Family Ties

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A Closer Walk

by Geri Johnson

Let Your Light Shine

"Let your light shine, so bothers will see the good that you do and will praise your Father in Heaven." Matthew 5:16

In this Christmas season, we put lights on ourChristmas tree and lights outside our homes. Children's faces light up when they think of the presents Santa will bring. Our faces also light up with joy as we sing our favorite Christmas carols and as we come together for Christmas parties and family gatherings.

Each one of us is called to be God's lights where God's love shines through us. We need God's Spirit to work in and through us. Our responsibility is to be receptive to God's power.

We become God's lights when we let go of our own needs. In order to do this, we need to be open and trust that God's power moving through us will create peace and harmony. When we are open to God's leading, amazing things happen.

When we believe that God is giving us the strength our spirits need, we become more hopeful and courageous. We know that's not alone, that God is using our gifts and talents for God's purpose. We sense God's guidance and wisdom in our lives.

At times, we may doubt our ability to be God's lights. It is when we are in new situations or ones where we feel inadequately prepared. By our faith trust and believe that God's love is working through us and can do more than we hope for or imagine. We feel a strength which is not our onward we see the effects on other's lives.

Let us enjoy being God's lights in a world that is filled with darkness. God is the light of the world and God's love shines through us to everyone we meet.

Prayer: Loving God, you came to bring your love and light into a world that needs hope and peace. Thank you for the gift of your son. Amen.

167th Annual Meeting Sunday, January 28th, 11:00 am

All boards and Ministry Teams <u>2017 reports</u> are due Sunday, January 14, 2018. Please email your reports and include a picture of an activity the Board/ Ministry Team completed in 2017 to Church office: <u>office@firstbaptiststpaul.org.</u>

Reports List

Senior Pastor	Christian Education
Associate Pastor	✓ Children Sunday School-
Director of Children & Youth	Karen
Church Council Moderator	✓ Children & Youth English
Ministry Teams - Worship	Sunday School
✓ Board of Deacons	✓ Adult Sunday School
✓ Communion	✓ Nursery
✓ Prayer	,
✓ Membership	Related Organizations
✓ Ushers	✓ The Family Place
✓ Pastoral Relations	✓ Karen Language Service
✓ Music	✓ First Burma Christ Church
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✓ Board of Trustees	✓ Main Idea (AA)
✓ Budget Committee	✓ Citizen Class
✓ Investment & Endowment	✓ English Class
✓ Building & Grounds	
✓ Gardening	Others
✓ Media Team	✓ Treasurer
✓ Refugee Resettlement	✓ Y-T-D Financial Report
✓ Parish Nurse	✓ 2017 Stewardship
✓ Special Offerings	✓ 2017 Proposed Budget
✓ Wedding – Non-Members	✓ Church Clerk
✓ Weddings – Karen	✓ Minutes of 2017 Annual
✓ Merry Marthas	Meeting
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- 3. Kaw Hser Htoo Kay Win Ana Arabaji Victor Junor
- 5. Moo Eh Blu Dah Pamela Sebo
- 6. Hsa Hsay Hser
- 7. Paw Lay Lay
- 9. Tha Htoo Daw
- 10. Mavis Wegleitner Hsa Htaw Thaw
- 12. Michael Milligan
- 13. Eric DenningErin Denning14. Ha Drat

- 18. Paw Part Lay
- 21. Walter Johnson Simon Paul
- 24. Robert Wegleitner Victoria Di Gale
- 25. Sun Morhso Tun Joseph Sunny Luie Moo
- 27. Priscilla Patrick Aung Kelly Sheen
- 28. Moo Nay Blut
- 29. Kya Dway
- 30. Isla Fredrick Myat Mon

WE WISH YOU A HAPPY NEW YEAR

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Stay Warm!

Our Homebound Members

Mary Cisneros Earl Swanlund
Luchene Donalzal Aye Saw
Robert Zan Tai Kwe
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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Monday, Jan. 1 Office Closed

Tuesday, Jan. 2 10am— No Bible Study

Wednesday, Jan. 3 7pm— Midweek Prayer Service

Thursday, Jan. 4 6-8pm— Citizen Class

Saturday, Jan. 6 9-11am— Citizen Class

Tuesday, Jan. 9 10am— Bible Study

Tuesday, Jan. 10 7pm— Midweek Prayer Service

Thursday, Jan. 11 6-8pm— Citizen Class

Friday, Jan. 12 9am-12pm, 1pm-4pm— Utica

Churches Bible School in KCM room

Saturday, Jan. 13 & Sunday, Jan. 14

9am-12pm, 1pm-4pm— Utica

Churches Bible School

Saturday, Jan. 13 10:30am— Deacons Meeting

12pm— Council Meeting

Sunday, Jan. 14 Annual Report Due

Tuesday, Jan. 16 10am— Bible Study

Wednesday, Jan. 17 7pm— Midweek Prayer Service

Thursday, Jan. 18 6-8pm— Citizen Class

Saturday, Jan. 20 9-11am— Citizen Class

Monday, Jan 22 5:30pm— Trustees Meeting

Tuesday, Jan 23 10am— Bible Study

Wednesday, Jan. 24 7pm— Midweek Prayer Service

Sunday, Jan. 28 11am— Annual Meeting

Tuesday, Jan 30 10am— Bible Study

Wednesday, Jan. 31 7pm— Midweek Prayer Service