



*Hells*  
2024  
THE FOUNTAIN  
NEWSLETTER

# Epiphany!



Have you had a recent epiphany? In the world today when someone comes to a new understanding, they say they have had an epiphany. Well, that is not really how the word epiphany should be used.



Dictionary.com uses this definition:



a Christian festival, observed on January 6, commemorating the manifestation of Christ to the gentiles in the persons of the Magi; Twelfth-day.

As we see, the primary definition has to do with Jesus. Have you seen Jesus? Do you know Jesus? I can truly say that I see the manifestation of Jesus in my life of faith in God and in the actions of people I am surrounded. I see the people of this community who are the “hands and feet of Christ” into the community. Living with and loving others as Christ loves them.

That is an epiphany!



Well done good and faithful servants,

Steve



A Note from Pastor Steve

# Birthdays & Anniversaries

God danced the day you were born

PRAYERS FOR:

- ♥ Vicky Phillips
- ♥ Judy Weiblen
- ♥ Kyle Berg
- ♥ Jason Boyce
- ♥ Mike McGuire
- ♥ Helen Muennink
- ♥ Laura Schrutka
- ♥ Joe M. Saenz, Jr.
- ♥ Stella Shultz
- ♥ Joe Nixon
- ♥ Jane Schauer
- ♥ Sheryl Guth
- ♥ Kenneth Roberts
- ♥ Michael Love
- ♥ Denise Parsons
- ♥ Ora Lee Muennink
- ♥ Naomi Fredriksson
- ♥ Floyd Saathoff
- ♥ Peace in our nation
- ♥ People of Ukraine
- ♥ Reconciliation in families

GOD  
BLESS  
YOU

## BIRTHDAYS

Mariana Nava-Doucet – January 1  
Phillip Hobbs – January 3  
Grace Wilson - January 4  
Brittany Meyers - January 4  
Karen Muennink – January 5  
Diane Cosgrove – January 6  
Charlotte Joyner - January 7  
Bonnie Collins - January 8  
Jason Britsch – January 10  
Kyle Freehauf – January 11  
Melissa Jouett – January 11  
Tangee Tondre—January 11  
Lauren Krisch -- January 12  
Brendan Griffin – January 15  
Mike Riff – January 17  
Gina Muennink -- January 18  
Debbie Cox – January 19  
Eliud Plata – January 19  
Crystal Riff – January 21  
Val Hardt - January 24  
Ronnie Muennink – January 24  
Rosa Brigance -- January 25  
Nolan Riff – January 25  
Katie Toalson – January 27  
Tammy Williams - January 29  
Sherry Peyton - January 29  
Callie Riff -- January 30

## ANNIVERSARIES

Glenn & Debbie Muennink –  
January 8  
  
Rud & Lauren Kritsch -  
January 12  
  
Bruce & Sydney Simpson –  
January 28

## MEMORIALS

*Kathryn Rowell*  
Dorothy Knesel

*Don Mitchell Baxter*  
Barbara Brice



On December 17th the children had their annual Christmas Program. This year the narrators read straight from the Gospel of Luke to retell the story of the birth of Jesus. The children did a wonderful job acting out the scripture narrations. During the program the children sang Silent Night, Away In A Manger, Hark! The Herald Angels Sing and Joy To The World. A very big thank you to all the parents and volunteers who helped make this year's program a success and one to remember!

As the youth begin this new year we are going to start meeting as a MYF Group the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month. We will meet from 10am - Noon and have a Bible Study, play games, fellowship and eat together. There will also be Sunday's where we will do service projects. For the month of January we will go shopping and gather food items for the Blessings In A Backpack ministry program. This will be a great way for us to stay connected, fellowship and grow in our relationship with the Lord. Any parents who wish to help with these activities are greatly appreciated. We are looking forward to a great start to 2024.

