

**ELDERS**

John Deffenbaugh  
Wayne Douthitt  
Glen Honeycutt  
Rick Hyder  
Bill Reiboldt

**DEACONS**

Pete Babb  
Carl Cobb  
Alan Cook  
Josh King  
Mike Kidwell  
Tim Murray  
Jim Scott  
Don Watson, Jr

**PREACHERS**

Danny Boggs  
Salvador Sanchez

*Assignments*

**Scripture Reading for 1-1-12:**

1 Peter 4:7-10.....Tony Flint

**Prayers for 1-1-12:**

A.M. Opening.....Troy Risley  
A.M. Closing.....Zane Berner  
P.M. Opening.....Harold Speir  
P.M. Closing.....Spencer Murray

**Prayers for Wednesday, 1-4-12:**

Opening.....Bryan Reiboldt  
Closing.....Miles Wolgamott

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**WORSHIP ASSEMBLIES**

Sunday 10 a.m., 6 p.m

**BIBLE CLASSES**

Sunday 9 a.m, Wednesday 7 p.m

**SUNDAY MORNING BROADCAST**

10 a.m. on KBTN 1420 AM

*Cast week...*

**December 25, 2011**

Combined Bible Study.....147  
English Speaking Worship A.M.....197  
Spanish Speaking Worship A.M.....9  
English Speaking Worship P.M.....114  
Spanish Speaking Worship P.M.....14  
Midweek Service.....139  
Contribution.....\$4,449.76

*Compared to last year...*

**December 26, 2010**

Combined Bible Study.....NA  
English Speaking Worship A.M.....NA  
Spanish Speaking Worship A.M.....NA  
English Speaking Worship P.M.....NA  
Spanish Speaking Worship P.M.....NA  
Midweek Service.....NA  
Contribution.....NA



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*Assignments for January 2012*

**Sundays**

**Greeters:** Casey and Amanda Flint, & Mike and Nancy Kidwell

**Welcome:** Danny Boggs

**Lord's Table A.M. East:** Rick Hyder, Glenn Strickland, Peter Wald

**Lord's Table A.M. West:** Barry Flint, Ken Hill, Troy Risley

**Take up Cards East:** James Phillips, Brice Wolgamott

**Take up Cards West:** Matt Kimbrough, Harold Speir

**Wednesdays**

	<b>Announcements</b>	<b>Singing</b>	<b>Offer Invitation</b>
<b>January 4:</b>	Michael Richmond	Zane Berner	Pete Babb
<b>January 11:</b>	Todd Murray	Caleb Collinsworth	Wayne Douthitt
<b>January 18:</b>	Bob Murray	Jim Friend	Casey Flint
<b>January 25:</b>	Josh King	Danny Boggs	Bryan Reiboldt

**Van Drivers:**

**Sunday A.M.:** Jared Thomas

**Sunday P.M.:** Aaron Wilson

**Wednesday:** Jim Friend

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# Prayer Cist

Betty Ball, Jack Brodie, Frank Carrothers, Bridget Coleman, Glenda Daniels, Mabel Deffenbaugh, Retha Dunn, Wilma Fair, Jerry Faules, Leon Fiscus, Twyla Forslund, Floyd Foster, Joe Freund, Teresa Freund, Gunner Gonzales, Faye Haught, Treva Haught, Betty Hill, Wilma Hill, Chloe Holloway, Walter Johnson, Jennifer Jones, Cecile Kimbrough, Wilma Knoll, Eunice Lewis, Pearl McCleary, Shannon Morgan, Betty Pockrus, Greg Richmond, Ron Riediger, Marcia Robertson, Otheda Sartin, Velva Spoon, Glenn Strickland, Heather Thomas, Doris Thornton, Bobbie Tuggle, Matthew Wald, Don Watson, and Treva Wolgamott.

- Matthew Wald is continuing to grow and be healthy, and his family hopes to bring him home from the hospital very soon.

### Sermons for Sunday, January 1:

AM: *I \_\_\_\_\_ the Bible*

PM: *Music Questions*

**Sympathy:** We express our sympathy to Sage and Trish Crane in the passing of Sage's grandmother, Jeanette Bentley, on Friday, December 23.

