

Dear friends at MCC,

Yes, we are taking the big leap from 2020 to 2021! Some would say it didn't come too soon. Ordinarily I would never want to rush time; however, just maybe this once, maybe it is time to finally turn the page and take on the New Year. It is likely 2021 will have enough challenges of its own. You know what, Jesus, while preaching what has become known as "the Sermon on the Mount" told us how to best deal with what is ahead of us: *But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. Therefore, do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.* (Matthew 6:33-34)

So as we begin a New Year and end an Old Year, let's reflect a bit and look forward to what lies ahead through: <u>cheers, tears, jeers, years, and fears</u>.

First of all, <u>cheers</u> to all of you as part of the McCutchanville Community Church. You have enriched our church to the glory of God through your prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness. Keep it up in the New <u>Year</u>!

Repeatedly in Scripture, God reassured his people (Joseph & Mary for instance) telling them to "<u>Fear</u> not." Friends, that is wonderful advice for us today to enter the <u>year</u> with the knowledge that Jesus overcame sin and death, and offers us the power of the Holy Spirit to be our refuge and strength. Heartfelt <u>tears</u> to so many affected by the COVID virus which is now overlapping our <u>years</u>. With the virus in mind, <u>cheers</u> for the scientific community who have presented us with a vaccination. We pray for its success and safety.

I give so much praise to God for providing God's Kids for our church. The ministry of the church truly does intersect with our pre-school, even though we don't often interact. With a children's program there are **tears, cheers, and fears**. We have been protected from the **fearful** virus. We have wiped away **tears** of fearful children not ready to be separated from their parents. And we have them **cheered** them on through sharing Jesus with them. I pray we can continue into the New **Year** with God's provision and protection for both our children and staff.

I don't like to use the word <u>jeers</u> – we see it far to often directed toward politicians, referees, people with opposite views, bad drivers, etc. Is it possible in the New <u>Year</u> that we can be greater <u>cheer</u> leaders for one another? I pray we can, and it should begin with each of us.

We had the joy in December to <u>cheerfully</u> welcome Frank & Julie Morgan as new members. Also, Mary Getz transferred her membership in September to MCC.

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New front/porch of the house



Kitchen updates



Upstairs bedroom. Notice the ceiling fans





Nice storage area upstairs



The parsonage renovation is making great progress thanks to several dedicated MCC members. Led by John Swope and Victor Doty, they are turning "This Old House" into a beautiful modern FarmHouse Cottage. You will be pleased to find all the modern conveniences while maintaining the old world charm of the original structure.

The great room and kitchen offer an open concept applicable to today's living. There is a half bath and laundry in the back hall. Also on the main level is the master bedroom with a private bath and 2 closets. Upstairs there are 2 large bedrooms with walk -in closets, a large storage closet, and another full bath. You will be proud to call this your church parsonage. Some of the lighting is installed and the walls have the first coat of paint. Currently they are installing underlayment for the flooring to be installed in January or early February.

They are also working on the finish trim. The kitchen cabinets will be installed mid January. Thank you to all the volunteers who have stopped by to help with the project. Your help is appreciated. Stayed alert for your next opportunity to assist.





Living room-preparation for new floor



New back door



Downstairs Master bedroom



New lighting throughout the house







Prayer Requests:

Jim and Margie Smith, Mary Lou Ellis has moved to Holiday Village, Elvin and Joan Reed, Pastor Greg and Teresa, Cheryl Rothemeier, Debby Phares is now rehabbing at home, Josette Higgins And Ed Schiffer (cancer treatments), Kristy Georgeson's mother Velma Hein, all area schools and universities, God's Kids, Austin Smith, (firefighter), Amy Dubber, Joy Roettger, Sara Dixon and Kathy Ellerbrook and family Our Haitian children: Daphnica Noel and Richecarde Charitable Louissant. MCCutchanville Firefighters. The homeless population.

Do you have a prayer request you would like listed in the Messenger? Call the church office at

812-867-5735

May GOD be with you through NEW YEAR

and fill your life with COMFORT, LOVE and CHEER. May this day and the days ahead, Hold many **BLESSINGS** for you and yours. Year!



December 2020 Attendance and Giving

	18th, 2021		Att	Building Fund	General Fund	Internet Giving	Christmas Eve	David Dixon Memorial	Total Checking Deposit
		December 6	30	\$675.00	\$945.00	\$350.00			\$1,970.00
3	KING JR	December 13	34	\$3,810.00	\$3,045.00	\$100.00			\$6,955.00
Ag	DAY	December 20	37	\$15,130.00	\$3497.00	\$100.00			\$18,727.00
	\$	December 27	26	\$550.00	\$960.00	\$100.00	\$90.00	\$25.00	\$1,725.00



GOD'S KIDS Reporting





Kids: Aleena (5), Max (7), Hadley (9), Paislee (10), and Jack (26)! It is so wonderful to start off the new year celebrating birthdays!! We also celebrate Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday on January 18th this month! NO School!!

Happy birthday to our January God's



Christmas Programs to share with our

family and friends. But we have had fun dressing up

2021 brings

each day of the final week of school of 2020. We are all hoping that you have a Happy and Healthy









Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
December 27	28 Gym reserved 1:30 -3:00 Gym Reserved 6:00-8:00	29 10:00 God's Kids Chapel with Pastor Greg and Teresa 1:30 Gym Reserved	30 Gym reserved 1:30-3:00 6:00-8:00 Gym Reserved	31 Gym Reserved 6:00-8:00	January 1	2 Gym Reserved 10:00- 11:30
3 Communion Sunday	4 Gym reserved 1:30 -3:00 Gym Reserved 6:00-8:00	5 GK Reopens 10:00 God's Kids Chapel with Pastor Greg and Teresa 1:30 Gym Reserved 6:00 Gym Reserved	6 Gym reserved :30-3:00 6:00-8:00 Gym Reserved	7 Gym Reserved 6:00-8:00	8	9 Gym Reserved 10:00-11:30
10	11 Gym reserved 1:30 -3:00 Gym Reserved 6:00-8:00	12 10:00 God's Kids Chapel with Pastor Greg and Teresa 1:30 Gym Reserved 6:00 Gym Reserved	13 Gym reserved 1:30-3:00 6:00-8:00 Gym Reserved	14 Gym Reserved 6:00-8:00	15	16 Gym Reserved 10:00-11:30
17	18 God's Kids Closed MKL Jr Day Gym reserved 1:30 -3:00 Gym Reserved	19 10:00 God's Kids Chapel with Pastor Greg and Teresa 1:30 Gym Reserved 6:00 Gym Reserved	20 Gym reserved 1:30-3:00 6:00-8:00 Gym Reserved	21 Gym Reserved 6:00-8:00	22 Gym Reserved 6:00-7:30	23
24	25 Gym reserved 1:30 -3:00 Gym Reserved 6:00-8:00	26 God's Kids Chapel with Pastor Greg and Teresa 1:30 Gym Reserved	27 Gym reserved 1:30-3:00 6:00-8:00 Gym Reserved	28 Gym Reserved 6:00-8:00	29	30 Gym Reserved 10:00-11:30
31	February 1 1:30 Gym Reserved Gym Reserved 6:00-8:00	 2 10:00 God's Kids Chapel with Pastor Greg and Teresa 1:30 Gym Reserved 6:00 Gym Reserved Girl Scouts 	3 1:30 Gym Reserved 6:00-8:00 Gym Reserved	4 Gym Reserved 6:00-8:00	5	6