

# THE FORESTBROOK LIGHTHOUSE

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## FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN

Pastor Jim

Dear Forestbrook Family,

**2010, can you believe it?** A new year ahead of us, an old one behind us, how time does fly. Well, as we face a new year, we know not what a year may bring forth, good or bad. I read a good thought the other day where someone said, "Life can change in the blink of an eye, but God never blinks." That sure puts things in a different perspective for a Christian.

As we move into the new year, we can certainly all agree that we need a fresh touch from God in America.

- Now, as we recover from the massacre of the brave soldiers at Fort Hood.
- Now, when the divorce rate is over 50% for first time marriages, 67% for second marriages and 73% for third marriages.
- Now, when the number of abortions since Row vs. Wade (1973) has exceeded 45 million.
- Now, when the unemployment rate is over 10%; the highest since 1983.
- Now, when the National Foreclosure Ticker shows 2,070,955 since Jan. 1, 2009 and counting.

Yes, we need a fresh touch from the Lord in 2010. We cannot do much about the world situation, but we certainly can do something about our own lives as we live them in this new year. That will be our focus for the next six weeks. We will talk about important subjects such as, A Healthy Attitude, A Healthy Heart, A Healthy Home, A Healthy Body and A Healthy Mind. That we may become the People of God that He desires us to be and Healthy in Every Way.

So please be sure to join us every Sunday in the Month of January and February so that we can be Healthy Christians in every way. <img alt="cross icon" data-bbox="110 685 135 700"/>

Love Ya,  
Pastor Jim

*Let your light so shine before men,  
that they may see your good works,  
and glorify your Father  
which is in heaven.*

*Matthew 5:16*

# 2010

# TOP 10 LIST

## Top Ten Ways to Encourage Your Pastor

1. **Roll up your Sleeves and Become a Part of the Team**—Attend church faithfully and show that you're eager to follow his leadership.
2. **Be Openly Responsive**—Nothing excites a spiritual leader like seeing people respond to the preaching and teaching.
3. **Submit to the Leadership of your Pastor**—The Bible places special emphasis on submission to spiritual authorities (Heb. 13:17).
4. **Treat him with Proper Respect**—A pastor is God's appointed man, to help guide the soul of you and your family and needs your love and respect (1 Thess. 5:12-13).
5. **Pray, Pray, Pray for Your Pastor**—Pray for him everyday; that God will shower him with an abundance of love, joy, faith, peace, power, wisdom, and courage.
6. **Commit to Stand with Him Through Tough Times**—Be a REAL friend...not just a fair-weather buddy. A genuine friend is someone who remains steadfast with you regardless of what may come.
7. **Be Patient and Understanding**—Do not expect your pastor or his family to be perfect. They are human too and have the same human tendencies that we all face.
8. **Support him financially**—so he can keep his mind on the work of the ministry. If a man can not properly care for his family, he will be distracted from the ministry.
9. **Give Him the Benefit of the Doubt**—Support your pastor even when he can not publicly explain why certain decisions were made. Avoid criticism.
10. **Squelch Gossip and Bad Mouthing**—Do not speak or listen to gossip or slander about your pastor (1 Tim. 5:19).

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## JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES AND BIRTHDAYS

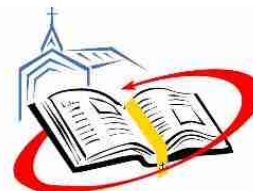
01	Randy Whitaker	13	Frank Pence	19	Beth Allman	22	Stan and Eileen Austin	25	Christi Smith
02	Jim and Diane Sullivan	13	Bill Sammons	19	Carol Smith	22	Ryan Wright	26	Sissy Singleton
08	Tracy Hancock	15	Kim Swartz	21	Donald Bean	24	Carolyn Drake	27	Hank Baldea
10	Faye Parker	18	Ken and Sally Evans	22	Ashlee Rogers	25	Tom Reynolds	27	Bill and Samantha Sammons
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## SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS & VIEWS



*The Bible Comes To Life  
In Sunday School!*

### Happy New Year!

Has attending Sunday school been a regular part of your Sunday morning worship? If so, you know what wonderful classes we have and how blessed we are to have such gifted teachers. If you have not made attending Sunday School a priority, now is a good time to start.

During the month of January the adult classes will continue studying “How to Live in Stressful Times” from the book of Mark. Could you benefit from this study? If so, plan to attend the remaining classes beginning Sunday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Several Sunday mornings in December we’ve had young homeless men of college age visit our church looking for food. Mrs. Sandy Hagy has prepared several “to go” bags containing Peanut Butter, Crackers, Vienna Sausage, and Fruit. It’s enough to help with their current needs. We plan to add juice, a gospel tract and information about local agencies that can offer additional help. These bags are located in the Sunday school office and will be available when a need arises.

See you in Sunday school next Sunday,  
Sandy West

**WANTED: YOUTH OF ALL AGES**  
Wednesdays at 7 pm and Sundays at 6 pm

### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

*“and the Lord added to the church....”*

**Gary and Brenda Thurston**  
**Dorothy Merricks**  
291-B Connemara Drive  
Myrtle Beach, SC 29579

**Jamie Tippins**  
*(Jim and Louanne Tippins’ son)*

## JANUARY

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## 2010

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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3 COMMUNION AM SERVICE	4 7:30 pm Deacons Mtg.	5	6	7	8	9
10 6:00 pm Discipleship Training	11 10:00 am Caring & Sharing 7:30 pm B&G Mtg.	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21 6:30 pm Street Reach	22 6:30 pm Deacons and Wives Fellowship	23
24	25 WBA Qtrly Mtg.	26	27	28	29	30
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**2010 MISSION TRIP TO GUATEMALA: April 24 — May 1**

**Registration and Deposit Deadline is January 24th — Contact Diane Hutto at 248-9358**