January 2014

## Thoughts to ponder:

- What we ARE
   is God's gift to
   us. What we
   BECOME is our
   gift to God.
- When you blame others, you give up your power to change.
- The one who loves the least controls the relationship.
- Anger is one letter short of danger.
- Learn to create, not compete.
- Yesterday was the deadline for all complaints.
- You can love someone and not like the way they act.
- It is easier to say what we believe than be what we believe.

# NEWSLETTER

#### **NEW OPPORTUNITIES!**

As our church starts a new year, I am excited about the new opportunities that will present themselves in 2014. It is always nice to "reset" or "restart" that the beginning of a new year gives just that, a chance to reboot! As we look ahead we must not lose focus of the one who holds the future, **Revelation 22:13** says: "I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end."

This text is letting us know that in Christ there is completeness! He is all and all! With Him you just cannot go wrong.

Opportunities sometimes come packaged as challenges, even daunting at times. However if we as a church put Christ as the Alpha, the very beginning and the Omega, the very end; I

don't think there is a challenge that can stand in front of us that we can't see as a great opportunity to grow our faith and our church. So with that in mind I like to present a few opportunities for us to be praying about in the coming year.

#### **Church Mortgage**

**Debt** – I believe this is a great opportunity to see how God can provide for our financial needs

#### **Children's Ministries**

 Let's continue to pray for families and children.

#### Soup Kitchen Ministry – Please continue to pray that God will bless this outreach.

Evangelism - In a

personal way we can all be involve in reaching our friends and neighbors for Jesus.

#### Leadership Development – Please pray for the opportunity to get involve and help lead our church.

There will be more opportunities and challenges however we must not be afraid of any opportunity no matter how small or great it seems, we can meet it and exceed if we know the "Complete One" May God bless each one as we give our talents to bless our church in 2014!

Pastor Jose G. Galvez

### **Upcoming Events**

- January 4 will be the last opportunity to have your pictures taken here at the church.
  Dwight Winslow has set up a back-drop in the Fellowship Hall
- and will take pictures during the Picnic In the Basement.
- January 11 at 5 PM will be our Church Business Meeting.

Please plan to attend and be involved in the decisions made for 2014.

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