



FSouth Central RWARD
by faith... a call to holiness



Pastoral Illumination

We are off to a wonderful start for 2014! The month of January brought us good crowds and encouraging contributions financially and otherwise. And while numbers don't tell all of the story, they DO paint an accurate picture of the potential that we possess to do the right thing for God. Not only do we have the capacity to please Him by doing what is right by His church; we are able to do greater things to His name's honor and glory. That's why I often ask you to dream with me about what SouthCentral Church of Christ can be. We must dream big things for God and then do big things with God. From our conception as a congregation, one of our statements has been "Think outside of the box!" At this juncture in our history we cannot afford to think less than that! Only after 15 years the box must be larger and more of a challenge than it was at the beginning back in 1998. In all honesty, we should be planning for our 20th anniversary in only 4 short years and while we're at it, we need to decide what we will accomplish between now and then!

I pray to God that what we are experiencing is the on-going maturity and development of individuals within this particular church family, and that it becomes contagious without end. We have things to do and growth to manage. Some we already know about...others we do not. As our crowds continue to grow we will need to make gradual adjustments. Our overflow can accommodate 25-30 more seats, but we must plan NOW to accommodate much more than that! Our sanctuary needs to be expanded, which means that classrooms will need to be constructed elsewhere. This should be a short range-long range plan, and that's part of the picture—but not nearly all of it!

In the meantime we have some close, reachable and doable goals that we're planning to go for in 2014. We want to change the signage on our property and erect a theme that more closely reflects the people that we are as a church. This is the goal of our **2014 BIRTHDAY CHALLENGE**. I am pleased to see the response to this request and I am praying and hopeful that we will have 100 % participation. Some of our members are not only giving their age in dollars, they are giving more. I asked that you consider it another gift to the Lord for giving us another year of life! This can be a great and simple success story if we will include our children and entire family. In past years some have even given in honor of loved ones who have gone on. The BIRTHDAY CHALLENGE is a cooperative effort that proves what we can do together with God!

I always urge us to use the church website to keep abreast of all of the things going on and that are planned. Sctyler.com is a site I am personally proud of and you should be to. It is colorful, fresh and very interactive. We get visitors from all over the world as well as requests for prayer and notes of encouragement. If you are not a frequent visitor, I invite you to visit soon. And while you're online, stop by SouthCentral's Facebook page. If you haven't "liked" it yet, please do so and send an invitation to your family and friends.

Our caregroups are fired up and at work for the new year! We are including newer members and connecting with more of our "Attenders" (Those who attend but are not yet members). Let's keep up the pace and remain prayerful in the process. I believe that God is going to do some things with us in 2014 that He has never done with us before...and I don't want to miss the opportunity!

Pastor Bowdre

Senior Minister
Darryl B. Bowdre

Deacons
Prentice Butler
Charles Craddock
Rufus Thompson

Schedule of Services

Sundays

Sunday School
9:00 a.m.

Worship
10:15 a.m.

Wednesdays

Mid-Week Bible Classes
6:30 p.m.

Regular Monthly Meetings

2nd Sunday

South CareGroup

In Auditorium

Central CareGroup

In the Intermediate Classroom

North CareGroup

In the McGowan Center

Choir Rehearsal

2nd & 3rd Sundays

Total Praise

1st & 3rd Sundays

SouthCentralites

8:00 a.m.

1st Tuesday

The GAME

(Girlfriends Anointed Motivated and Excelling)

Thursdays

(1st and 3rd)

Women's Circle Meeting

6:00 p.m.

4th Sunday

MENistry

8:00 a.m.

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