Epiphany

The first Sunday of the new year will be the celebration of Epiphany. The actual date is January 6th. This is the commemoration of the visit of the wise men. It is a celebration of the realization that what they had heard and thought had become

An epiphany is a sudden realization of great truth. It is the Ah-ha moment. They are moments that are sometimes not acknowledged, sometimes not realized. But these moments are essential to the growth of our faith. But once there is an epiphany, there will continue to be more epiphanies. My hope is that they lead us forward out of captivity, rather than keep us captive.

There are those that manipulate the message. They lead you to envision their planned epiphany. An epiphany that keeps us afraid, alone, isolated, ashamed. They also proclaim epiphanies of ridicule based on their judgement, blame to remove accountability, and gain and maintain power for themselves and share little with others. Their epiphanies seek to keep us in the past hoping things will come back to us. True epiphanies from God lead to hope, not despair. They lead to growth, not keep us from change. They lead to Jesus and the kingdom that he ushered into this world that will are still learning about.

My prayer in this new year is that you have many epiphanies that lead you to see the kingdom that is come.

Blessing and Peace,





TUESDAY, January 9th - 10:00am Super Seniors—Fellowship Hall

TUESDAY, January 9th- 6:30pm Deacon's Meeting - Fellowship Hall

WEDNESDAY, January 10th - 6:00pm **Dinner & Business Meeting** Dinner: 6pm (\$5), Meeting: 6:30pm

SUNDAY, January 14th - after Worship Women on Mission Meeting & Luncheon Fellowship Hall

SUNDAY, January 21st - 9:00am Men's Bible Study & Breakfast Fellowship Hall

SATURDAY, January 27th—4:00pm Baptist Men's Dinner Fellowship Hall

SUNDAY, January 28th—after Worship Lunch Bunch—Sammio's

SUNDAY, February 4th - after Worship Women on Mission Luncheon

January Scripture & Sermons

January 7 Matthew 2:1-12 Right in Front of you

January 14 Mark 1:4-11 For All to See

January 21 John 1:43-51 What does it mean to follow?

January 28 Mark 1:14-20 Next one up

Tuesday, January 9th 10:00am

GAME DAY!!



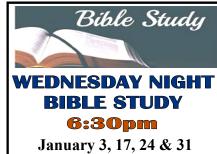
All men and older youth are invited!

> Saturday, January 27th 4:00pm **Fellowship Hall**



Luncheon/Meeting January 14th following worship







February 4, 2024 12:00pm Fellowship Hall

Food, Games, Crafts Everything provided by WOM

Come be our Valentine!





January 28th at Sammio's