

## Sermon Notes

### A Prayer for the New Year

- I. **God is** \_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 1-2)  
Before the \_\_\_\_\_ — God is! Before the \_\_\_\_\_ — God is! From \_\_\_\_\_ to everlasting — God is!
- II. **God is** \_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 1-2)  
a. God is the constant \_\_\_\_\_ for His people.  
b. Even in God's punishment He still provides for the \_\_\_\_\_.
- III. **God is** \_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 3-6)  
a. Sin brought \_\_\_\_\_. (not God's will).  
b. God \_\_\_\_\_ life.  
c. God \_\_\_\_\_.
- IV. **God is** \_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 7-11)  
a. God is \_\_\_\_\_.  
Justice — \_\_\_\_\_ what you deserve.  
b. God is \_\_\_\_\_.  
Mercy — \_\_\_\_\_ getting what you deserve.  
c. God is \_\_\_\_\_.  
Grace — getting what you \_\_\_\_\_ deserve.
- V. **God is** \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_. (v. 12)  
a. \_\_\_\_\_ wisdom.  
b. \_\_\_\_\_ and apply God's Word.  
c. \_\_\_\_\_.  
d. \_\_\_\_\_ your limitations.  
e. \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus better.
- I \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ God better, numbering my days so as to \_\_\_\_\_  
**God's wisdom.**

## Welcome to *Bethlehem Church of Christ*

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Tom Claibourne, Preaching Minister

Derek James, Associate Minister



"Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain a heart of wisdom."

— Psalm 90:12

**December 27, 2015**

## Order of Worship

(Please pass the blue books located at the end of each pew.)

*Here I Am to Worship*

*Christmas Offering / 10,000 Reasons*

*What a Day That Will Be* 283

*Amazing Love*

*It Is Well with My Soul* 554

*That Old Rugged Cross* 233



All disciples of Jesus are invited to partake as the emblems are passed.

Offering to God - Guests are welcome to participate, or may simply place the visitor card in the plate.

Message Derek James

*Gentle Shepherd* 626

Decisions

Closing reminders

## Bethlehem News

### More Opportunities Today

5:00 - Leave BCC to sing at the Veterans' Home; return to BCC for food & fellowship.

### This Week

Monday - Mom's Prayer Group, 6:30 pm  
"War Room" movie night to kick off the group. Bring a drink & snack to share.  
Thursday - Lock-In, teens  
Saturday - Men's Prayer Breakfast, 7:00 am, sign up in the foyer.

### Next Sunday

Start off the new year right by worshiping with us and bringing a friend. Everyone will be encouraged to wear a name tag to help us all get better acquainted.

It will be a special Sunday as we also ordain Bob, Josh, & Danny as new deacons.

### Sunday Evening Programming

Youth groups and adult growth opportunities will begin at 6:00 pm January 10.

Next Sunday evening will be an important night of preparation and prayer for 2016 at BCC.

### Bethlehem Basketball

Begins January 6th, 7:00 pm

### Christmas Flowers

If you donated a Christmas poinsettia you may take one home today, or as a gift to someone else.

### "War Room" is Here!

Debbie Smiley has donated a copy of this great movie on prayer. If you did not get to see it in theaters, make sure you check it out of our library.

## Christmas Card Box

Please check the box for cards that have been "sent" to your family, or others you might be able to deliver to someone who is not here.

### 2016 Bible Reading Programs

Several options are available in the foyer for 2016 (Whole Bible, Gospels, New Testament, Psalms & Proverbs, etc. The December 27th issue of the LOOKOUT magazines offers another program for the whole Bible.

Please sign the sheet if you completed one of the options in 2015 and the other sheet if you plan to participate in 2016.

### New Pictorial Directory

Each family who was photographed for the directory has a copy labeled for them in the foyer.

### Free Calendars

You may pick up one of the beautiful calendars from Meeker Funeral Home in the foyer, as well as your BCC January events and prayer calendars.

### Do Your Part

Several 6-month ministries are available on a list in the foyer (bell-ringing, baptistry, cleaning, pencil sharpening, etc.). Please sign up if you can help. If you are currently performing something on the list and plan to continue, please sign up again.

### New Address & Phone Number

Frank & Pat Gelter  
7380 Ridgepoint Dr.  
Unit 1  
Cincinnati, OH 45230  
513-429-4124

## Join Us in Praying

- ✚ Praise God for being the eternal Lord God not bound by time.
- ✚ Thank God for His blessings in 2015.
- ✚ Pray for the submission & courage to follow Jesus completely in 2016.
- ✚ William & Anya Masse - as they establish their new life and work in Lyon, France.
- ✚ December Mission Focus: Christian Workers (Matt. 9:37-38)
- ✚ Jack Downs - still in Atlanta Hospital; has some kidney issues which may be a result of chemo.
- ✚ Family of Olive Shafer - she passed away Dec. 19th; Shirley Lewis' aunt.
- ✚ Continued prayer List - Linda Barnes, Eunice Burgess, Fred Dodson, Carolyn Fraley, Marty Furnish, Daisy Gill, Beth Glenn, Kathy Grooms, Jo Hanson, Harry Hobson, Delores Holtzclaw, Ken Holtzclaw, Judy Hughes, Fred Huston, D. J. King, Edna Lung, James Moore, Christine McKenzie, Lloyd & Charlene McQuery, Dayne Michael, Alta Murphy, Danny Naylor, Patty Naylor, Pete Palmer, Emma Pfankuch, Mary Powell, Win & Mary Rayburn, Gordon Schrichten, Phyllis Scott, Tim Spires, Linda Thompson, Shawn Wagner.
- ✚ Other:

**Cleaning Teams:** Bales Family  
Josh & Kristen Souder/Cora & Melissa Lacey

**Nursery (3) Coordinator:** Melissa Brown

9:30 am - Melanie Ohnewehr  
10:30 am - Jo & Cassidy Davis