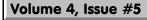
SOUTH BLOOMFIELD METHODIST CHURCH

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CHURCH STAFF

Floyd Hubbell Pastor

Debbie Forquer Pianist, Choir Director

> Scott Brown Choir Director

Ellery Elick Instrumental Director

> Karen Karshner Worship Leader

Jennifer Vance Administrative Assistant

> Pam Moody *Historian*

CHURCH COMMITTEES

Jewell Roese Board Chair

Bruce Roese Dave Roese *Trustees*

John Hammer Parish/Staff Chair

Terry Roese Treasurer/Finance

Ken Greene Christian Education

Church Office Hours

9 am to 12 pm Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 4 pm to 7 pm Tuesday

PASTOR'S THOUGHTS



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By Pastor Floyd

Here we go again! Another new year, and I love it! Yes, I love it! I admit that each new year I fall prey to the feeling that "we have a fresh start, wipe the slate clean, a do-over, a new beginning, another race to win, and yes...another new year's resolution."

For much of my adult life, each New Year that came, I would make a resolution. Often, I would make up an "incentive rhyme" to inspire me. "Debt free in 73" or when I gave up smoking, "No more sticks in 76." The perception was that if I had a battle cry, it would inspire me to conquer my obstacle and be a better man for it! The concept was solid, but the desire of the flesh and the inspiration of the devil fought hard against me. So hard, in fact, that, if my calculations are correct, I have less than 10% victory vs. 90% disaster. Could it be that the sign I saw on a church marquee recently is true? It read: "May all your illnesses last as long as your New Year's resolutions."

If all of my resolutions were successful, I would be close to perfect at the age of 77. All of you know that I am not even in the universe when it comes to the word perfection.

There is only one who was perfect. We know him by the name of Jesus. Here's the thing: Jesus was perfect, and we are supposed to pattern our lives after the Son of God. That task can feel overwhelming at times. The harder we try (like keeping resolutions), the more difficult it seems to be. Each time I am able to overcome my moments of anger, I see how many other things I have to deal with. In other words, the more I fix, the more I see wrong with me. Frustrating!

The Lord doesn't want us to fail or get frustrated. I love this little obscure scripture from the Old Testament: Ezra 10:4 "Rise up...take courage and do it." In these few words, God is saying, "Stop talking about it and go do it (with me helping you)." The last part is understood.

So, I am not giving up trying to be more like the Lord, nor am I going to give up on my New Year's resolutions.

No more sweets and no more pies in 25,

Pastor Floyd

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MUSIC NOTES

Email: southbloomfieldmusic@gmail.comDebbie ForquerScott BrownPianist, Choir DirectorChoir Director740-601-0112740-604-4772

Ellery Elick, Organist, Instrumental Director

Peggy Hubbell, Ruby Bells peghubb@aol.com

SB CHOIR

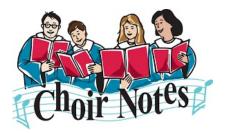
This choir practices each Wednesday from 6:30 to 7:30 pm. The choir sings for worship services, special services on Christmas and Easter, and a couple of concerts each year. Bring your voice and join. Everyone is welcome.

YOUTH CHOIR

This choir sings on special occasions during the year. The youth choir is under the direction of Kathleen Woodard, Peggy Hubbell, and Scott Brown. If your child would like to join, contact one of the directors.

RUBY BELL CHOIR

The Ruby Bell Choir is for children age 4 and up. It performs at special services and is under the direction of Peggy Hubbell.



START YOUR NEW YEAR SINGING AND HAVE FUN TOO! JOIN THE CHOIR LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD!

BIBLE STUDIES

Friends in Faith

Join Ken and Paula each Sunday following worship at 10:30 in the family room. This Bible study group meets in a Sunday school-type setting. They discuss the day's scripture and the sermon.

Ladies Bible Study and Prayer

This ladies group, led by Peggy, meets on alternating Fridays each month at 10 am. The current topic is "The Purpose Driven Life" by Rick Warren. A discussion follows the video lesson. There is a prayer time at 9:45. The meeting dates for January are January 10th and 24th. All ladies are welcome!

Les Feldick Bible Study

This group meets on Wednesdays in the family room at 3:00 pm and is led by Dean. This Bible study uses a video curriculum. Les's teaching is in a classroom setting. They are currently studying the Book of Romans. Everyone is welcome!

