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2025 HAPPY NEW YEAR! **2025**

Better

New Year ● Better You

NEW SERMON SERIES BEGINS JANUARY 5

We all want to grow and reach our goals, but this is hard to do in a culture that values perfection — we feel pressure to pursue a perfect relationship, a perfect body, a perfect image, a perfect life. As a result, we are left burnt out, disappointed, and worse off than we started. What if we could grow without striving for perfection? What if our goal was to be better instead of perfect? Join us for a new series, starting January 5, as we talk about how choosing better keeps us moving toward Christ and one another.

2 Timothy 2:15 WordWise

Jeff Lyon

Here we are at the end of yet another year. 2024 is in the rearview, and we're staring down the barrel of 2025.

What does 2025 hold for the Church of Christ in Edgerton, Ohio? Where does God want to take us? What does God want us to do to expand his Kingdom here in our area and around the world?

Wouldn't you love to be able just to sit down with God and have Him line out exactly what His plans are for us? I really wish He would send me a letter (actually, it would be better if it were a text or an e-mail) and tell me what He wanted us to do. And I wish I felt confident enough to share with you exactly what God's plans are. I would love a firm plan for where we should go, what we should do, and how to accomplish what God has planned for us. But, even with all the asking that I've done, I still don't know exactly where God is going to take us in 2025. I can't tell you exactly what will happen, and I can't even share with you everything that will take place. But that's why it takes faith.

There are some things that I know we're going to do in 2025. For example, on the back of this newsletter, you'll see that we will have our own "Souper Bowl" in February. It is just a fun night to get together, swap some soup recipes, and crown the 25 Edgerton Church of Christ "Soup MVP."

Easter is late this year, but on April 20th, we'll have our traditional Easter breakfast as usual. We'll celebrate Mother's Day on May 11th and Father's Day on June 15th. This year's church picnic will be on August 10th. Depending on the weather,

we'll have church in the park and then share a picnic lunch like we have in the past.

One new thing this year is that the powers that be have asked if I would try to put together a Community Church service for the Sunday of Homecoming Weekend. That could be a really wonderful Sunday, with the churches here in Edgerton and the surrounding area coming together and worshipping as one. What an awesome picture of Jesus's prayer that would be.

I've been encouraging you to get into God's word and start spending some time reading and studying for yourselves. So, I'm excited about the sermon series we will begin in February. It's going to be a long one. It will run through October (with some strategic breaks for Easter and such). For several years now, I've been reading through a book called "The Story." The author has taken the NIV translation of the Bible and written it out in paragraph form and in chronological order. So, the book reads like a novel rather than being broken up into chapters and verses, as the typical Bible does.

The Story will help us visualize the Bible's story, which is one continuous narrative about God's relationship with humanity, from creation to redemption and beyond. The Story will help us understand the overarching plot and how individual events and characters contribute to the grander narrative.

It will also help us see that the Bible is not our story. The Bible is God's story. Of course, that doesn't mean we don't play a role. Before we get into the book, we'll spend a week discussing the fact that we are a character in God's book. As well as a couple of other things that we'll need to remember as we read The Story.

Along with the Sermons, starting on March 9th, we'll kick off Sunday school again. We'll be following along with the same study we're using for the sermons. The lessons will offer a fresh perspective and a different theme than the sermons, to help us get as much out of our study of "The Story" as possible.

To help follow along with the series, starting in February there will be copies of "The Story" available in the foyer for \$5 each. I encourage you to take one for your family or one for each of you to read and follow along with our study.

Lisa and I want to wish you all a very happy New Year! And I am so looking forward to 2025. I know God has great plans for his church, which means, since you are the church, He has great plans for you.



JANUARY 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5 10:30 am Worship	6 7:00 pm Ladies Aid 7:00 pm Leadership Team Meeting	7	8	9	10 Don Suffel	11
12 10:30 am Worship	13	14	15	16	17	18
Willard Hollinger				Mike Pippin		
19 10:30 am Worship 11:30 am Family Dinner / Annual Meeting	20	21	22	23	24	25
26 10:30 Worship	27	28	29 Tracey Reliford	30	31	

2025 Souper Bowl

Feb. 9
5:30



Let's see who's soup makes it over the Goal line!

Bring a small pot of soup and something else to share and we'll all taste and vote on the best.

The best soup will be declared and the winner will go home with a "souper" prize!

Oh Yeah, the game will be on if you want to watch and, if not, bring a game to play!

Edgerton Church of Christ
LADIES AID

Jan. 6
7:00 pm



Edgerton Church of Christ
LEADERSHIP TEAM

Jan. 6
7:00 pm



Pray For Our Church

Outreach to the community Priority of Prayer
Spiritual and numerical growth Wisdom to move forward

By The Numbers November, 2024

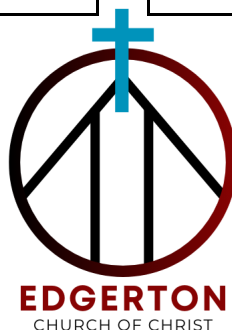
Savings	\$70,236.47	Income	\$7,505.00
Checking	\$31,307.21	Expenses	\$6,893.23
Ladies	\$444.66	Net Income	\$611.77

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