthians 5:17*

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Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
Worship 10:35 a.m.

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Community Church

Senior Pastor:

George Granberry - *Worship*

Associate Pastor:

Rick Franks - *Ministry*

Elders:

George Bruce

Steve Castro-Miller - *Special Projects*

Phil Elder - *Evangelism*

Gary Gensch - *Prayer*

Bryan Hanning - *Stewardship*

Mike Hull - *Prayer*

Ron Johnson - *Teaching*

Jeff Morris

Matt Phillips - *Missions*

Stan Shelton

Rocky Trammell

LaVern Waaikes - *Teaching*

Brad Welles

Bryan Yourdon - *Community*

Deacons:

Phil Chalmers - *Congregational Care*

Barry Malcom - *Facilities*

Steve Paris

Terry Peterson - *Stewardship*

Others:

John Hethington - *Mercy*