

SUNDAY NEWS

JANUARY 8, 2017

Elders

Don Denton
 Gregg Woodall
 Tony Williams
 Tony Turner
 Dave Benner
 Terry Clark
 Gary Woodall

**January
 Servant Elder**

Don Denton

Ministers

Steve Higginbotham
 Justin Morton

Deacons

Michael Albert
 Brad Alsup
 David Baldwin
 Lance Champion
 Rick Compton
 Chris Cox
 Dan Dresser
 Ben Griffith
 Walt Hillis
 John Hoffarth
 Gentry Jackson
 Bill Leeth
 Chris Pegg
 Dustin Roberts
 Don Scott
 John Seibel
 Steve Smith
 Jeff Snyder
 Dale Tanner
 Daniel Tanner
 Lee Toothman

**A New Year**

By Don Denton, for the elders

The holidays have passed and 2016 is just a memory. The Karns congregation was blessed in many ways in the past year for which we should be thankful. Now we should, as Paul wrote, *forget those things which are behind and reach forward for things which are ahead* (Col.3:13b). In this new year we will hopefully make memories, both individually and as a congregation, and look back on 2017 with joy and thankfulness to God. What can each of us in the Karns congregation do this year that will further our personal growth and expand the Lord's body?

The first step is improving our individual spirituality. Become less selfish and more committed to the Lord and His church. Remember the familiar song which traces one's spiritual progression from "all of self and none of Thee" to the title, *None of Self and All of Thee*. Most of us are in the middle categories, namely, "some of self and some of Thee" or "less of self and more of Thee". Let's each strive to focus less on self and more on Thee this year.

The next step in making 2017 a memorable year is for the people at Karns to grow closer to each other as a church family. To start, let's each of us get to know every person in the congregation by name, from the youngest among us (Winston Lawrence Bonds) to the oldest (name withheld). We cannot genuinely care for someone if we don't know him or her.

If we are to have special memories of the year 2017 we must be able to look at the congregation next January and see people in the Bible classes and assembly who were contacted and invited by members of the Karns congregation to attend our services. These are people with whom we have visited, sent cards, talked to on the telephone, communicated with via e-mail, or personally shared the reason for the hope that is in us. If we do these things, surely the Lord will bless our efforts.

In the year 2017, our building will be expanded to seat upward of 650 souls plus an addition for the Southeast Institute of Biblical Studies. Let each of us strive to make 2017 a year that will please our Lord and warm our hearts.



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Today

- **Money tree bridal shower for Kelly (VanWinkle) Young** at 4 p.m. in the small fellowship room. See Sherrye Woodall to contribute.
- **Youth & family meeting/meal** in the large fellowship room after p.m. worship service. Food is provided.

Tuesday, January 10

- **Ladies' class** resumes meeting at 10 a.m. in the small fellowship room. Childcare is provided.

Friday, January 13

- **Youth will leave for Evangelism University** at 2:30 p.m. and return Sunday the 15th.
- **Southeast Students & Adoptive Parents Get-together** from 6 to 8 p.m. in the large fellowship room. Bring finger foods. Sign up on the family board.

Sunday, January 15

- **Evangelism University** participants return.

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Looking Ahead In 2017

Plugged In (teens)	January 18
Men's Retreat	January 20-21
Graham Baby Shower	January 22
Area-wide Teen Devo	January 22
Grief Seminar	January 28-29
Church Potluck	January 29
PM Ladies Class resumes	February 7
Young at Heart Banquet	February 11
Young men's service	February 12
Ignite	February 13
Middle School Devo	February 19

Notice: Adoptive Parents & Southeast Students

All adoptive parents and Southeast students will meet on Friday, January 13th from 6 to 8 p.m. in the large fellowship room. Bring finger foods to share. Signup as soon as possible on the family board in the foyer.

Men's Retreat

The speaker is Tommy Stone from the Red Bank church of Christ in Chattanooga. The theme is called *Cow Tipping* and is a study of Exodus 32 and the golden calf incident. The retreat will be held at MainStay Suites in Pigeon Forge on **Friday, January 20th**. Check-in after 4 p.m. on Friday. Dinner on Friday and breakfast on Saturday will be provided. You are on your own for lunch on Saturday.



We will be collecting the \$35 fee in the foyer before and after services until the retreat. You may also give your fee to Sherrye Woodall, Steve Higginbotham, or one of the secretaries.

Grief Seminar—January 28-29

The guest speakers are **Ron and Don Williams**. More information soon! This event will benefit:

- all who have suffered loss
- all who want to prepare themselves for loss
- all who want to learn more about helping others deal with loss.

Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday. Brochures with the schedule are available in the foyer.

*We will be having a church potluck on Sunday, January 29th and hope to have many visitors. Be sure to bring plenty of extra dishes.

Baby Shower

There will be a baby shower for Southeast student wife, **Amie Graham** at 4 p.m. on **Sunday, January 22nd** in the small fellowship room. It's a girl and they are registered at Wal-Mart and Carters. See Lynlee Robinson or Ruth Compton to contribute to a large gift.



Lectures
April 23-26, 2017

Sympathy

Dr. Samuel Jernigan (brother of Tom Jernigan), who may be known to some here at Karns, passed away recently in Texas. Remember Tom and his family in prayer.

Prayer List

Gabe Martin is home now recovering from his recent surgery.

Gary Kelsey had surgery on both legs last Friday.

