

FOCUS

January 2025

Daleheightschurch.org

25 for 2025:

Promises Made by or Things to Know about God

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June Zeeh (2024)
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Gerry Klump (2025)
Edi Chan (2026)
Gale Oakes (2026)

1. We belong to God.
2. God loves each and every one of us.
3. God is love and all about love and he wants us to love others.
4. We are to confess our mistakes and sins to God.
5. God forgives and don't forget that.
6. God can guide us to different types of freedom.
7. We can trust God.
8. We can talk with God about our unbelief.
9. God wants to do a new thing in the world and in our lives.
10. God is a wonderful light in the darkness of our lives.
11. God wants us to seek his presence and listen and talk to each other.
12. God's word can speak to us in amazing ways.
13. God puts people in our lives to help us live better lives.
14. God is present and can be seen in nature! Actually, in all things!
15. God wants us to be in community with others like we are to each other at Dale Heights and invite others to join us.
16. God is one person in 3 beings: the Father, the Son & the Holy Ghost.
17. God wants us to forgive others even when it may be difficult.
18. Well, God asks us to forgive ourselves.
19. We are never alone.
20. God wants us to talk with others about our faith.
21. God comes to us to heal us.
22. We must be willing to let go of the life we have planned for ourselves in order to have the life God wants for us. And we are to be patient about God's timing.
23. God wants us to pray to him about everything.
24. God wants us to live with joy and praise and faith and trust.
25. God asks us to be generous with our gifts and talents and we all have them!

*"Commit to the Lord whatever you do,
and your plans will succeed"*
(Proverbs 16:3).

JANUARY

Breakfast

The Dale Heights monthly breakfast will be held on:

Saturday
January 11, 2024.

Serving will begin at 8:30 am.
The suggested donation is \$4.

RSVP to Roy L. if you have not already done so.



Church Office Hours:

9:30-1:30

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

The deadline for article submissions for the February issue of the FOCUS is January 27, 2024.

January

Birthdays

- 05 Vicki Klump
- 11 Jim Lundgren
- 12 Keith Chan
Michelle Shannon
- 18 Colleen Shannon Longua
- 27 Theo Engebregtsen
Deb Hughes

Anniversaries

- 01 Bill & Lenore Mercer
- 17 Edi & Keith Chan

choir

We invite all who are interested to participate in the choir. Rehearsals are held on Wednesdays at 7:15 p.m.:

January 8, 15, 22, 29

February 5, 12, 19, 26

March 5, 12

April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30



CHURCH WOMEN UNITED FORUM

Friday, Jan 10, 2025

Human Rights Celebration Forum

9:30-11:30 AM

First Baptist Church

518 N Franklin Avenue, Madison, WI 53705

Award for Human Rights

Brandi Grayson

Founder & CEO Urban Triage

(there will be no Zoom information to share)



We are in need of a host church for the May Friendship Day Luncheon on
Friday, May 2, 2025.

If you could check with your church to see if we could meet there, it would be greatly appreciated. Please contact Carolyn Rumph to answer any questions you might have about this. Her email is **br0wnsugar@charter.net** (use the number 0)

Working Capital for Community Needs



Dear Supporters,

For 40 years, WCCN has been your trusted partner in creating real, measurable change for communities across Latin America. Yet, we know how important it is to see the difference your contributions make. How can you be sure your support truly transforms lives?

We're proud to answer that question in our 2023 Impact Report. This report highlights how your generosity has empowered women entrepreneurs, uplifted rural communities, and driven financial inclusion. With your support, WCCN has delivered over \$160 million in loans, with a 100% repayment record to our investors since 1991.

Together, we've created hope and opportunity where it's needed most. But there's still so much to do.

Read the report to see your impact in action. [WCCN IMPACT REPORT](#)

Your continued support makes all the difference.

Thank you for standing in solidarity with the people of Latin America.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY CLOTHING SORTERS NEEDED



Make a Difference by Sorting Clothing Donations

Our clothing center is a busy place! As the weather turns colder, households rely on our inventory of donated items to keep warm during the winter. The Clothing Center served more than 2,000 households last year, which helps families manage tight budgets that have little room after paying rent and meeting other basic needs.