Prayer Group

Each Thursday morning at 8:00 am, the men gather to pray. This group, typically composed of men, welcomes anyone who would like to spend time in prayer, asking for God's continued hand on our church and its people. This is a very informal gathering. Please feel free to join us.

Men's Prayer and Bible Study

This prayer and Bible study group for men takes place at Berger Hospital in Circleville. This group meets in the cafeteria at 9 am each Tuesday morning.

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JANUARY MEETINGS

ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD

The Administrative Board will meet on January 14th at 6:30 pm.

Ladies Bible Study and Prayer

The January dates are Fridays, the 10th and 24th. Prayer begins at 9:45 am in the family room. The Bible study begins at 10:00 am. Join this wonderful group of women as they grow their faith.

HOMELESS MISSION

The sleep mat mission will meet on Thursday, January 16th, at 10:30. All are welcome, and there are jobs for all. This is very easy, fun work!

PARKINSON'S SUPPORT GROUP

This group is for those touched by Parkinson's and/or their families. They meet the 3rd Monday of the month at SBMC in the family room at 11 am.

The next meeting date is Monday, January 20th, 2025, at 11 am

Prior notification is not required, but contacts for this group are: Teresa Riffle (740-412-1030) and Peggy Hubbell (614-620-3366).

LADIES LUNCHEON

The January Ladies Church Birthday Luncheon will be Tuesday, January 21st, 2025, at Los Mariachis restaurant in Circleville, off 23, at 11:30 am. Meet at the church parking lot by 11 am if you need a ride. Please let Pat Acord know by email (*pat3duncan@yahoo.com*) or text (614-309-2384) if you plan on attending so she can give the restaurant a head count or if you need a ride there.

SCRIPTURE

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might.

– Eph 6:10 (ESV)

WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT SCAMS

Pastor Floyd seems to get hacked on occasion. You need to know that he will never, ever, ask you for money, credit cards, or to do errands for him that will involve any kind of currency. If in doubt, call him, text him, or email him. Also check the email address it comes from. It will not be his address.

ACTUAL EXAMPLE OF ONE OF THE SCAMS:

"Good morning, and trust you are doing okay? Here is what I want you to do for me as I'm a little busy. I have been working on incentives, and I aimed at surprising some of our diligent staff with gift cards this week. I want this Confidential until they all have the gift cards as it's a surprise, and you can keep one for yourself too."

"What I need you to purchase for me is 14 quantities of either eBay or Apple gift cards of \$100 face value each totalling (sic) \$1,400, and you can get them from stores around you. 5-7 to quantities is the max you can purchase from some stores I think, so have them purchased from different stores if that is the case. After you get them, I need you to remove each card from the pack, scratch the back, take a clear picture of each card afterwards, and have them emailed to me so I can easily get them sent to each staff member via email. I'll appreciate it if you can help me have them purchased as soon as possible. Kindly keep the physical cards/receipt for me for reference, and let me know whenever it is you are headed to get them. I'll be looking forward to hearing from you."

THE ABOVE WAS NOT FROM PASTOR FLOYD!

Note fake email address: Pastor Floyd Hubbell <revfr1029@gmail.com>

Fhubb53300@aol.com is Pastor's email address. So, take note and beware and remember, he will never ask you for any type of currency!

ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD MINUTES

There was no meeting in December.

SLEEP MATS FOR THE HOMELESS

We still need your bags!

Please ask your friends, neighbors, and family to save their clean, non-sticky grocery bags for us. It takes about 800 bags to make one sleep mat. This doesn't include the pillow or strap.

We also need people who are willing to work at home on very simple jobs at your leisure and pace. We try to give as many mats as possible twice a year. To do this we need help.

Just remember:

And the King will answer them, "Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me."

Matthew 25:40 ESV



WORDS OF WISDOM OR LIFE LESSON

"There are far, far better things ahead than any we leave behind."

C.S.Lewis

"One resolution I have made, and try always to keep, is this: 'To rise above little things'." John Burroughs

Submitted by Tony Mosley

"Absence makes the heart grow fonder, but too much absence, out of sight out of mind!"

