

The Knickerbocker Prayer Letter

October & November 2017

Steady Attendance

The Lord has blessed First State Baptist Church with faithful attendance from our members. On Sunday mornings we have been averaging 33, Sunday evenings 28, and Sunday school 25 during the month of November. On our mid-week prayer and Bible study service we have had between 15 to 25 in attendance.



New Members

We praise the Lord for two new members brought added to the church during this month. The Smith's joined the church after recently moving from New York to the Wilmington area. We praise the Lord for bringing believers our way with a love for God and His Word! This brings our current membership to 26.



Thanksgiving Banquet

On Saturday, November 18th we help a church Thanksgiving Banquet. It was a joy to see several of our members getting involved helping with decoration and preparing the food. During this banquet many gave personal testimonies of what they were thankful for and we rejoiced together in what the Lord has done in the last 6 months.

Raising Funds For Church Van

We will be attending two church planter's conferences in the next two months. Please be in prayer as we raise money to purchase a church van. God's people have already been giving toward the van in the last several months. We believe the Lord can use a church van ministry to pick up families and bring them to church. As we knock on doors and penetrate the community with the Gospel of Christ we often meet people who need help in getting to church. Our goal is to raise \$20,000 to find a 15-passenger van with low mileage. We pray that as we give and follow in obedience, the Lord would meet that need! We have currently raised \$1,835.00.

Prayer Meeting

We spend time in prayer each Wednesday evening and seek the Lord together as a local congregation. In addition to Wednesday evenings, the first Monday of each month, we also meet together as a church at 6:30 pm and have a prayer meeting. We are thrilled to see our members come out seeking for the power of God and His blessing upon our church. In our last Monday prayer meeting we have 11 in attendance. We are expecting God to do great things in Wilmington Delaware!

Dad's Visit From France

It was a joy to have my father come for a few weeks during the month of November. He has been a missionary to the country of France for over 28 years, and the Lord is currently still using him there. I asked him to preach for us twice and the folks were blessed and encouraged by the messages. I praise the Lord for the influence of my parents in bringing me up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.



The Month of December

We have several things planned for the month of December.

Ladies Christmas Brunch

On Saturday, December 16th, the ladies are preparing a Christmas Brunch. We are praying for many visitors to come. It will be a great opportunity for the ladies in our church to invite their friends, families, and neighbors.

Christmas Caroling at the Nursing Home

On Friday, December 22nd, our church family will be going from room to room to sing the carols of our Savior and give the Gospel message to each person we meet in the nursing home. Pray for the residents at the Weston Senior Living Center (Our church currently meets at the chapel in Weston Senior Living Center)

Christmas Eve Services

On Sunday, December 24th, we will be having a special evening service. I will be preaching on "Jesus the Light of the World." We will use this Christmas Eve service to invite as many people as possible and deliver a clear Gospel presentation.

New Year's Eve Services

On Sunday, December 31st, we are planning to end the year 2017 and begin the new year 2018 with singing, prayer, & Bible preaching! We will be sharing our vision for the year 2018, and also presenting the upcoming year's calendar. Several of our faithful men will have the opportunity to give a Bible message during our Sunday evening service. We thank God for men who are willing and able to preach and teach the Word of God.

Merry Christmas From the Knickerbocker Family!

We thank you for your prayers, encouraging notes, and faithful support! We appreciate your partnership in the work of the Lord!



Prayer Requests:

- Souls to be saved & discipled
- James & Natalie: continued spiritual growth
- Church Van (\$20,000)
- Christmas Caroling & Witnessing
- Michelle DeJesus - Salvation

Praises:

- Two new members in November
- Weekly faithfulness to Sunday school
- Consistent visitors each week
- 11 in our Money evening prayer meeting

Specific Needs:

- Raising funds to purchase a 15 passenger van (\$20,000) We have currently raised \$1,835.00

Support Level:



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