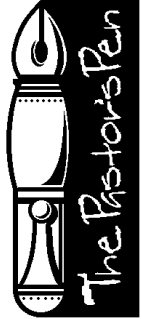


*"For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and **the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.**" Isaiah 9:6*



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Let me wish you a Happy New Year!

I like new beginnings. I like to start over. I don't know if I'm an optimist or if we all like the opportunity to have a clean slate and a new opportunity to succeed. In the military, the norm for us was to go to a new duty station about every three years. An opportunity to begin again with a new chain of command and new people around you. To perhaps recreate yourself into someone better.

I hope you have hope going into this new year. A hope that you can be better. A hope that you can become a better person for those around you. A better neighbor. A better servant on that board you are on. A better Christian.

Even though I am one who likes new beginnings, I don't do New Year's Resolutions. Starting over once a year just doesn't work for me. I try to live my life in such a way that every morning when I get up I resolve to do better that day. I'm so thankful for verses like Lamentations 3:21-23...

"This I recall to my mind, therefore I have hope.

The LORD's loving kindness indeed never cease,

For His compassions never fail.

They are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness."

I appreciate God's mercy being new every morning. A new morning. A new day. A new opportunity to get it right.

I love Winston Churchill's quote on success:

"Success consists of going from failure to failure without loss of enthusiasm."

I am excited for the new year. I have high hopes for where we can go as a church and as a people of God. It may mean a bit of "failing forward" due to our humanity. We won't do everything right the first time. But by God's grace we can succeed and be better for Him.

Blessings,
Pastor Matt

ONLINE WORSHIP—LIVE SUNDAYS AT 10:30AM

A recording of each service will still be available and posted to the website Sunday afternoons.

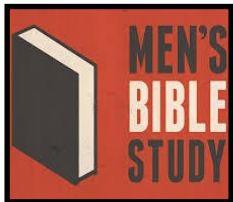
Link to weekly worship services and all past worship services can be found on our church website:

www.desotobaptistchurch.org

or on our Facebook account



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MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

2nd & 4th Wednesdays of each month at 6:30 pm
Meeting in the Copeland Center



DOERS OF THE WORD WOMEN'S GROUP

All women are invited to Participate in our Doers of the Word Bible Study and Prayer Group.

2nd and 4th Tuesday 1:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall.

Subject to change for winter months.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact

Mary Etta Copeland (913-583-1425)



ABW Ladies Soup & Salad Dinner and Meeting

January 8th

6:00p.m.

Lower Level

January 10

Deacons & Trustees Meeting 6:30 p.m.
Business Meeting 7:00 p.m.



Mayor's Christmas Tree Lighting

DBC had a craft table for children
Hot Chocolate outside for adults and children



2024 Mid Winter Missions Conference

January 19-20, 2024

First Baptist Church

807 Constitution, Emporia, KS

Register online by going to www.abccr.org, and click on the "events" tab.

DE SOTO FOOD PANTRY

Donations Needed

Thank you so much for supporting this vital resource in our community!

MOST NEEDED ITEMS:

- Canned Fruit & Applesauce
- Dried beans
- Cereal
- Peanut butter
- Jelly
- Spaghetti sauce
- Box meals (*like Hamburger helper*)
- Tuna (*canned meat*)
- Personal items (*shampoo, razors*)
- Toilet paper

Donations bins are located at Harps & Great American Bank or can be dropped off at the Food Pantry during regular hours.

If you would like to make a monetary donation, please mail your check to: De Soto Food Pantry, 32905 W 84th, De Soto, KS 66018.

HOURS OF OPERATION:

Tuesdays — 10 am to 12 pm

Thursdays — 4 pm to 6 pm

Saturdays — 9 am to 11 pm

The food pantry is located in the same building as City Hall and the Community Center. Anyone with a DeSoto address or a student enrolled in the DeSoto School District, and that can show proof of residency, is eligible to shop.



TITHES & OFFERINGS



THANK YOU!!!

For submitting Tithes and Offerings
to:

DeSoto Baptist Church
PO Box 578- DeSoto, KS 66018

ONE DE SOTO RELIEF FUND

For citizens of De Soto

The De Soto Food Pantry has created a fund called ***One De Soto Relief Fund***. This fund is available for community residents who are undergoing a hardship due to a current emergency, crisis, or natural disaster.

For more information, visit our website at:

www.desotoksfoodpantry.wordpress.com

Thank you for your support!




BIRTHDAYS

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4 Anita Martin Jennifer Weese	5	6 John Toner
7	8 Patti Hollingsworth Griffen Cosby	9 Wanda Hughes	10	11 Jonny Hodges	12	13
14	15	16 Frankie Lister	17	18	19	20
21	22 Kristen Huang <i>Jim & Reba Berola</i>	23 Jim Ellis	24 <i>Jeff & Candy Sipe</i>	25	26	27
28 <i>Richard & Mary Etta Copeland</i>	29 Jim Brashears <i>Tanner & Leslie McNamara</i>	30 Julie Riffel Mason Griffin	31			

Calendar

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

	1 	2	3	4	5	6
7 Communion Deacon's Fund	8 ABW Ladies Soup & Salad Dinner and Meeting 6:00pm	9 Women's Bible Study 1:00pm	10 Deacons and Trustees 6:30 p.m. Business Meeting 7:00	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23 Women's Bible Study 1:00pm.	24 Men's Bible Study 6:30pm	25 De Soto Brass Band Concert 7:00pm DHS	26	27
28	29	30	31			

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JANUARY 2024

