



## CHURCH SCHEDULE:

### Sunday School

10:00 AM

### Evening Worship

7:00 PM

### Bible Study

Wednesday

7:30 PM

### Prayer Meeting

Saturday 7:00 PM

## I'm Determined to Lift up Standards

Every year as we start a brand new year we make promises that we may or may not keep by the end of the year; nevertheless, we do have good intentions. It has become a prominent reminder to us that we need to be about our Father's business. This year we are focusing on lifting up standards as we find our Purpose and Power in Christ. Anyone can come to church and go through the motions of religion and be morally good people. The Lord is looking for a people who will be dedicated enough to love him with all of their being: their heart, soul, mind, and strength. It's easy to have a form of religion, but the Lord is looking for a people who aren't satisfied with only a half commitment. He is looking for a people who are sold out to this message and who love him above all that the world has to offer. It's easy to accept the status quo, go the way that the majority goes, give the way the Pharisees gave, and live the way the secular world lives. Easy to do, but at what price?

"As for me, this is my covenant with them saith the Lord; My spirit that is upon thee, and my words which I have put in thy mouth, shall not depart out of thy mouth, nor out of the mouth of thy seed, nor out of the mouth of thy seed's seed saith the Lord from henceforth and for ever" (Isaiah 59:21). "Death and life are in the power of the tongue, and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof" (Proverbs 18:21).

It could mean that you'll have to tell your friends, no, when they ask you to do things contrary to God's word. Maybe people won't understand the total change in you after you've received the Holy Ghost and been baptized in His name. Lift up the standards anyway. In time, people will respect your decision to live holy. (They may not ever openly admit it to you; however, so don't be too disappointed when they act differently toward you. Count it all joy, because you're not who you used to be; you're a child of the King!)

When people need help, they'll call on you; they may act differently toward you but they know they can put confidence in you. It's not so much that you have all of the answers to the world's problems, but you have Jesus and he's the answer for every need. If I refused to lift up standards, many souls would be lost, and their blood would be on my hands because I failed to share the gospel with them. I'm a child of God; an Apostolic, 24/7, and at no time should I lay down my standards so I can be like the world. We must always triumph and lift up standards, for to do anything less than our best in this area is to cause others to fall by the wayside. God bless you as you strive to lift up standards. —gm

### January

Faith Promise- \$2028  
Building Fund- \$355

### Wednesday nights:

Bible Study- *The Purpose  
Driven Life begins January  
6 at 7:00 P.M.*



"I love them that love me  
and those that seek me  
early will find me"  
(Proverbs 8:17).

### POG: **PURPOSE– POWER!**

PASTOR'S PRAYER PARTNERS: Sundays at 9:45 a.m..  
PRE-SERVICE PRAYER: Thirty minutes before services.  
THE HOUR OF POWER: Saturday from 7:00-8:00 p.m.  
BIBLE STUDY: Wednesday night, 7:30 p.m. (*The first six weeks we'll meet at 7:00 p.m.*).

**2015 TWA: 211**  
**Contacts: 13150**  
**Visitors: 1011**  
**Bible Studies: 292**  
**Holy Ghost: 62**  
**Baptism: 30**  
**Renewed: 1**

Trust God!  
Church Growth,  
Faith, Family  
Finances,  
Commitment

Mission Statement:  
The Pentecostals  
of Greenville is an  
Apostolic church.  
We are committed  
to exalt Jesus Christ;  
to worship Him  
in Spirit and in Truth;  
to proclaim the gospel;  
to evangelize  
our community;  
to minister  
to people's needs &  
to provide a  
spiritual atmosphere of  
fellowship and growth.

"If my people, which are called by my name,  
shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek  
my face, and turn from their wicked ways;  
then will I hear from heaven, and will  
forgive their sin, and will heal their land."  
2 Chronicles 7:14

**Ladies Conference** is March 10-11th at  
Lake Junaluska. Pre-registration is due 3/1.  
Register online([nclc2016.eventbrite.com](http://nclc2016.eventbrite.com))  
or pay church by 2/28. Information is  
at the front tables.

**Willie's**  
**Korner**

### **SMARTEST PEOPLE IN THE WORLD**

A doctor, a lawyer, a little boy and a priest were out for  
a Sunday afternoon flight on a small private plane.  
Suddenly, the plane developed engine trouble. In spite of the best  
efforts of the pilot, the plane started to go down. Finally, the pilot  
grabbed a parachute, yelled to the passengers that they had better  
jump, and then he bailed out.

Unfortunately, there were only three parachutes remaining. The doctor  
grabbed one and said "I'm a doctor, I save lives, so I must live," and jumped  
out.

The lawyer then said, "I'm a lawyer and lawyers are the smartest people in the  
world. I deserve to live." He also grabbed a parachute and jumped.

The priest looked at the little boy and said, "My son, I've lived a long and full  
life. You are young and have your whole life ahead of you. Take the last  
parachute and live in peace."

The little boy handed the parachute back to the priest and said, "Not to worry,  
Father. The 'smartest man in the world' just took off with my back pack."

**Until next Time. Willie**



### **January Birthdays:**

1 Meghan Laurin  
2 Ruby Streeter  
5 Rickey Aquilla  
6 Kara Ann Tate  
7 Josefina Esparza  
9 Zelma Smith  
12 Jesus Filomero  
17 Melanie Manning  
19 Angel Hardison  
21 Linda Williams  
24 Rebekah Laurin  
29 Maria Cruz  
30 Pearline Gibson  
31 Reba Thomas  
**If you have a  
birthday to add,  
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