

## "ALL THINGS NEW"

"And He who sits on the throne said, 'Behold, I am making all things new.' And He said, 'Write, for these words are faithful and true.'" (Revelation 21:5, NASB95)

The Apostle John sees and hears marvelous wonders in this God-given vision of newness. We read that the Creator has decided to create all things new.

In v. 5, John sees and hears from the One who sits on the throne. He hears, "Behold, I am making all things new . . . . "

New. We know that when something is new, it has yet to be used. Sometimes, the latest is better than the old or superior to the old.

Dear Reader, when you think of the concept of "new," what comes to mind? A new car? A new house? A new job? A new relationship? Overall, what does the concept of "new" mean to you personally?

In a few weeks, we will eagerly anticipate the dawn of a new year. Will 2025 be better than 2024? Perhaps, but then, perhaps not. It remains to be seen whether 2025 will be better than 2024 for some of us.

Yet, we do know that a new year brings new expectations. To some, it brings a sense of excitement. Dear Reader, as 2025 approaches, we would do well to pray, "Lord, teach me to number my days." We would do well to ask God to guide us each new day and to cherish each day He gives us.

2025 will have 365 days, each brimming with potential for personal growth. For example, each new day in 2025, we will have a new opportunity to serve God in a new and unique way as He leads. Yes, as we serve Him faithfully each new day, God will stretch us beyond what we believe we can do or be. That's ok. We will learn to rely on Him daily. Perhaps our reliance on Him will be new to some of us. We will learn new features about God and ourselves as we depend on Him.

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## Upcoming Events & Announcements:

**Executive Board Meeting**— Tuesday January 14th at the LAB at 6:30pm.

Lab Recovery Team— If you feel God leading you to be apart of this ministry, please reach out to Silas Session at sjsession@yahoo.com

Pastor Prayer Meeting – Join us each Week at 9:00am for fellowship and prayer. Date will be emailed weekly.

LAB Office Holiday Hours — Closed December 23rd — January 6th.

## **Pastors Highlight**





Immanuel Baptist Church's pastor is Chris Workman. He has served as pastor here for pastor here for over 3 years.

Heavenbound Baptist Church's Pastor is Bryan Shofner. He has served here for 2 years.

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