

# The Lord's Day—Happy New Year

Sunday, January 1, 2023

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## A New Year Prayer

Thank you Lord for giving me

The brand new year ahead.

Help me live the way I should

As each new day I tread.

Give me gentle wisdom

That I might help a friend,

Give me strength and courage

So a shoulder I might lend.

The year ahead is empty,

Help me fill it with good things.

Each new day filled with joy

And happiness it brings.

In Jesus' Name, Amen

## This Morning's Message

By: Reverend Brian Snyder

Faith, Obedience, Trust—Hebrews 11:1-2

## PRAYER REQUESTS FOR

Marv Warren • Bonnie Barney

Judy Butman • Beverly Snyder • Harlen Fox

George Steven • Robert Gibbs • Helen Potter

Mark Freeden • Laura Paddock • Shirley Kepner

Bonnie VanDyke • Carl Steele • Doris Bates • Randy

Norm Kepner • Chris Hull • Shaun Hull • Adam Gondek

### MISSIONARIES:

Mozambique: Rev. Jim Pickett

### ALL MILITARY SERVICE PERSONNEL

**NEXT WEEK: SUNDAY, January 8, 2023**

**Greeters:** Steve Berkman / Kelly Blair

**Security:** Fred Poole / Rod Quackenbush / Cristina Davis

## Happy Birthday to Everyone Who Has a Birthday in January.

Sunday, January 8, 11:15 AM: *Trustee Mtg.*

Sunday, January 8, 6:00 PM: *Emotionally Spirituality Relationships*

Monday, January 9, 6:30 PM: *Ladies Bible Study*

Monday, January 9, 7:00 PM: *Local Board Mtg.*

**Would you Like To Know Your God Given Gifts:** *A Class Will Be Offered Soon—please sign up at the Welcome Desk.*

## Let Us Start The New Year Knowing God Has A Plan For Your Life

As believers, we can know in our hearts that God is Sovereign and Strong. We can believe that His plans for us are for good and that He has blessings in store as we follow Him.

Yet often, when life presses and things feel stressed, overwhelmed, and hardships come our way, our focus gets blurred. We feel like it's up to us to make things happen. We forgot, that the very God who created this entire universe, who holds the stars in place, and knows the exact number of hairs on our head, also knows our way.

He holds the power to cause things to happen in just a moment, that would otherwise take us years to do. He can line up our pathways to cross with others He wants us to meet. He can open doors that leave us surprised at how they open. He can close doors that He knows are not the best for us. He has a plan, in the good and in every hard thing we face.

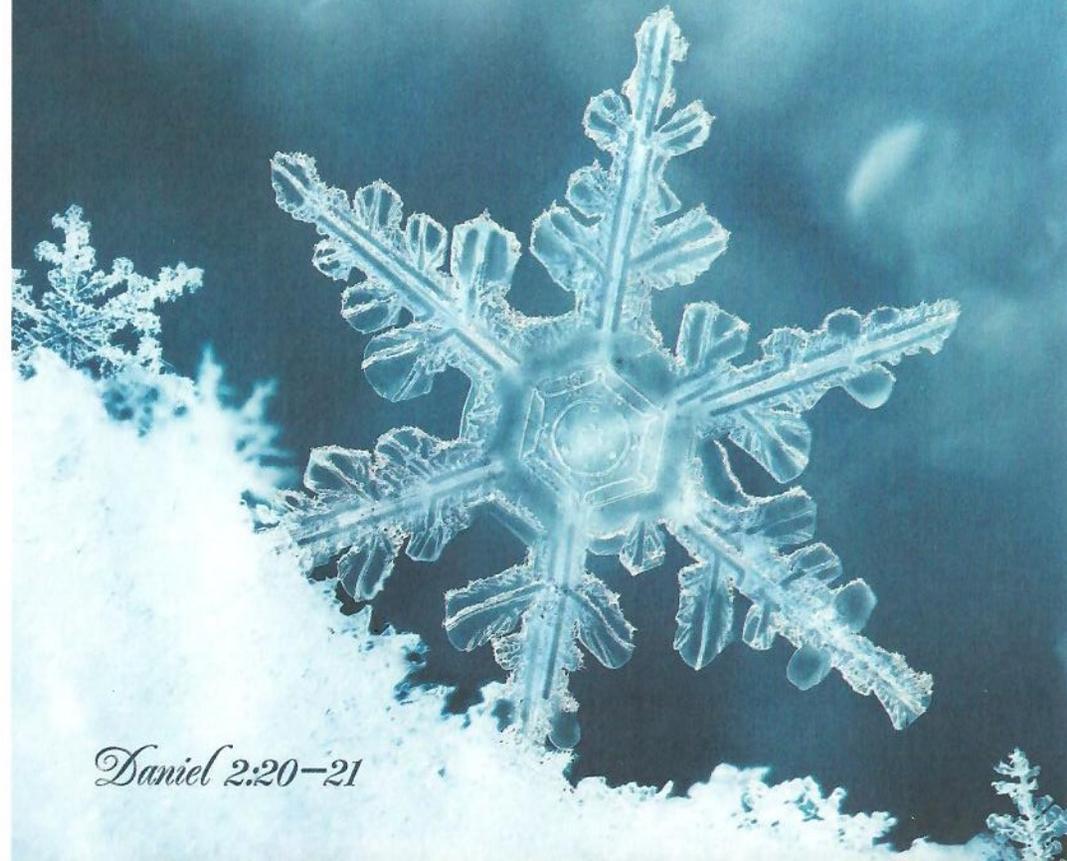
And often the greatest blessings come after the greatest times of testing.

God will not allow any circumstance, or any person, to hold us back from His blessing, and purpose for our lives. His Presence is with us and we can be assured in whatever we face, His plans for us are good. We don't have to worry, we can trust Him.

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*Blessed  
be the name of  
God*

*for ever and ever:  
for wisdom and might are his:  
And he changeth the times and the seasons.*



*Daniel 2:20-21*