

The Vistoso Voice

Friday, December 31, 2021

Weekly

PASTOR'S THOUGHTS FOR THE NEW YEAR

This copy of *The Voice* will be out on New Year's Eve, and when we meet again for worship it will be 2022! As we approach the new year, there are many things on my mind. Most of them have to do with leading, teaching, and shepherding our fellowship of believers here on the northwest side of Tucson.

The Lord has in mind areas in which He wants us to grow and works He wants us to do in the power of His Spirit.

As I mentioned last Sunday, we can trust Him to carry on to completion the work He has begun in our fellowship. For He knows every challenge we will face; has already, in grace, abundantly provided to meet our every need; and simply desires that we would abide in Him as He produces fruit in us to His glory.

With this in mind, I offer the following New Year's prayer for our fellowship:

Heavenly Father, as we close one year and start the next, we come simply desiring to renew our trust in the person, work, and sufficiency of our Savior—the Lord Jesus Christ!

We trust in the Blood of Jesus to be that which cleanses us from all sin.

We trust in our participation in the death of Christ as that which frees us from the power of sin, and our identification with His resurrection as that which provides new life.

We trust in the power of the Holy Spirit to both put to death the misdeeds of the flesh and produce in us spiritual fruit.

The more we learn about the Christian way of life, the more we come to realize it is a supernatural way of life that we could never accomplish in our own strength.

Thus, Father, we come as a church fellowship, trusting you to accomplish through us what we could never do on our own.

Father we humbly ask that our lives might take on the pattern of

coming to You in faith each morning to receive Your grace for the day ahead, and returning each evening to praise You for what You have provided. In doing so, might our fellowship

BIBLE STUDY SIGN-UP

Our Tuesday morning Men's and Women's Bible studies in Genesis resume on January 18, at 10:00 am. If you participated in the fall and wish to continue, you can pick up a Study Guide for Lessons 12-20 beginning Friday January 7. We will go right to work on Lesson 12 on the 18th.

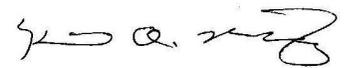
If you are new to the study, sign up at the Church Office. We will try to accommodate everyone, but we are limited by the current number of Discussion Leaders.

be caught up in the daily exchange of Your grace to us and our praise back to you.

Whatever trials may come our way in the year ahead, keep us dependent upon You, fully aware that Your power is made perfect in weakness, desiring that Your grace to us would accomplish Your will, for we believe that the God of peace will sanctify us through and through, and that it is possible for our whole spirit, soul, and body to be kept blameless until the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ. The One who calls us is faithful and we are trusting Him to do it.

I Thessalonians 5:23-24

In His grace,



thisweek

January 3-9, 2022

- **Friday**, Men's Bible study, 7:30 am.
- **Saturday**, worship 5:00 pm, with fellowship and sermon Q& A following the service.
- **Sunday**, worship, 10:00 am, with fellowship and sermon Q&A following the service.

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