Many years ago, a senior adult, who was 92 years young, said to me, “Time waits on no one.” How true that is. We measure time by seconds, minutes, hours, days, weeks, years, and decades, etc. We at times, worry about the past, fret for the future, and forget to live for today.

This is the ending of 2012, and we are looking with anticipation toward the new year. Any plans for the future must be built on a foundation of today - the here and now. There are those who live in the past and are never really able to let go of it, so they can live in the now. There are those who long for the future hoping to escape the present. Either way, it prevents us from living in the now.

Our writer states, there is a time for everything. Let me suggest that the best time is the now time. Let us live in the now with gusto and vitality as we seize each day. Live in the now with the assurance that God is in the now with you. Live in the now knowing the world needs people who want to see the world become a better place.

Living in the now allows God to work through our lives, not only to change us, but to use us to change the world. So make yourself available........NOW!

Shalom,
Pastor Dale

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1 For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven:
2 a time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted;
3 a time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up;
4 a time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance;
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### Birthdays

| 1 | Jerry Smith           | 16 | Brianna Hess | 29 | Jenny Chattin   |
| 2 | John Hanson           | 17 | Rachel Heimel | 30 | Patty Crowder   |
| 3 | Melva Dunlop          | 18 | Linda Gibbs  | 31 | Fred Sprouse    |
| 4 | Jim Fallon            | 19 | Marilyn Cooksey | 32 | Dale Wyrick    |
| 5 | Don Hinkle            | 20 | Linda Mullins | 33 |               |
| 6 | Duane Ezell           | 21 | Steve Barnes | 34 |               |
| 7 | Norman Bowman         | 22 | Mary Conroy  | 35 |               |
| 8 | Amy Haerr             | 23 | Dina Hess    | 36 |               |
| 9 | Clyde Thurman, Jr.    | 24 | Walter Hooper | 37 |               |
| 10 | Maggie Tammark        | 25 | Wanda McCarter | 38 |               |
| 11 | Gina Winterberger     | 26 | Theresa Slater | 39 |               |
| 12 | Alexis Neal           | 27 | Betty Thomas | 40 |               |
| 13 | Earl Robbins          | 28 | Bill Thurman | 41 |               |
| 14 | Gary Drinkard         | 29 |               | 42 |               |

### Epiphany Sunday

- **11:00** Worship Service
- **6:00** Bible Study
- **6:00** Youth
- **8-9 p.m. AA-FH**

### 1st Sunday after the Epiphany

- **11:00** Worship Service
- **2-4** Disciples Training
- **6:00** Bible Study
- **6:00** Youth
- **8-9 p.m. AA-FH**

### 2nd Sunday after the Epiphany

- **11:00** Worship Service
- **5:00** Church Council
- **6:00** Bible Study
- **7:00** Youth Return from Resurrection

### 3rd Sunday after the Epiphany

- **11:00** Worship Service
- **6:00** Youth
- **8-9 p.m. AA-FH**

### Sunday Schedule

- **9:45 a.m. - Children’s Choir**
- **11:00 a.m. - Morning Worship**
- **9:45 a.m. - Sunday School**
- **6:00 p.m. - Bible Study**
- **10:45 a.m. - Coffee & Donuts**
- **6:00 p.m. - Youth**

### Note from Jeannette

For January & February: Let’s claim Romans 12:12 for 2013. You are loved!
Memorials and Honorariums

The Celebration Sunday School Class gave to the Kiwanis Christmas Food Baskets in honor of Gray & Sharon Cowart.

David & Nancy Gilliam gave to the Morgan-Scott Fund in honor of John & Sam Hanson.

Bill & Patty Crowder gave to the Organ Fund in honor of Judy Ezell, Choir Members, Musicians, and Pastor Dale.

Tommy & Loretta Hale, Virginia Hale, and LouEllen Nixon gave to the General Fund in memory of Chelsea Hanson and Leonora Porter.

Those who gave to the Organ Fund in memory of Charlotte Thurman are: Gray & Sharon Cowart, Bill & Caren Ruffner, Jerry & Rayna Henley, Gary & Mary Drinkard, Bill & Patty Crowder, David & Nancy Gilliam, Helen Kincannon, Earl & Imogene Robbins, Silas & Linda Booker, Sonny Byrd and Donna Kunkel, Dorvin & Sandra Reed, Judy Oldham & Jennie McWilliams, Jason, Beth & Lucy, Mr. & Mrs. Shane Ward, Michael & Mary, Jenny, Mark, Ruby & Aasta Thurman, Diane Yonke, H.B. & Polly Rankin, Byerly & Charlotte Morgan, Mr. & Mrs. A.P. Ellis, Joanna Thompson, Neighbors of Mark & Jenny Thurman: Jasper & Cheryl and Donna Kunkel, Dorvin & Sandra Reed, Judy Oldham & Jennie McWilliams, Jason, Beth & Lucy, Mr. & Mrs. Shane Ward, Michael & Mary, Jenny, Mark, Ruby & Aasta Thurman, Diane Yonke, H.B. & Polly Rankin, Byerly & Charlotte Morgan, Mr. & Mrs. A.P. Ellis, Joanna Thompson, Central Baptist Church Revelations, and Duncan (Mac) Elrod.