~ Kristin



A Note from Kristin - Youth Director



# January 2024 Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31 9:00am Worship Service – Sanctuary No Sunday School	1 <b>HAPPY new YEAR</b>	2 5:30pm Connected Practice (FOLC) 7:00pm Joyful Noise (FOLC)	3 5:30pm Prayer Meeting - Sanctuary	4 6:30pm Handbell Rehearsal	5	6
7 9:00am Worship 10:15am Sunday School	8	9 11:30am Seasoned Saintes Luncheon 5:30pm Connected Practice (FOLC) 7:00pm Joyful Noise (FOLC) TBD	10 5:30pm Prayer Meeting - Sanctuary	11 6:30pm Handbell Rehearsal	12	13
14 <b>MEETING</b> 9:00am Worship 10:00am NF Cemetery Mtg - FOLC 10:15am Sunday School 11:00am Governing Council Meeting - FOLC 11:00am Youth Group <i>youth</i>	15	16 5:30pm Connected Practice (FOLC) 7:00pm Joyful Noise (FOLC)	17 5:30pm Prayer Meeting - Sanctuary	18 6:30pm Handbell Rehearsal	19	20
21 9:00am Worship 10:15am Sunday School	22	23 5:30pm Connected Practice (FOLC) 7:00pm Joyful Noise (FOLC)	24 5:30pm Prayer Meeting - Sanctuary	25 6:30pm Handbell Rehearsal	26	27
28 9:00am Worship 10:15am Sunday School 11:00am Youth Group <i>youth</i>	29 6:00pm Worship Team Meeting - WOW	30 5:30pm Connected Practice (FOLC) 7:00pm Joyful Noise (FOLC)	31 5:30pm Prayer Meeting - Sanctuary	1 6:30pm Handbell Rehearsal	2	3

Notes:

Youth Group will  
 meet the 2nd & 4th  
 Sundays of the  
 month. Contact  
 Kristin for info!

Important:

SS Luncheon - 1/9  
 Governing Council - 1/14  
 NF Cemetery Mtg - 1/14  
 Youth Group - 1/14 & 1/28  
 Worship Mtg - 1/29

# January Communion Offering

## Blessings in a Backpack

Blessings in a Backpack is ministry providing food for HONDO ISD STUDENTS on the weekends during the school year. This month the youth of New Fountain will also be helping shop for Blessings in a Backpack as a service project.

## November Financials

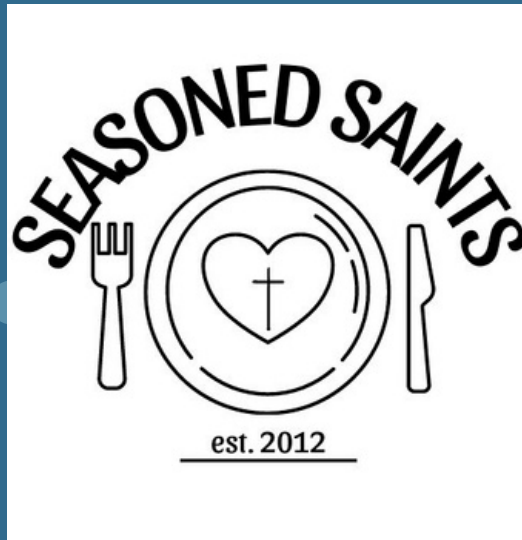
Year-To-Date Financial Report			
Ending November 30, 2023			
2023 Approved Operating Budget \$379,000			
Weekly Giving Goal \$7,300			
General Operating		Building Fund	5,407.48
Income	345,531.58	Income	2,640.51
Expenditures	(322,691.78)	Expenditures	(50.00)
	<b>22,839.80</b>	Balance	<b>7,997.99</b>

## Online Giving



[www.newfountain.org/giving](http://www.newfountain.org/giving)

SPECIAL GUESTS FROM *FRIENDS*  
*ACADEMY* PERFORMED AT DEC. SS  
AND SHERRY PEYTON BROUGHT THE  
MESSAGE



*Seasoned Saints Luncheon*

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TUESDAY, JAN. 9TH  
9:30 A.M. FOLC