Submitted by Peeb

Send your "Words of Wisdom" or "Life Lessons" to *peeb26@outlook.com*

HELPFUL INFORMATION

CHANGES OR CORRECTIONS? PLEASE NOTIFY THE APPROPRIATE PERSON AND HELP KEEP THESE LISTS UP TO DATE!

Church Directory

Contact Pam Moody at pammoody2@icloud.com

Church Information Changes

Contact Jennifer at southbloomfieldgmc@gmail.com

Anniversary List or Birthday List

Contact Jennifer at southbloomfieldgmc@gmail.com

Prayer List PLEASE NOTE

Contact Jennifer at *southbloomfieldgmc@gmail.com* If a name has been on the prayer list for 3 months and no contact has been made to keep it on the list, it will then be removed.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

There is no charge for the app or to be listed in this directory.

Are you in the church directory? Do you know how to access the church directory?

1. On your computer, go to

members.instantchurchdirectory.com/ or go to the app store and download the app to your phone. Look for the green square and the little white church in the center. Then follow their instructions.

2. <u>For directory access.</u> You must have an email. They will send you a code and password. You can change the password once you access the directory.

3. <u>To be included in the directory</u> send all submissions, changes, and updates to Pam Moody at *pammoody2@icloud.com*.

4. <u>Your options are:</u> a portrait, name, address, email address, phone number, birthday, etc.

5. You must at least have an email in the directory to have access.

Help keep this directory up-to-date.

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MISSIONS

ASHVILLE FOOD PANTRY

20 Church St., Ashville, OH Open: 10 to 1 pm on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month.

Donations may be taken to the food pantry or placed in the church hallway on the shelf in front of the window.

If you know someone in need, please feel free to give them these numbers:

Food Pantry 614-687-2442 Thecala Acord 740-497-0552

WEEKEND PACKS

This mission is to give school children food for their weekend.

The next dates are Set up: Sunday, January 5, 2025 5 pm Pack: Monday, January 6, 2025 5 pm

MAKING SLEEP MATS FOR THE HOMELESS

Have a great time of fun and fellowship while working on a worthwhile mission. This group crochets sleep mats, pillows, and straps for the homeless. There is no experience required. It is very easy!

There is a job for all ages, and you can even learn to crochet if you wish. Jobs are sorting bags, flattening bags, tying the strips after they are cut, and crocheting.

We meet the 3rd Thursday of the month at 10:30. The next date is Thursday, January 16th. You may come and go as you wish.

We also need people to do this in their homes after a little training. This is a very rewarding mission project.

And we have snacks! If you want to see what we do, come for fellowship and snacks.

For questions email peeb26@outlook.com.

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TO DONATE TO OUR MISSIONS

If you feel led to make a monetary donation to any of our missions, please see the following.

ASHVILLE FOOD PANTRY

To give a gift to support the food pantry, please make your check payable to "Ashville Food Pantry" and place it in the offering plate, or mark your cash donation for the "Ashville Food Pantry".

WEEKEND PACKS

Please make your check payable to "SBMC Women Who Care" and place it in the offering plate, or mark your cash donation for "Weekend Packs".

SLEEP MAT MISSION FOR THE HOMELESS

To make a donation for this ministry, please make your check payable to "South Bloomfield MC" and write "Homeless Mission" in the memo or mark your cash donation for the "Homeless Mission".

All donations are very much appreciated!

HAVE FOR YOU

ITEM

*QUEEN SIZE BED, includes headboard, side rails, footboard with storage drawers. It does have some scratches on the headboard. Solid wood - It is heavy.

CONTACT Carol Johnson <aci5054@yahoo.com≥

If you have items you can no longer use, you might want to donate to someone else? You can list them here.

Please send item(s) to list and your contact information to: peeb26@outlook.com

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PRAYER LIST



Roy Bently Nate Bethel The Border Patrol Scott & Melody Canterberry Kaylie Charles and family Gerry Daniels Dean Darst family Dodds family Ron Draise Stan Echelbarger Norma Egan Howard Emry Arlene Fortner Madeline Fox Virginia Greathouse Stephanie Green Georae Greaorv Cathy Groves Mike Havens Scarlet Grey Hedrick Doris Jones Debbie Knapp Don Lee Harold Lee Kari Lynch

