HIGHLAND CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

January 2020

Highland Church reaches out in the name of Jesus Christ building disciples with vision for ministry.

"But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law", (Galatians 4:4)

Written in Greek, the New Testament uses two words for **time**, *chronos* and *kairos*. Though both meanings describe time, they are used in different context.

As root of *Chronos* implies, it means chronological, the sequential order of events. When I was in the military, as the end of our time of service passed the one year mark, we would start telling people the number of days we had left. Those are the days you mark a big X on the calendar when they pass. It is the time that you can't wait to get here.

The second word used is *Kairos*. The definition of this word for **time** is better suited for our text. Rev. James W. Moore in his book <u>Seizing the Moment</u>, describes *kairos* as "those rich, extra-special, significant, dramatic moments that are packed with meaning, moments that stand out and stay with you for a lifetime." (p.16) Pam and I can recall the *kairos* we spent in New York City last Christmas. We may not exactly remember the sequence of the day's events, but the time we had together was extra special and forever in our memory.

God offers us opportunities to serve him and invites us to be part of something great. We are the people, this is the place and now is the time!

¹¹"And do this, **knowing the time**, that now it is **high time** to awake out of sleep; for now our salvation is nearer than when we first believed. ¹² The night is far spent, **the day is at hand**. Therefore let us cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light. ¹³ Let us walk properly, as in the day, not in revelry and drunkenness, not in lewdness and lust, not in strife and envy. ¹⁴ But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to fulfill its lusts." (Romans 13:11-14)

Blessings, Bro. Bud

CPWM

The CPWM did not meet in December. We did, however, host our Ladies and Girls Christmas Dinner. Thank you to all who attended and helped get ready. It was a very festive night as we rang in the Advent Season with the bells led by Cindy Robertson. Thank you so much Cindy and Suzan Roberts for assisting her. We had a really nice time. If you were unable to attend, we hope you can in 2020. On the Sunday before Christmas we distributed Christmas gift cards to our seniors and shut-ins.

Our January meeting will be the first Monday, Jan. 6 at 10:00.

Session Highlights

Items approved at the December meeting:

- * Bro. Bud will be on vacation Dec. 26 Jan 2
- * The Gift to the King offering will be collected during the Children's Christmas Program. It will go to the Lopez Family, missionaries serving in Madrid, Spain.
- * Use a Church Development Study as the basis for monthly devotions in the session meetings.
- * Year end gifts for personnel and worship assistants defined.

Welcome New Members

Tracy Chessor - December 22 Larry and Jeanie Mullen - December 29

New Baby

Scott and Morgan Cunningham announce the birth of their son, Jonathan Lee Cunningham on December 23.

December Numbers

Stewardship Report as of December 30, 2019

Receipts \$ 31,506.56 Disbursements \$ 25,493.04

Attendance Record

December 1 - 105

December 8 - 102

December 15 - 121

December 22 - 133

December 29 - 70

January Calendar

January 6 - CPWM, 10:00 a.m.

.January 8 - Wednesday activities resume

January 15 - Adult Bible Trivia Night

January 16 - Highlanders to Lamberts

January 19 - Session meeting, 2:00 p.m.

January 23 - C. Pioneers, The Parlor, 9:00 am

Ushers - Randy Hughes, Johnny Overton,

Outreach/Mission Projects

Gift to the King offering \$747.00 for the Lopez family, missionaries to Madrid, Spain Thank you to everyone who collected and participated.

January Children's Church

- 1 The boy Jesus at the Temple, Luke 2:41-52 Knowing God is the most important thing.
- 2 Jesus' Baptism, John 1:19-42
 If you want to know God, start with Jesus
- 3 Jesus is Tempted, Luke 4:1-13
 Discovering what's in the Bible can help you make the wise choice.
- 4 Jesus and John the Baptist, Matt. 11:1-6
 If you don't understand something about
 God, ask.

Youth News



GraceCONVO
January 18 and 19, 2020
Gatlinburg, TN

Pray for the 610 youth and leaders of 67 CP Churches as they worship together. Highland is sending six adults and twelve youth.

<u>Christmas Parade</u> We placed second overall in the Holiday Theme category "Christmas Around the World." Thank you to Randy and Melissa Dumes for all their hard work constructing the float and to everyone who helped decorate, walk or play a bell.

January Birthdays

- 8 Elaine Kaye
- 9 Joanne Robinson
- 10 Suzanne Goehman
- 13 Jamie Gamble
 - Matt Stowell
- 16 Ashlee Bryan
- 20 Bob Gross
- 23 Jimmy Finnell Brandon Cooper
- 25 Dick Kaye
- 26 Randy Hughes
- 28 Velva Mullen
- 30 Ethan Olmeda

January Anniversaries

- 12 Happy and Mary Katherine Rudolph (1951)
- 14 Allen and Reba Rushing
- 27 Gregg and Bettie Stoll