

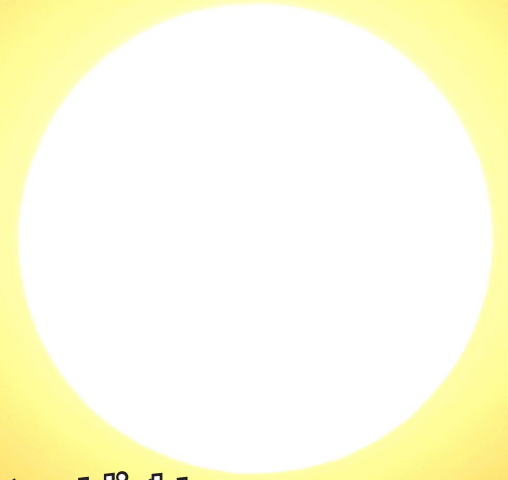
Dear Classics,

Are you in the habit of making New Years resolutions? I must admit that I have never been good at New Years resolutions. I recently purchased a devotional book by Ronnie Floyd entitled Day by Day and Night by Night, 365 morning and evening devotionals for leaders*. In glancing at the first week of the daily devotionals, I determined that my 2025 New Years Resolution is simply to experience the presence of God. When the Hebrew people left the bondage of Egypt, they were led by a pillar of cloud in the day and a pillar of fire at night (Nehemiah 9:12). This is how God manifested his presence to the Hebrews. Today God manifests his presence to us in the Holy Spirit. God is always with us so look for Him today. As Christ followers we are to experience God's presence. You must always know God's will and direction for you. What do you see for the future in this first week of the New Year? Having vision is seeing something before you see it. We see our goals with spiritual eyes before we ever see the vision come to fruition with our physical eyes. God is asking us today, what are you seeing right now for your life and future this year? Keep your eyes and heart open, and God will reveal it to you. Do you ever feel that God is hiding your future from you or playing spiritual games with you? Sometimes we struggle to see what God wants us to see. Therefore, we need to talk to God about our life (Pray). We need to open God's Word daily, read it and hear what God is saying to us in His Word. When we do this, his path for our life often becomes clearer. Finally, we need to connect with the local church so that we will have a spiritual family. Your church will come alongside you, pray for you, encourage you, and quite possibly act as the messenger of God's guidance in your life. If you are burdened by something today, let that be a wake-up call to do something. When Nehemiah heard that Jerusalem was in ruins he sat down and wept and mourned for days; and fasting and praying before the God of Heaven (Nehemiah 1:4). Before Nehemiah even thought about rebuilding Jerusalem, he prayed and fasted. Prayer and fasting (if you are able) should come before any attempt at restoration. Prayer should always be your first choice and not your last resort. This year talk to God about your burdens and sometimes join your prayer with fasting. Finally, aspire each day to love God with all you are and with all you have. Every Sunday we worship God in song, prayer, the spoken word, and fellowship. This is loving and worshiping God with all your heart, soul, and strength. Make 2025 a year of experiencing God in all aspects of your life. Happy New Year!!
David

*Go to Amazon.com to purchase Day by Day and Night by Night.

CLASSICS MINISTRY

January 2025



**And God made two great lights;
the greater light to rule the day,**

**and the lesser light to rule the
night: He made the stars also.**

Genesis 1:16



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**MAKING JESUS
OUR ALL,
SHARING HIM
WITH ALL.**

January Events

Lunch & Learn | Medicare 101

January 14 | 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Fellowship Hall | Lunch \$7

RSVP: leigh@fbcbryan.org by January 6

Chuck Crain in Concert

Friday, January 17 | 11:00 AM

Fellowship Hall

Join us for lunch followed by the concert.

Lunch | \$7

RSVP: leigh@fbcbryan.org by January 13

Canada Trip Information Meeting

January 19 | 11:30 AM | Rm 136

Trip Dates: July 11-19, 2025

Branson Trip Information Meeting

January 26 | 11:30 AM | Rm 136

Trip Dates: October 20-23, 2025

Save the Date

Young at Heart Valentine Dinner & Concert February 11 | 5:00-7:30 PM

Dinner in the Fellowship Hall at 5:00 PM | Cost: \$7
Following Dinner: Dignity Gospel Concert in the Worship Center

RSVP: leigh@fbcbryan.org by February 3

Mark Your Calendar For 2025 Senior Adult Events

March 7th- Sr Adult Wellness Luncheon

March 30th- 5th Sunday Hymn Sing

May 13th- Lunch and Learn/Basic Safety for Senior Adults

June 10th- Young at Heart Celebrates 50th Wedding Anniversaries

June 29th- 5th Sunday Hymn Sing

July 11th- Cybersecurity Conference

August 12th - Lunch and Learn/TBD

August 31st- 5th Sunday Hymn Sing

Sept 9th- Fall Kickoff

Oct 14th- Lunch and Learn/Issues occurring in College Athletics

Nov 30th- 5th Sunday Hymn Sing

Dec 9th- Young at Heart Christmas Banquet

January 2025 - Wednesday Night Dinner Menus

Jan 1 - Nothing Scheduled

Jan 8 - Nothing Scheduled

Jan 15 - Chicken Spaghetti,
California Blend Vegetables,
Garlic Toast, Dessert

Jan 22 - Sausage/Red Beans &
Rice, Tossed Salad, Cornbread,
Dessert

Jan 29 - Chicken Fried Steak,
Mashed Potatoes & Gravy,

Regular

Mid-Week

Wednesday

Schedule

Resumes

January 15

“Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise; give thanks to Him and praise His name.”
Psalm 100:4

As we start the new year, this Bible verse about new beginnings reminds us of the importance of giving thanks to God and of praising Christ.