

Heritage Praise & Prayer Guide ***December 16 – December 22, 2018***

Sunday, December 16

- **Daily Bible Reading** – *2 Peter, Jude*
- **Heritage Kids Christmas Program** – ***Pray*** for our Heritage kids tonight as they share the Gospel through their performance of the Christmas Story. ***Ask*** that The Spirit would draw any unsaved relatives to Christ tonight! ***Ask*** for God to use this to solidify truth in those who attend.
- **Missions** – Pray for the ministry of Ken and Jinner Rudolph (ABWE—Missionary Mobilization).
- **Missions** – Pray for the ministry of Doug and Sharon Martin (ABWE—Area Director of North America).

Monday, December 17

- **Daily Bible Reading** – *John 1-2*
- **New Deacons** – ***Praise God*** for our new Deacons (John Antolick, Charles Edwards, Jim Flowers, Pat Scarfo, Chris Welman). ***Pray*** for these men and their upcoming service to our church. ***Ask*** the Holy Spirit to guide them to see the needs of our body and to serve like Christ. ***Pray*** specifically that they would be able to adjust to their new roles and responsibilities.
- **Missions** – Pray for the ministry of Steve and Sabrina Marshall (Central Missionary Clearinghouse—France).

Tuesday, December 18

- **Daily Bible Reading** – *John 3-4*
- **College Students** – ***Pray*** for our college students as they head home for winter break. ***Ask*** the Holy Spirit would give them rest while at home, but also a desire to grow their relationship with God. ***Pray*** for those who are going home to difficult home situations, that they would be a testimony to their friends and family.
- **Missions** – Pray for the ministry of Tim and Barb Vermilyea (ABWE—Quebec).

Wednesday, December 19

- **Daily Bible Reading** – *John 5-6*
- **Heritage Student Ministries** – ***Pray*** for our HSM Christmas Party tonight! ***Pray*** for unsaved friends that are invited. ***Ask*** for the Holy Spirit to help build relationships. ***Ask*** that God would use this event to allow unsaved friends to return to youth group.
- **Missions** – Pray for the ministry of David and Dawn Spink (ABWE—Brazil).

Thursday, December 20

- **Daily Bible Reading** – *John 7-8*
- **New Visitors** – Holidays are natural times for unchurched guest to visit churches. ***Pray*** for the Holy Spirit to draw those visitors to our church. ***Pray*** their hearts would be open to the Gospel. ***Pray*** for our church to see and welcome them with the love of Jesus.
- **Missions** – Pray for the ministry of Rich and Julia Rudolph (Servant Leaders—Germany)

Friday, December 21

- **Daily Bible Reading** – *John 9-10*
- **Holiday Travel** – ***Pray*** for members of our church body who will be traveling this Christmas. ***Ask*** God to give them safety. ***Pray*** that they would have a great time with family, especially members of families who are unsaved.
- **Missions** – Pray for the ministry of Mark and Diane Henzler (ABWE Global Neighbors—Greece).

Saturday, December 22

- **Daily Bible Reading** – *John 11-12*
- **Our Sunday Ministry**– ***Pray*** for our church body who will be serving in a variety of ways tomorrow. ***Ask*** that our guests from last week would begin to connect in ABFs. ***Pray*** that The Spirit of God would allow focus as we praise and exult the name of Jesus!
- **Missions** – Pray for the ministry of Tim and Laura Compton (ABWE—Thailand).

Matthew 1:18-25

¹⁸This is how the birth of Jesus the Messiah came about: His mother Mary was pledged to be married to Joseph, but before they came together, she was found to be pregnant through the Holy Spirit. ¹⁹Because Joseph her husband was faithful to the law, and yet did not want to expose her to public disgrace, he had in mind to divorce her quietly.

²⁰But after he had considered this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, “Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. ²¹*She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins.*”

²²All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet: ²³“The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel” (which means “God with us”). ²⁴When Joseph woke up, he did what the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took Mary home as his wife. ²⁵But he did not consummate their marriage until she gave birth to a son. And he gave him the name Jesus.