

Pastor's Corner

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Greetings in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord,

Well, judging by the radio and the weather we have come to that time of year again. As that old song goes, "It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas." I realize that this time of year things get very busy and there are times when we wonder if we will get everything done. Let's be sure that we STOP, and take time to truly remember the meaning of the season. It is always nice to spend time with family and friends; however, I hope that you will set aside time to spend with God, too. God has blessed us greatly over the past year. Ebenezer continues to grow and reach out into the community and to its own. As your pastor, I have been richly blessed and cannot begin to express the appreciation I feel for your prayers, your love, and your support.

I recognize and understand that there are many who are concerned about the upcoming year. Again, I am reminded of the Scripture found in Matthew 6:25; "Do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear." I know we ask ourselves, "How can I not help but worry." But we are reminded "... your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things." We are a people of faith, and we must believe that God is still on the throne—and that God has NEVER failed to fulfill his promises.

Which brings us to the Christmas season. "For unto us a child is born..." It is not about what we have or what we give, but remembering that a Savior was born. We must remember that, "All things can be done for the one who believes" (Mark 9:23). Together with God there is nothing that can stand in our way. I recall a city that stood in the way of God's people and the Promise Land. Think about it!

Peace be with you

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