

I wrote this devotional a few years back but the message still holds true today.

As a school teacher, I spent most of my time alone last week in my classroom. The snow kept our students away. While the heat in the building was on, my classroom stayed pretty cold. I often thought of my sweet students who filled each chair and how I missed their smiles and their conversation. I also realized that the room is never this cold when they are here. I can't wait until they come back to school. I was reminded, too, that I don't really like being alone. God didn't intend for us to spend our days alone. When we accept Him, he instructs us to join a group of God's people, a church. He knew the hardships and disappointments we were going to face in this life and He made a way for us so we would not have to go through them alone. A church is made of people who love the Lord and love people. They are encouragers when we need encouragement. They are helpers when we need help. They are prayer warriors when we need prayer. They are listeners when we just need someone to listen. God loves you and His people love you. Hebrews 10:25 tells us to assemble ourselves together as Christians. If we neglect to do this we give up the encouragement and help of other Christians. We are to share our faith and love and strengthen one another in the Lord. If you are trying to live this life alone, on your own, you are missing the blessings and help that God intended for you to have. He loves you and He sent a group of people to love and support you. Join a church, attend regularly and experience all that God has for you!

We would love for you to come and worship with us at Second Baptist Church in Cherryville! Lots of exciting things are happening! Rev. Jerry Lail brings God's message to us each time the doors open. Sunday services are at 11:00am and 6:00pm. Wednesday night Bible study begins at 7:00pm.