Jenny Mathes Delores Messick Palma Mills Charlie Moody JoRita Morrow Randy O'Connor Buddy Puckett Kensie Richards Bobbie Rickrich Pat Riley Bruce Roese Jewell Roese Sandra Ruh Dave Schiff Tami Singleton Joyce Speakman family Jeanette Teeters Don Tibbs Sarah Tipton Mona Toole Jeff Vance Jim Willeford Rosemary Wilt Carole Witryk Roman Witryk

BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Evelyn Rawlins
- 3 Bruce Roese
- 15 Darryl Ward
- 17 Tom Conner, Debbie Knapp
- 18 Mona Toole
- 19 Thomas McPeek
- 20 Connie McPeek, Kelly Sells
- 21 Sarah Tipton
- 22 Brian Porter
- 23 Janice Young, Terri Feazel
- 26 Paula Cahill
- 27 Alex Perdew
- 31 Rick Knapp



Our sincere condolences go to the family and friends of our dear Pat Von Ins.

SERVING OUR COUNTRY

Jared Conner Thomas McPeek Tanner Woodard-Doty Justin Vance Logan Karshner Trevor Watkins Tyler Blain



SUNDAY SCHEDULE

- 9 am Worship Service
- Sunday School Children attend worship through Children's Moment and then go to their class.
- Preschool Kindergarten meet in the family room.
 Teachers: Abby Perdew, Becky Brown, Izzy Wheeler, Terry P. Roese
- 1st grade 5th grade meet in the family room. Teachers: Susan Campbell, Connie McPeek, Amy Peters, Kendra Sherman
- 6th grade High School meet in the church basement.
 Teacher: Dan Zeimer



Date	Day	Time	Event
1	Wed		HAPPY NEW YEAR!
5	Sun	5:00	Weekend Pack Setup
6	Mon	5:00	Weekend Pack
7	Tues	9:00	Men's Bible Study and Prayer
8	Wed	3:00	LF Bible Study
		6:30	Choir Practice
9	Thur	8:00	Men's Prayer
10	Fri	9:45	Ladies Prayer
		10:00	Ladies Bible Study
14	Tues	9:00	Men's Bible Study and Prayer
		6:30	Administrative Board
15	Wed	3:00	LF Bible Study
		6:30	Choir Practice
16	Thu	8:00	Men's Prayer
		10:30	Mat Mission
20	Mon	11:00	Parkinson's Group
21	Tues	9:00	Men's Bible Study and Prayer
		11:30	Ladies Luncheon
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22	Wed	3:00	LF Bible Study
	-	6:30	Choir Practice
23	Thur	8:00	Men's Prayer
24	Fri	9:45	Ladies Prayer
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25	Sat		Newsletter Articles Due
28	Tues	9:00	Men's Bible Study and Prayer
20	Wad	2.00	Newsletter Sent Out
29	Wed	3:00	LF Bible Study
20	T I	6:30	Choir Practice
30	Thur	8:00	Men's Prayer

SERVING IN JANUARY

January 5

Sunday School Teachers: Izzy Wheeler, Peggy Hubbell, Dan Zeimer Greeters: Shelly Townsend and Heidi Lewis Invocation: Roger Schneider Scripture: Brad Thomas Offering: Paul and Donna Calder Cleaning Team 2nd - 4th : Team 7

January 12

Sunday School Teachers: Abby Perdew, Amy Peters, Dan Zeimer Greeters: Ken and Jean Greene Scripture: Shannon Horvath Offering: Bob Forquer and Becky Brown Cleaning Team 9th - 11th: Team 8

January 19

January 26

Sunday School Teachers:

Invocation: Michelle Sturgill **Scripture:** Paula Cahill

Sunday School Teachers: Terry P. Roese, Connie McPeek, Dan Zeimer Greeters: Pat Acord and Dora Greene Invocation: Becky Brown Scripture: Ellery Elick Offering: Keith and Jan Deel Cleaning Team 16th - 18th: Team 9

Becky Brown, Susan Campbell, Dan Zeimer **Greeters:** Dianne Hartley and Jim Tussing

Offering: Terrie McDaniels and Joyce Nelson

Cleaning Team 23rd - 25th: Team 10



NEWSLETTER

The deadline for articles to be placed in the February issue of the newsletter is

Saturday, January 25th

Please email your articles, information, and calendar dates to: <u>peeb26@outlook.com</u>.

