

Changing Our Old Ways and Trying Out Some New Ways

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“Change my heart, O God, make it ever true. Change my heart, O God, may I be like you. You are the Potter, I am the clay. Mold me and make me, this is what I pray. Change my heart, O God, make it ever true.” **Eddie Espinosa, 1982**

Dear Church Friends,

The New Year is here! January marks the time when we set our New Year’s goals for our personal lives and for our church. In our family, I ask each person “What are your New Year’s goals for this year?” and we talk and share about them, and sometimes write them down.

It’s clear that New Year’s goals always involve changing our old ways and trying out some new ways. In our church life, we also set goals at Church Council. We discuss and review our mission and ministry programs, make suggestions, and keep track of our church finances and budget (that supports staff, buildings, and programs).

Sometimes changes are needed, and we try and make changes with God’s leading and God’s grace. My prayer for the New Year is that we will be open to God’s Spirit leading us in new ways, both in our personal lives and in our church life.

I hope that every day we will all grow in God’s love and grace and faithfulness.

Grace and Peace,
Pastor Jennifer