All the clothing in our Clothing Center comes through generous donations. We need your help to sort these clothes and get them ready to be put out on the racks for our guests. Please note, that you'll be standing and moving throughout the shift. Ages 16 and up welcome or ages 12-15 with an adult.

[SIGN UP TO SORT CLOTHES](#)

Thank You for Supporting the Holiday Art Market at FCI!



Thanks for supporting the Holiday Art Market at FCI on December 7 and 8, which raised more than \$50,000. Over 50 local artists and makers participated in the market, donating at least 20% of their sales to WayForward. ReMitts sold lots of their warm and colorful mittens at the market, donating 100% directly to support our programs. We love seeing what happens when people come together to support building a strong community where everyone has access to nutritious food to eat and a warm place to sleep!

End-of-Year Giving

We are grateful to everyone who has provided generous financial support to WayForward Resources this year. As you make your year-end giving plans, please consider talking with your tax or other financial advisors about how you can join our community efforts to create food security and housing stability through a gift from your IRA, a donor advised fund, or appreciated stock.

[DONATE](#)



How about thinking about some ideas on ways to save resources, save money and live more sustainably? Helping our world gifted to us from our God who loves us very much and encourages us to do our best!

Some are one-offs. Some are daily or regular habits. Some are free. Some have costs. Some will save you money, and they will all enhance sustainability in our community.

1. Take a short(er), cooler shower. Cutting your shower time by **one minute** can save 75 gallons of water per month. Go further and install a low-flow fixture while you're at it.
2. Unplug unused appliances and chargers.
3. Feed your soil. Get a mulching lawnmower. Hey, you can share it with a neighbor or two! Mulch grass and leaves.
4. Add native plants to your landscaping.
5. Choose organic.
6. Install rain barrels.
7. Only run full appliances (washer, dryer, dishwasher).
8. Harness the sun and wind: Hang out your laundry (on an old school clothesline or foldable clothes drying rack).
9. Wash your clothes in cold water. (Try using less detergent as well).
10. Add a motion detector to your outdoor lights. Alternatively, turn them off at night. It's about energy and it's better for our wildlife.
11. Beat food waste: Plan menus and shopping and eat what you make/have.

12. Be water wise: Turn off the water when you brush your teeth. You got this already!!!
13. Practice Meatless Monday.
14. Be water wise: Fix a dripping sink or leaking toilet.
15. Eat local. Drink local.
16. Join a CSA.
17. Don't wash your clothes unless they're dirty.
18. Go to the farmer's market.
19. Build a rain garden. Ask someone for help if you need to!
20. Eat less meat and dairy. Those darn beef cattle and if you want to know why, google it!
21. Beat food waste: Make "fridge cleanup" egg bites, frittatas, quiche or soup to use up bits and pieces in the fridge. Yummy and you'll feel like you've done something meaningful.
22. Plan your errands for efficiency. We're past doing just one errand when going out unless we absolutely have to.
23. Plan and take a "stay'cation."
24. Insulate hot and cold water pipes and your attic.
25. Keep a flask in your car to fill up with water for free rather than buying a bottle. While you're at it, keep an insulated flask or cup to enjoy the free coffee at the bank.



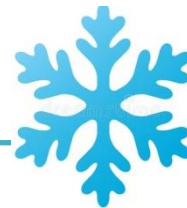
DALE HEIGHTS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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JANUARY CALENDAR

- 5 Annual Congregational Meeting
- 8 Choir practice
- 11 Church breakfast
- 12 Worship – Melissa Schmidt
Fellowship
- 14 Property & Finance
- 15 Choir practice
- 19 Worship – Rev. Kathleen Owens
Ordination of Officers
Session
- 22 Choir practice
- 26 Worship – Melissa Schmidt
Fellowship
- 29 Choir practice



Liturgists

- January 5: Marcia Holman
- January 12: Wendy Weber
- January 19: Roy Lembcke
- January 26: Gerry Klump