Gregg Woodall will receive results of his MRI tomorrow.

Shirley Lyell will see an orthopedic doctor tomorrow.

Bill Flock has not been eating well. He is in Ben Atchley Veteran's Home.

Gary Denham (father of Kristin Denham) is on a list for liver transplant, but has taken a turn for the worse.

Tommy Shaw (father of Molly Shaw) remains hospitalized in Chattanooga.

Sara Reaves (friend of Leslie Henderson) donated a kidney to her cousin, **Emily Kelly** last week. Prayer is requested for their recovery.

Continue to Pray For...

Helen Caldwell, Joyce Cawood, Ron Dugger, Bill Flock, Carolyn Ford, Jim Gill, Bettye Hawkins, Gary Henderson, Polly Huber, Gary & Chris Kelsey, Roy Loveday, Shirley Lyell, Steve Martin, James Meadows, Gene Molchan, Jean Thomas, Bob Young.

Resolve To Be Involved:

TLC meals for sick and shut-ins is a good work. See the bulletin board for the TLC sign-up sheet each week to help prepare meals, donate food and deliver meals each Tuesday. More help preparing and delivering is needed.

Help the jail ministry. Volunteers are needed to take the Word in person to those who are incarcerated. If you are interested in participating see **Conrad Slate** or **Curt Davidson**.

Bible course graders are always needed. Our correspondence course program is very active and succeeds with the help of our volunteer graders. If you would like to be involved in sharing the Gospel in this way, see **Jonathan Huddleston**.

Response

Darrell Collins responded to the invitation last Sunday. Remember to pray for and encourage him.

New Year Baby!

Congratulations are in order for Horatio and Beth Bonds, proud parents of a baby boy, **Winston Lawrence**, born last Sunday. He weighed 7 lb 7 oz and was 20 inches long.

New Member

Betty Griffin, who was a member here in the past, placed her membership with us again. Betty is the mother of Andy Griffin. Her address is Morning Point Assisted Living #210, 7700 Dannaher Dr., Powell, TN 37849. Phone: 865-582-1345.

Food Pantry Is Low!

Any non-perishables are welcome and much appreciated. We need the following items:

Tuna Helper	Spaghetti sauce
Oatmeal	Boxed potatoes
Canned fruit	Boxed pasta
Canned Meat	Canned Soup
Bisquick	Canned Milk

Please leave donated items in the big blue container located in the foyer.

Lose Something?

Check the Lost & Found. Several Bibles and other items are located in the cabinet across from the Welcome Center.

In The Foyer For January:

- Encouragement Lists
 - Birthday/Anniversary Lists
 - Worship Schedules
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Sunday News

Morning

Announcements: J. D. Russell

Song Leader: Tommy Warren

Song: Give Me the Bible, 778

Prayer for the Sick: Don Denton

Song: Amazing Grace, 125

Song: Beneath the Cross of Jesus, 353

Communion and Collection

Presider: Donnie Iverson

(Attendance cards collected during next song)

Song: Home of the Soul, 800

Prayer: Nathan Watkins

Reading: Corey Justice (Psalm 95:1-3)

Sermon: Steve Higginbotham

Song: Trust and Obey, 853

Song: Where We'll Never Grow Old, 833

Prayer: Spencer Morris

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Sound/Video:

Ben Griffith

David Baldwin

Camera

Jason Russell

Nursery:

Brenda Slate

Kelly Gibson

Evening

Announcements: J. D. Russell

Song Leader: Steve Aragon

Song: Let Every Heart Rejoice and Sing, 4

Prayer: Steve Smith

Song: Our God, He Is Alive, 22

(Attendance cards collected during next song)

Song: O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go, 49

Reading: John Hoffarth (1 Peter 4:12-14)

Sermon: Steve Higginbotham

Song: Bring Christ Your Broken Life, 922

Song: Sweet Hour of Prayer, 711

Song: Send the Light, 736

Prayer: Jay Insell

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Attendance Cards:

Evan Alsup

Jefferson Collins

Elijah McCarver

Parker Elliott

Welcome Center:

Margaret Denton

Shelba Kennedy

Wednesday, January 11

Announcements: Tom Shephard

Song Leader: Jordan Pack

Speaker: Gregg Woodall

Prayer: Chris Gibson

Door 6 Usher: Paul Sampson

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Office Hours: 8 am—4 pm

(Monday—Friday)

Times of Services:

Sun. Bible Study: 9 am

Sun. Worship: 10 am, 6 pm

Wed. Bible Study: 7 pm

2017 Statistics

Sunday, January 1, 2017

Attendance: 363

Contribution: \$13,953

Budget: \$17,000

Placed membership: 1

Responses: 1

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Our Goal

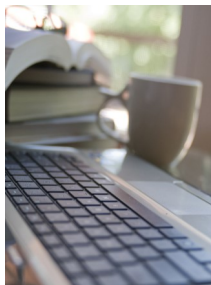
To be transformed by God by

Reflecting the life of Jesus,

Giving hope to the lost,

Growing as a family,

Bound together by the cross.



Online Resources Available

- Our services are broadcast live at www.youtube.com/user/karnscoc.
- Archives of our video sermons: vimeo.com/channels/karnschurch.
- Our website (karnscoc.org) contains many Bible articles and sermon outlines.
- Archives of our audio sermons are posted at karnscoc.org/audio-sermons.