**Responses:** Vera Cornell came forward this past Sunday asking for prayers and for forgiveness. Stuart Anderson also came forward on December 18 asking for prayer and forgiveness.

**Visitation Team #1,** led by Tim and Carla Murray, will take assignments next week.

**Juice Boxes:** Please remember to bring 6.75 ounce juice boxes every week to help nourish needy Neosho kids over the weekends.

**Lunch Buddies:** If you love children and have control of your lunch schedule, you could be a big help to someone for 20 minutes each week. Kids at South Elementary School need lunch buddies. If you are willing to help, please sign the list on the bulletin board by this Sunday.

**Lads to Leaders:** Everyone who is going to the convention April 5-8 should turn in a \$35 deposit to Jessica by Sunday, January 8.

**Renew Youth Rally:** 5th-12th graders, if you want to go to this youth rally February 3-5, sign the list on the bulletin board and turn in \$15 for registration to Josh King or Danny Boggs by this Sunday.

**Thank you** to everyone who delivered *Meals on Wheels* again for our Senior Community! Your time, energy and hard work is always appreciated. It is commendable how dependable your Church family is.

- Hailee Babb and Jaiden
- Carol Bessman
- Danny Boggs
- Caleb Boggs
- Elijah Boggs
- Becky Cobb
- Molly Cobb
- Ed Cornell
- Breanna Cook
- Levi Field
- Becky Freund and kids
- Whitney Freund
- Glen Honeycutt
- David Irvin
- Andra Kidwell
- Mike Kidwell
- Josh King and kids
- Brenda Kimbrough
- Natalie McInturff and kids
- Eldon Morgan
- Bill Reiboldt
- Harold Speir
- Susie Tomlin
- Cindy Tribbey and kids
- Ken Tyler
- Pam Tyler
- Don Watson
- Ruth Ann Wilson!

I wish for all of you a happy and successful new year!

Always grateful,  
Debbie Van Wie  
HB Meal Coordinator

### December 18, 2011

Combined Bible Study.....	152
English Speaking Worship A.M. ....	167
Spanish Speaking Worship A.M.....	10
English Speaking Worship P.M.....	141
Spanish Speaking Worship P.M.....	13
Midweek Service .....	125
Contribution.....	\$.4,009.32

**Whose salvation are you praying about today?**

# Invite

By Drew Kizer

Christians beat themselves up all the time because they fail to share the good news of Christ with others...

Evangelism is not just an option; it is our duty. Paul spoke in terms of his obligation to preach the gospel (Romans 1:14). If every Christian would adjust his or her thinking in that direction, we wouldn't have shrinking churches.

What is evangelism anyway? The technical definition is "the act of announcing good news." That's the meaning of the Greek word translated "evangelize" in the New Testament. With that in mind, every Christian has an obligation to tell others about the hope Jesus has brought to mankind by His death, burial, and resurrection.

Does that mean every Christian has to be able to preach a sermon from a pulpit? No. Does that mean we all need to be deft personal workers who can lead a home Bible study? Every Christian should learn how to share the basic points of how to obey the gospel, but that doesn't necessarily mean he must be an expert at personal evangelism.

Sometimes all that is required for evangelism to take place is a friendly invitation. Nothing invasive, just a harmless welcome to church.

You'd be surprised what an invitation can do. In my experience, setting aside converts who have been raised in the church, the greatest evangelistic successes begin with a visit to our church services. If a person responds to an invitation from a

friend and finds our services friendly, informative, and worshipful, she will probably return for a second visit. After a few visits, she will want to learn more. She may even study with someone and eventually obey the gospel. Great transformations begin with a simple invitation.

Evangelism is our calling. You don't have to be a great preacher or memorize a thousand verses. Just invite a friend.

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All year long the bulletin has carried a reminder: "Whose salvation are you praying about today?" Has this helped you to form a habit? It has helped me. We should be praying with an evangelistic focus. Don't stop! But next week that line in the bulletin will give way to this one: "Who could you invite to services this week?" Let's back up our words of request to God with words of invitation to people. We are thankful for every baptism, restoration, and sign of growth seen here in 2011. Still, God can do much more through us in the next year if we will cooperate.

Thanks to everyone who has shown such kindness and generosity to our family this holiday season and all year. Being a Christian is the best thing about life, and being a Christian at Hillcrest is the best of the best.

*Danny*