

# THE POINT

JANUARY 2019



## THE PASTOR'S CORNER

### A NEW YEAR

What does the early new year mean to you? A new beginning.....Another day.....A challenge.....A good day for a good day.....A time for reflection.....A time for worrying about what is to come.....?

In the Year of the Lord 2019 I pray for each of you to be of good cheer as you begin this year. Reflect and pray for the Holy Spirit to touch you and for understanding of every situation you will face. I pray that you will be a blessing to those you touch. My wish for you is peace beyond your understanding and hope in Christ.

Isaiah 40:31 "But those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint." My hope is that our path will align with God.

Ecclesiastes 4:12 "Though one may be overpowered, two can defend themselves. A cord of three strands is not quickly broken."

I pray for unity at GPCC as we serve the Lord. I thank God for the Holy Spirit in each of us and confidence in all situations as we support each other.

### **Do Not Worry**

1 Peter 5:7 "Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you." Worry is a choice and the scripture has much to say about this.

Matthew 25-34 "Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes? Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life? "And why do you worry about clothes? See how the flowers of the field grow. They do not labor or spin. Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own."

To close, I wish you great cheer and hope as this year begins. Trust in the LORD and keep your path towards God in all situations.

Peace be with you. Don Galbreath

May each of you be blessed this year and be a blessing for this community, your family and friends and God's kingdom. Have a very Happy New Year indeed.

## Weekly Worship Services

### Sunday

#### Sunday Small Groups

9:00 AM | Various

#### Worship Service

10:00 AM | Sanctuary

### Tuesday

#### Celebrate Recovery

6:00 PM | Various

### Wednesday

#### Children's Ministry

6:15 PM | Fellowship Hall

#### Student Ministry

6:15 PM | Fellowship Hall

#### Adult Bible Study

6:30 PM | Sanctuary

## MEMBERSHIP CLASS

Our next Membership Class is Sunday, **January 20th** following the morning service!

Are you new to Grace Point? Wanting to know more about who we are and what we believe? Are you ready to talk about planting roots here and officially join GPCC?

If so, this class is for you! To register for the class, simply email [info@gracepoint.info](mailto:info@gracepoint.info). Lunch will be provided so please indicate in your email how many will be attending!

## BAPTISM SERVICE

The next Baptism Service will be held Sunday, **January 27<sup>th</sup>**. We believe Baptism is an outward sign of obedience that shows others one has personally trusted Jesus for his/her salvation. We believe that baptism is an open declaration that you are a follower of Jesus Christ, you are beginning a changed life in Christ, and you are part of a new family. If you want to be a candidate for baptism or want to know more about Baptism and why one should be baptized, please email [info@gracepoint.info](mailto:info@gracepoint.info).

## QUARTERLY LUNCH

**January 27th** is date of our Quarterly Grace Point Family Luncheon hosted by our staff and Leadership Team! Lunch will immediately follow the morning service. Plan to join us for a time of fellowship and good food. Everyone is asked to bring their favorite soup, stew, or crock pot meal. Please keep your eyes open for visitors on the 27th and invite them to join us.

## PRAISE & PRAYER

Sunday, **January 27th** is our next 'Night of Praise and Prayer' from 6:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m. Come join us for a powerful service of worship music and corporate prayer as we seek God and pray over our Community, our Country, our World and our Church's Vision and Mission over the next year and beyond!

## YOUTH RETREAT

Parents, please be in prayer over our upcoming youth retreat scheduled **January 18-20**. The theme is 'Through His Eyes.' We will be exploring how Jesus sees us as well as how we should see others as Jesus sees them. Our young men will stay overnight at the McGuire's house and our young ladies will stay overnight at the Hendry's home.

Cost for this weekend is \$40 which includes study material, food and a t-shirt. Please see any of the youth leaders to sign up.

## MARRIAGE CONF.

We are excited to announce that Grace Point, Redland Hills Church and Centerpoint will jointly host a Marriage Enrichment conference **February 15-16** at Redland Hills. Sign up will begin soon so please look for details in the coming weeks in our Worship Guide.

GPCC KID'S CHURCH – NEW 8 WEEK January/February Series, "Out in the Wild - Arctic Chill"



Kids will go out in the wild from the swamp to the arctic as they help the Creature Commander Company test their new Penguin call. Through this adventure they will learn how God wants them to use their words.

**Memory Verse:** "Let my words and my thoughts be pleasing to you, God."  
Psalm 19:14 (CEV)

**SERIES OUTLINE:**

Wk	Need to Know	Bible Lesson	Scripture
1	My Words Can Help or Hurt!	A Sinner is Saved	<i>Luke 19:1-10</i>
2	My Words Should Always Be True!	God Speaks to Samuel	<i>1 Samuel 3:1-21</i>
3	Take Time to Say Thanks!	Ten Men Are Healed	<i>Luke 17:11-19</i>
4	I Can Control My Words!	Mary Makes a Wise Choice	<i>Luke 10:38-42</i>
5	I Can Keep My Word!	David Treats Saul Kindly	<i>1 Samuel 24:1-22</i>
6	I Can Ask for Forgiveness When I Am Wrong!	Two Sons	<i>Luke 15:11-32</i>
7	My Words Can Forgive!	The Forgiving King	<i>Matthew 18:21-35</i>
8	My Words Can Honor God	Balaam's Words	<i>Numbers 22</i>

## WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Please join the ladies of GPCC at the home of Andrea Hodges (926 Island Road, Titus) for a potluck Soup and Salad luncheon on Saturday, **January 19** at noon. The purpose of the luncheon is fellowship and friendship building. We will also be discussing the GPCC Women's Ministry and its Vision and Mission for 2019, so please bring any ideas you want to see included for the next year. Contact Emily Shade at 478-213-3634 to RSVP and sign up to bring a dish.

## WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Women In God's Service (WINGS) will be resuming after the new year on Tuesday, **January 15** in the home of Kristina Garr at 9:30 am. We meet on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month, and serve along side the Isaiah 58 ministry the last Friday of the month at Santuck Baptist Church.

It will be a great time of fellowship, while studying God's Word! For more information, please contact Kristina Garr at 970-589-3594



Princess Day is **January 6th**. Please pray over the event as we serve and pamper our Blooms. If you would like to participate in Princess Day, please see Ashley Williams or Paige Butler.

## MEN'S MINISTRY

Community Service—Our men will be serving at the Wetumpka Food Pantry the **first Saturday** of each month from 9:15 a.m.–1:30 p.m.

Men's breakfast is the **last Sunday** of each month from 7:30–9:00 a.m. Please plan to join us for good food and great fellowship.

## NEW SMALL GROUP

David and Ashely Williams will be starting Love and Respect as a small group for couples on **January 25th**. We will meet on Friday nights at 6:30. Child care will be provided. See Ashley or David Williams for details.

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## CHURCH-WIDE

January 20 –Membership Class

January 27–Praise and Prayer Service

January 25–New Small Group Begins

February 15-16 Marriage Enrichment Conf.

January 27–Baptism Service

January 27–Quarterly Luncheon

## EMBRACE GRACE MINISTRY

January 6–Princess Day for the Blooms

## MEN'S MINISTRY

January 5 –Wetumpka Food Pantry

January 27–Men's Breakfast

## WOMEN'S MINISTRY

January 15–WINGS Bible Study resumes

January 19 –Women's Ministry Luncheon

## YOUTH MINISTRY

January 18–20 Youth Retreat

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