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Hello, everyone! The new year is squarely here, and we're all getting used to putting 2012 instead of 2011 on our checks! Apparently, the cold waited for the new year to really hit us! But forecast says friday/saturday will be warm again---I sure hope so!

New Years offer us a time to re-prioritize our lives. May God give us, each one, a greater hunger for His presence this year. I know the Lord has a unique and special plan for you, and it's one of purpose, of victory, and of power in the Holy Spirit. Let's press in to prayer, to the Word, to share our faith with the unreached, and to really love each other as Christ's Word commands! Praise the Lord for His hand of mercy and provision in our lives! I wouldn't want to even THINK about trying to face a whole year without knowing God was with me.

Starting tonight, i'll be teaching on Jesus' words to the 7 churches in Revelations. I believe there's a word for us today in those verses, and I trust you'll be blessed by the study.

There's lots of details I could share with you, but instead I'll direct you to the bulletin. However, I did want to emphasize two things:

1. Community service for Full -Gospel churches. Pastor Kevin Crawford and I are working to facilitate a quarterly service of like-minded, pentecostal churches. We're doing this to foster greater unity among the brothers and to seek the face of the Lord. First Assembly Morganton is hosting this first one, Jan. 15th, at 6 p.m. Pastor Kevin will be preaching. Let's come out in force that night, and invite friends to be with us. We're expecting a dynamic move of the Holy Spirit!

2. Home Life Groups: We took a break for the holidays, but we're back to our regular schedule. I believe this small group time in someone's home can be one of the keys to growth for our church. It will help the newcomer connect and make friendships, and it allows a deeper level of discipleship in an informal situation. Please be a part of one, and invite unchurched people to come with you---you won't regret it! The Life Group table will be back up this Sunday, and you can choose which home you'd like to go to. Our next date for that is Jan. 22nd, at 6 p.m.

May God's peace calm your soul, and may His presence empower you to faithful obedience!

Pastor Daniel