Steve & Beth Keylon gave to the General Fund in memory of Charlotte Thurman.

Gil & Judy Litteken gave to the Children's Ministries in memory of Chelsea Hanson.

Bill & Patty Crowder gave to the Organ Fund in memory of Lois Harris and Lisa Ann DeCroce.

Chris & Carolyn Haer gave to the Memorial Fund in memory of Charlotte Thurman and Lois Harris.

Fred & Linda Mullins gave to the Community Ministries Fund in memory of Charlotte Thurman, Viola Ezell, and Mary Flo Swafford.

Helen Kincannon gave to the Organ Fund in memory of Chelsea Hanson.

Bill & Patty Crowder gave to the Choir Fund in memory of Viola Ezell.

Richard & Jeanne DeCroce gave to the Organ Fund in memory of their daughter, Lisa Ann DeCroce.

Pine Grove Fire Department (in honor of fireman, Gary Yonke) gave to the Memorial Fund in memory of Gary’s grandmother, Vivien Kneuppel.

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**MONTHLY REPORT GIVING & MONEY DISBURSED**

**NOVEMBER 2012**

**INCOME**

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<th>CURRENT PERIOD</th>
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**FINANCIAL & ATTENDANCE REPORTS**

**NOVEMBER 2012**

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<td>Worship Attendance</td>
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<td><strong>167</strong></td>
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Approximately 35 were in attendance at LDL. Tuesday, December 18. Caren Ruffner decorated each table with a Christmas tree centerpiece with greenery at the base. Little Christmas bags tied with red ribbon and red jingle bells were placed at each place setting. Patty Crowder’s devotionals focused on the true meaning of Christmas. Don Hinkle entertained with several Christmas selections on his accordion. The meal consisted of hot chicken crescents, red potatoes, green beans, congealed cherry salad, and a choice of desserts. A fun time was enjoyed by all.
Welcome to Our Church Family!

We are delighted to welcome Les & Karen Whiles (left) as Associate Members of Spring City UMC as they joined on Profession of Faith, Sunday, December 23, 2012.

Pastor Dale welcomed new member, Sherry Carter, on Profession of Faith when she united with our church on Sunday, November 25, 2012, at the 11 o’clock worship service. Sherry is the mother of member, Nicole Kile.

Pastor Dale is shown at left with new members, David & AnnMarie Lanzi who joined on Profession of Faith on Sunday, November 25, 2012, at the 11 o’clock worship service. Below, Linda Morse is seen as she warmly welcomed David and AnnMarie into the church family.
**2012 COATS FOR KIDS**

Dr. Beth Casady is pictured below (left) with Pastor Dale and the 38 new coats that were collected this year for Coats for Kids. Dr. Beth is seen below (right) unloading the coats with help from her daughter, Jessie, at the Spring City Elementary School on Tues., Dec. 11. The coats went to 18 different classrooms.

Thank you to everyone who gave a monetary donation or purchased a new coat to keep a child warm this winter.

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**MORGAN SCOTT TOYS DELIVERED**

Witness Chairman, Chuck McIlwain, and John Hanson are pictured above on Monday, December 17, 2012, just before leaving for Morgan-Scott with Chuck’s truck full of Christmas toys donated by members and friends of our church. A big THANK YOU to everyone who gave monetary donations or purchased toys for girls and boys in need. Children in Morgan-Scott Counties will have a merrier Christmas because of you.

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**NURTURE MINISTRIES TEAM SPONSORS**

**FIRST WEDNESDAY FELLOWSHIP DINNERS**

6:00 p.m. - December 5, 2012

The second Wednesday Fellowship Meal was as big a success as the first. Nearly 90 were in attendance for the meal on Wed., Dec. 6. Everyone brought with them a covered dish to share. Nurture Chair, Susan Maddux, thanks everyone who volunteered their help and to everyone who attended.

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**REED CHAPEL UMC CELEBRATES THANKSGIVING**

Members of Reed Chapel are shown below when they celebrated their Thanksgiving meal at the home of Arlandres and Pat Horton. A delicious meal was enjoyed along with much love and Christian fellowship, which made for a blessed Thanksgiving celebration.
You can tell by these photos how much everyone enjoyed this year’s Thanksgiving meal on Thurs., Nov. 22.

The meal was prepared by the Community Ministries Team with help from several volunteers. Judy Litteken, Chairperson of the Communities Ministries Team expressed a big THANK YOU to all those who helped with the noontime meal in the FLC.