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Baby Dedications Today
 1st Service: Baby Jeriah Teets/Parents: Ceaira & Cody Teets
 2nd Service: Baby Rowan Hough/Parents: Salem & Jason Hough

Advent Begins: Fred & Lois Sanders will be lighting the first Advent Candle

Advent is a season observed in many Christian churches as a time of expectant waiting and preparation for the celebration of the Nativity of Jesus at Christmas. Christians have spoken of the three comings of Christ: in the flesh in Bethlehem, in our hearts daily, and in glory at the end of time. The season offers the opportunity to share in the ancient longing for the coming of the Messiah, and to be alert for his Second Coming.

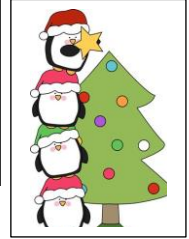
Honoring our Pastors at Christmas

If you would like to bless Pastor Dan and Pastor Ron this Christmas, special gift envelopes are being given out today and next Sunday. Envelopes may be placed in the offering basket by Sunday, Dec 17th. If you don't receive a special envelope, see any Elder. Gifts are tax deductible and checks are payable to: Divine Hope Church. If you give cash and want your gift recorded on your giving statement, please write your name on the envelope. If you have questions, please see Doug Buckley.

Sun., December 10, 5:00 pm Youth Christmas Party...Holiday FUN!

Parties are always more fun when more people show up! Encourage your youth to come and bring some friends.

- Crazy Gift Exchange so bring a \$5 gift.
- Ugly Christmas Sweater contest! See how many hilarious creations we'll have.
- Door prizes, competition prizes
- Prize for the student who brings the most friends!



Tues., December 12, 6:00 pm: Elders Christmas Dinner at Perkins. All Elders and their families will be dining together at Perkins. We hope everyone will be able to attend. Pastor & Julie may have a little something up their sleeves that will produce a little laughter.

Sun., December 17, 5:00 pm: Divine Hope Christmas Dinner at the Squad Hall This is a "carry-in" covered dish dinner. Please bring one or two dishes to share. ***The Children's Program will follow the meal.***

DIVINE HOPE CHURCH MEMBERSHIP, NEW YEAR'S EVE, DEC. 31ST

If you love Divine HOPE Church and feel like this is your home, why not become a member? If you have received Christ as your Savior, Colossians 1 tells us that God transfers us from a domain of darkness into the Kingdom of the Son He loves. We are then called to live in community, uphold Biblical standards set forth in the Word of God, and become an active part of reaching the world with God's love through the ministries of the local church. Membership does not save us, it enables us to grow and become spiritually mature in Christ. If Divine HOPE Church is where you thrive, we invite you to become a member. Membership Cards are available in the back of the church and by the entryways. Please fill out and return by or on Dec. 17th.

Sun., December 24th Christmas Eve Day Services at our regular times and Christmas Eve Services at 5:30 & 7:00 pm. Candle lighting and Communion will be in the evening services.



We are planning a contemporary ***New Year's Eve IGNITE SERVICE!*** It is going to be a very special time as we celebrate the beginning of a New Year! Youth are especially invited to attend this service. We will be introducing our new contemporary service with lights, video worship and an experience with God that will take you into 2018 inspired and challenged. You will receive a renewed vision!

Offering Counters For December: 3rd - Bob & Bev Everett 10th - Phil Crumley, Jason Johnson, Harry Carpenter
 17th - Margaret Oxford, Joyce Williams, Melissa Brennehan 24th - Paul & Brenda McIntyre, Kevin Artice 31st - Bob & Bev Everett