



**F**aitiful. That word describes what kind of person? Do you measure it by how much someone goes to church? Do you measure it by how much they stay out of trouble? How else are you going to get a handle on it? The sermon this morning is about how we (individuals and our families) can be more faithful in 2015.

**Church Camp:** The church website has been updated for State Line Christian Camp. You can download your staff application at [www.mtgileadchurch.net/stateline](http://www.mtgileadchurch.net/stateline)

**Thanks:** The food groups for this congregation do such a good job with each assignment. You may have brought something to the High funeral and left a dish or some such out back. If so then check today and pick it up before it gets put into the drawers and forgotten.

**IN NEED OF PRAYER:** Bobby Welch was in the hospital recently but is now back home. Buel Abney is in the local hospital. We are saddened at the passing of Nell High. Her funeral was yesterday here at Mt. Gilead



## HAVE YOU MADE YOUR NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS?

The practice of making New Year's resolutions goes back over 3,000 years to the ancient Babylonians. There is just something about the start of a new year that gives us the feeling of a fresh start and a new beginning. In reality, there is no difference between December 31 and January 1. Nothing mystical occurs at midnight on December 31. The Bible does not speak for or against the concept of New Year's

resolutions. However, if a Christian determines to make a New Year's resolution, what kind of resolution should he or she make?

Many Christians make New Year's resolutions to pray more, to read the Bible every day, and to attend church more regularly. These are fantastic goals. However, these New Year's resolutions fail just as often as the non-spiritual resolutions, because there is no power in a New Year's resolution. Resolving to start or stop doing a certain activity has no value unless you have the proper motivation for stopping or starting that activity. For example, why do you want to read the Bible every day? Is it to honor God and grow spiritually, or is it because you have just heard that it is a good thing to do? Why do you want to lose weight? Is it to honor God with your body, or is it for vanity, to honor yourself?

So, what sort of New Year's resolution should a Christian make? Here are some suggestions: (1) pray to the Lord for wisdom ([James 1:5](#)) in regards to what resolutions, if any, He would have you make; (2) pray for wisdom as to how to fulfill the goals God gives you; (3) rely on God's strength to help you; (4) don't become discouraged with occasional failures; instead, allow them to motivate you further; (5) don't become proud or vain, but give God the glory. [Psalm 37:5-6](#) says, "Commit your way to the LORD; trust in Him and He will do this: He will make your righteousness shine like the dawn, the justice of your cause like the noonday sun."

Adapted from "What Sort of New Year's Resolution Should a Christian Make?" [Gotquestions.org](http://Gotquestions.org)

## WORK LIST FOR January 4, 2014

<b>Announcements:</b>	Kevin Deckard
<b>Opening Prayer:</b>	Mike Starnes
<b>Closing Prayer:</b>	Jeff Gerald
<b>Scripture Reading:</b>	Jarad Bartley
<b>Song Leader:</b>	David White
<b>Head Table:</b>	Dwayne Murray

<b>Wait on Table:</b>	Gary Dyer	Cary Cornwell P. O. Box 266, 1189 Mt. Gilead Rd., Tompkinsville, KY 42167
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**Verses for the Lord's Supper:**

*What must I do?*

- **Hear the Gospel - Acts 15:7**
- **Believe the Gospel - Mark 16:15,16**
- **Repent of Sins - Acts 17:30**
- **Confess Christ - Rom. 10:9,10**
- **Be Baptized for the Forgiveness of Sins - Acts 2:38**

Then, as a Christian we must:

- **LIVE FAITHFUL UNTO DEATH - REV. 2:10**

**Birthdays:**

Kim	Stinson	01/04
Kevin	Cloyd	01/06
Monica	Price	01/06
Charlie	Williams	01/06
Sharon	Bartley	01/07
Carolyn	Hamilton	01/07
Jeffery	Cloyd	01/10

*Elders:*

Veachel Harlan.....487-5727  
Roger Deckard.....487-8544

*Deacons:*

Larry Copas, Cass Thomas Froedge, Bobby D. Gerald, Kevin Deckard, Jimmy High, Ray C. Lyon, Michael McPherson, Gary Rowland, Tony Harlan

*Evangelist:*

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**Schedule of Services:**

**Sunday:** Bible Study...  
9:30am  
Morning Worship...  
10:05am  
Evening Worship...  
6pm  
**Wednesday:** Bible Study...  
7pm

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