



Welcome to the year 2018!!

The Lord blessed our time together all throughout 2017 and we are confident He will continue to do the same during 2018!! Having just celebrated the Birth of our Savior, we want to make certain that the celebration is felt / had / seen more than just the one day that most people celebrate – we need to celebrate His birth all 365 days as it truly is a Miraculous Birth that was never before experienced and will never be repeated! And, as we celebrate His birth, we are also being prepared to recognize the reason He came to us as a baby and that was to die. Jesus did not remain a baby, wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger (as seen in Luke 2 : 7) but instead grew as we grow and was tempted as we are tempted – however – He did not sin. He came to not only show us how to resist sin but to also pay a price that we could not pay for the sins He did not commit – and He paid that price, my price, your price, on the cross of Calvary (Luke 23). On April 01 you are invited to join us as we celebrate the Risen Savior and the reason that He did all that – He did it to save you – me – His creation!! If you are not sure if you know Jesus as your Savior, please feel free to contact the Church and we will be pleased to answer your questions and to pray for you / with you!

Please plan on joining us more than just a couple of weekends each year – you are invited to join us every week: your kids (K – through 6<sup>th</sup> Grade) are invited to our AWANA Group that meets Wednesday evenings starting at 6:45pm under our AWANA Commander Bro. Ronny Williams. Your older teens will find fun and teaching under our Youth Pastor Bro. Nick Jackson. Our adult class will be continuing our study of the Book of Revelation on Wednesday evenings (and we may also have a snack or two to enjoy while we fellowship and study together). Our time together on Sunday starts with our Sunday School hour at 9:30am where we have several classes for you to choose from to help you find where God wants you to be. Our Sunday morning worship time begins at 10:30am and we invite you to come back Sunday evening at 5:30pm where we have classes for our children, teenagers and our adult groups. This year we are pleased to introduce a class from Financial Peace University under the direction of Bro. Dennis and Misty Sprouse and it is going on right now also during the Sunday evening meeting time.

God allows us to accomplish many things in His name and we want to always acknowledge Him as our Lord and Savior. Through His Word and the assembling together of ourselves, we praise the name of Jesus and we invite you to join us. If you are looking for a church home or are simply traveling through the Gilmer, Texas area and are looking for a place to worship – please prayerfully consider joining us as we lift our voices to proclaim

To God be the Glory,

*Bro. Brian*