



THE GOOD NEWS

Lake Gibson Methodist Church

To be a joyful church family that is crucial to our community



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Hello Lake Gibson Family,

Scripture: Philippians 3:7-21

"But everything that was a gain to me, I have considered to be a loss because of Christ. More than that, I also consider everything to be a loss in view of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. Because of Him I have suffered the loss of all things and consider them filth, so that I may gain Christ and be found in Him, not having a righteousness of my own from the law, but one that is through faith in Christ—the righteousness from God based on faith."

Consider This:

"Moving Forward"

How many of you have made New Year's resolutions? I have read that in America, 25% of us blow or discard our resolutions by the end of the first day. Change can be so difficult that even people who want to change will most likely fall back into old patterns and not make change permanent. Why does this happen? There are several reasons a person may resort back to old ways or habits.

One reason is because we don't set the right pace. Setting the right pace means strategically setting small goals that are easily obtainable. Whatever you set your mind on to change or do, make it realistically obtainable.

Another reason permanent change is so hard is that we continue to hang around people who knew us before the change—we maintain old relationships and life patterns that don't allow or recognize change in us! It's often easier to change who you are when you make a clean break and get a fresh start.

Paul had everything going for him from a human point of view—he was THE guy and had it all. But nothing he could DO could make him right in God's eyes. Paul had to change his perspective—Christians are given a new goal—to know Christ and to be conformed to him. And, just as Paul had to change his orientation, we need to change ours. Fixating on the past prevents us from focusing on the now or moving forward into tomorrow.

2025 is here. Admit that it's time for a change. Go ahead and make resolutions that take you from where you are to where you should be going. Be intentional about taking steps toward the coming future. No matter what, refuse to let anything pull you back. Walk in the freedom and newness that comes from a life following Jesus.

Rev. Robert Rember, Jr



HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM PRAYER MINISTRY-2025



“I URGE YOU, FIRST OF ALL, TO PRAY FOR ALL PEOPLE. AS YOU MAKE YOUR REQUESTS, PLEAD FOR GOD’S MERCY UPON THEM AND GIVE THANKS”. 1 TIMOTHY 2:1 NLT

Welcome Prayer Warriors to a New Year of Praying for others as Christians in faith and service to our God. We give thanks to our Prayer Warriors for their dedication to God’s calling us to pray for one another and being a part of our prayer ministry outreach. Whether you have served faithfully for years, or if you have joined our prayer email team or visitation team this past year, we give thanks for your service. We thank God for the special connection of Christian faith.

Blessings for good health and dedication to our mission in the New Year.

Grace and Peace to all.

Prayer Ministry

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Lake Gibson Women In Mission

Attention!! Attention!! Attention!!

Ladies our circle meeting has been changed for January and January ONLY! We will meet on January 8th at 10:00 AM in the FLC in rooms 1 & 2 to continue our study from Billy Grahams Book about Angels. We will be studying Chapter 7. Don't forget to put it on your calendar! A group of ladies will go out to lunch after the meeting.

Your participation in the Christmas party was appreciated. If you forgot your donation to the Lake Gibson Food Bank or would like to contribute to the food bank you can do so at this January 8th meeting.

**HAD A BUMPER CROP OF PIE PUMPKIN SEEDS
AND SEEDLINGS. WOULD BE HAPPY TO BLESS
ANYONE WHO MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN GROWING
THEIR OWN SQUASH AND PIE PUMPKINS. CONTACT
BARB ALLEN-COIL AT 863-450-5488.**

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The articles contained in *The Good News* express the opinions of their authors, and do not necessarily reflect policies of the Methodist Church or of Lake Gibson Methodist Church.

The purpose of the newsletter is to foster better communication of ideas and opportunities for worship and service among LGMC members and friends as we seek to share God's love and make disciples of Jesus Christ. All members and constituents are encouraged to write articles and share their thoughts and photos with the congregation.

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January Birthdays

01/02	Joe Moon	01/18	Bobbie Clarke
01/04	Rochelle McBride	01/26	Barb Allen-Coil
01/06	Louis Miller	01/27	Linda Alvarez
01/11	Lexie Otte	01/30	Jackie Webb

January 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Happy New Years From Your Church Family! 5pm - Vacation Bible School	2 5pm - Vacation Bible School	3 5pm - Vacation Bible School	4 5pm - Vacation Bible School
5 10:30am - VBS Celebration 3pm - Girl Scouts	6	7 11am - Staff Meeting	8 10am - Women in Mission 6:30pm - Girl Scouts Choir Practice	9 6:30pm - Girl Scout Leadership Meeting	10 7pm - Westward Road Concert	11 Jeremiah 29:11 "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."
12 10:30am - Church Service 4pm - Youth Group	13	14	15 10am - Merry Matters 6:30pm - Girl Scouts Choir Practice	16	17	18 11am - Ladies Lunch at Cracker Barrel
19 10:30am - Church Service 3pm - Girl Scouts 4pm - Youth Group	20 2pm - Church Council Meeting	21	22 10am - Merry Matters 6:30pm - Girl Scouts Choir Practice	23	24 4pm - Youth Group Night at Universal	25 Matthew 6:33 "But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you."
26 10:30am - Church Service 4pm - Youth Group	27 10am - WIM Leadership Meeting	28 11am - Staff Meeting	29 10am - Merry Matters 6:30pm - Girl Scouts Choir Practice	30	31	