January 2025 Newsletter

Called Business Meeting

Sun, Jan 5 at noon We will be voting on the Memorandum of Understanding between Northlake and Iglesia Bautista Pasos de Fe. Please see Bro. Bob's article on page 2 for more info.

New Young Couples' Sunday School Class

Beginning January 5 at 9:30 am Bro. Bob & Ellen will be starting a new Sunday School class for young couples. They will meet in upstairs in Room E-200. You can help by praying for this class as well as suggesting prospects.

All-Church Fellowship and Quarterly Business Meeting

Sun, Jan 19 at 6 pm in the Fellowship Hall Join us for a potluck meal with the theme of soups! Bring your favorite soup or accompanying food item to share. We will enjoy a meal together, then have a short business meeting. Dear Northlake Family,

I am pleased to report that the possible partnership with Pasos de Fe Iglesia Bautista (PDF) is continuing to move forward. We have prepared a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that explains the purpose and key elements of the partnership.

The plan of this MOU is to establish a partnership of NBC and PDF working together as two congregations in the facilities of Northlake Baptist Church. The goal is to reach the English speaking and Spanish speaking populations in Garland and surrounding communities with the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Here are some important dates coming up.

- Monday (Dec. 23) the MOU will be emailed to the Northlake members.
- On Sunday (Dec. 29) at 10 a.m., we will have a 30-minute Question/Answer meeting in the Seminar Room before our Worship Service. You are invited to come.
- On Sunday (January 5), we will have a brief Business Meeting to vote on the approval of the MOU. If both churches approve the MOU, then the partnership will officially begin on February 1.
- We are planning on having a joint bilingual worship service on February 2. We hope you can attend.

Another exciting development is that we are starting a new Sunday School Class for young couples on January 5. Ellen and I will be the teachers along with Tom and Stacy Klem. Please pray for this effort. If you know some young couples who may be a prospect for this class, please let us know about them.

I have started a series of sermons on selected scriptures from the book of Isaiah that will continue through Easter Sunday. I encourage you to be reading through Isaiah during these weeks. Isaiah is an amazing book that has many prophecies about Jesus and life changing promises of God.

In Christ,

Bro. Bob

Recent Bible Study Attendance Recent Giving Dec 1-\$15,309.89 Dec 8-\$11,367.70 Dec 15-\$16,161.66 Dec 1-115 Dec 22-\$17.253.55 Dec 8-116 Dec 15-135 Weekly Need: \$14,992.00

January 2025 Calendar

Wed, Jan 1—Church Office Closed

Sun, Jan 5—Young Couple SS Class Begins (9:30 am) Called Business Meeting (12:00 pm)

Wed, Jan 8—Potluck Lunch & Hymn Sing (12:00 pm) Deacons Meeting (6:00 pm)

Sun, Jan 12—Adult Directors' Meeting (9:00 am)

Wed, Jan 15—Finance Committee Meeting (6:00 pm)

Thurs, Jan 16—Food Pantry/Clothes Closet (1:00 pm)

Sun, Jan 19—Quarterly Business Meeting (6:00 pm)

Wed, Jan 22—Missions Committee Meeting (6:00 pm)

A Final Note from the 2024 Personnel Committee

Northlake Family, have you ever considered that you can help our staff to guard the Sabbath? Please utilize office hours to initiate requests and questions that do not require immediate assistance. Preferably, requests should be put in writing (email/realm), or made by calling the Northlake Office during office hours. Thank you for helping our staff have the necessary time to worship Jesus and engage with others to the fullest on Sundays! Please be watching for more communication from the Personnel Committee as we look for new ways to honor our Northlake Staff through the year!

Monthly Meetings

Wed, 1/8—Deacons Meeting (6:00 pm)

Sun, 1/12—Adult Director's Meeting (9:00 am)

Wed, 1/15—Finance Committee (6:00 pm)

Wed, 1/22—Finance Committee (6:00 pm)

2025 Flower Calendar

Sign up on the church office doors to provide altar flowers for the Sunday of your choice in honor or in memory of a loved one. Arrangements are \$40 each (payable in advance).

Pastor Search Committee

Please continue praying for our committee: David Clark, Tammy Disch, Craig Donham, Kevin Dunham, Karen Gonzalez, Jason Jones, Dan McKenzie, & Caleb Miller.

Men's & Ladies' Dinners

Mark your calendars now and plan to join us on Sun, Feb 2 for our Annual Men's and Ladies' Dinners. More details are coming soon!

D-Now Students Conference

Fri, Feb 14—Sun, Feb 16 at Mt Lebanon CampSign up begins soon for this retreat for6th-12th graders. Make plans to attendand invite a friend or two to join you!

Potluck Lunch & Hymn Sing

Wed, Jan 8, 12 pm, Youth Center Bring a dish to share and join us for lunch and an oldfashioned hymn sing with Charlie Caruthers.

Not to us, LORD, not to us but to your name be the glory, because of your love and faithfulness. -Psalm 115:1