



# The Valley Voice

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## CHRISTMAS CARD TREE

The following people have placed a card on the Card Tree and wish you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year:

Janice & Jim Clifford  
Marilyn Cutcliffe  
Sarah & Stewart Draper  
Beth & John Gregory  
Ginny & Ed Guindon  
Lola Kiser  
Sara Simon & Family  
Kim Triggs  
Peggi Zinser

We will be mailing a check to the Florida Christian Center in the amount of \$128 to be used in the Wishing Well.

*Thank You* 

Dear Valley,

*Thank you for the Advent Devotional shared dedication to my husband, Jerry.*

*This is a gift beyond words. You are all so kind and I recognize how fortunate I am to be a member of such a loving and giving congregation.*

Thank you, Carol Speed

## CHOIR PRACTICE



The choir will resume practice on Wednesday, January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019. We would like to invite **all** to join us as we practice songs that bring honor and glory to our Lord and Savior during our Sunday worship services.

Practice begins at 6:30 p.m., in the choir room, on Wednesday evenings. If the Lord has given you the gift of singing, *please* share that gift with us and join the fun and fellowship of choir!

Blessings, Stephanie

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## ANNUAL CHURCH PLANNING RETREAT



As we look forward to another year of ministry at Valley, we begin by looking to Jesus for guidance and direction. We seek to make this New Year one of following in His footsteps. We take to heart His parable about the two builders who constructed their houses on two different foundations.

The parable found in Matthew 7:24-27 tells the story. One man built his house upon a foundation of sand. The other built his house on a rock. When a great storm came the rains fell, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat upon both houses.

The house built upon the rock did not fall, because it had its foundation on a rock. It was solid. This builder was wise. But the other house built on sand came crashing down and fell with a great crash. This builder was foolish.

At Valley we seek to be builders like the wise man who built upon a rock. We seek to make our ministries relevant for our community and world. Therefore, each year we meet to plan and dream of how God wants Valley Christian to respond to the needs of our world.

This year our Annual Church Planning Retreat is set for Saturday, January 19<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. All of our new chairpersons of departments, as well as those who will serve in these departments, are urged to be present at this important planning session.

I look forward to seeing all Department members for this important meeting as we seek to build on the solid rock of God's love.

Brother Gary

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### Active Ageless Adults

On Wednesday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>, we will have a "Balance for Adults" Workshop here at the church in the Fellowship Hall directed by Donna Johnston from Iron City Physical Therapy. We will enjoy a chili lunch (chili by Gary) at 11:30 a.m. followed by the workshop. A sign-up list for "fixins" to share is on the desk by the elevator. Guests are welcome! Come and bring a friend!

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