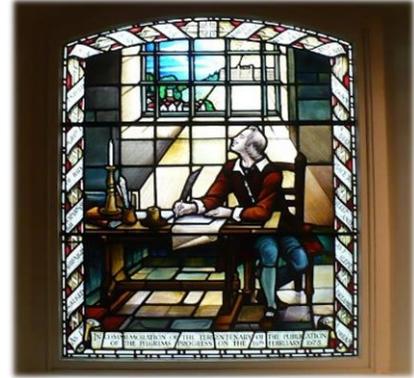


December 2, 2020

Good morning, Everybody.

What a beautiful day outside. And cold! A really nice combination. Now if we could just have some snow.

I want to let you know what our Wednesday evening services will be focused upon this last month of the year. We have five Wednesdays in December, and the fourth (December 23) is reserved for our annual carol sing.



But the first three Wednesdays (tonight, the 9th, and the 16th) are going to be a short series entitled, “**Devotional Life 2021.**” Each service will focus upon a different aspect of a growing, satisfying, daily, devotional routine. And in each service there will be at least one person sharing their own approach to that aspect and the blessings that they’ve experienced.

My deep desire for our church is that these three services happily energize our individual commitments to making significant advancement in our devotional lives this next year. Almost every spiritual failure and every dissatisfaction with the Christian life can be traced to a breakdown in the devotional area. The Christian who is enjoying a fulfilling, daily communion with the Lord seldom strays or is spiritually depressed for long. God’s will is that we be greatly blessed every day. And that we *feel* that we are. It’s largely dependent upon whether we are tarrying in His presence devotionally.

The last Wednesday (the 30th), we’ll do again what we’ve done once or twice in recent years; devote the entire day to a church-wide prayer meeting. It will climax in a season of public prayer that evening. There couldn’t be a better preparation for the new year (smile).

So, though I know that you’d have made every effort to be in attendance at these services anyway (either on site or through the livestreaming), I wanted to get this note to you to encourage your coming with special expectancy and hunger about this vital area of your daily life. If we’ll pray and prepare our hearts for these Wednesday night services, we can be confident that the Lord will instruct and inspire us.

Draw near to God and He will draw near to you (James 4:8).

***When you said, "Seek My face," my heart said to You,
"Your face, O LORD, I shall seek"*** (Psalm 27:8).

Lord willing, see you tonight.

Pastor Minnick