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SERVICES

Sunday Bible Study 9:45am
Morning Worship 10:45 am
Evening Worship 6:00 pm
Wed. Bible Study 7:00 pm

WEB PAGES:

www.flatwoodschurch-ofchrist.org and
www.flatwoods bible-institute.org

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MISSIONS

-Virgil McIntosh
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-Alton Norman
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-David Howard
Boulder, Co.
-Dustin Bolks
Sioux Center, Ia.
-Dahn Ramkelawan
Suriname, So. America
-Michael Mayo
Thailand, SE Asia

SEARCH TV

Sundays 7:30 am (on Fox)

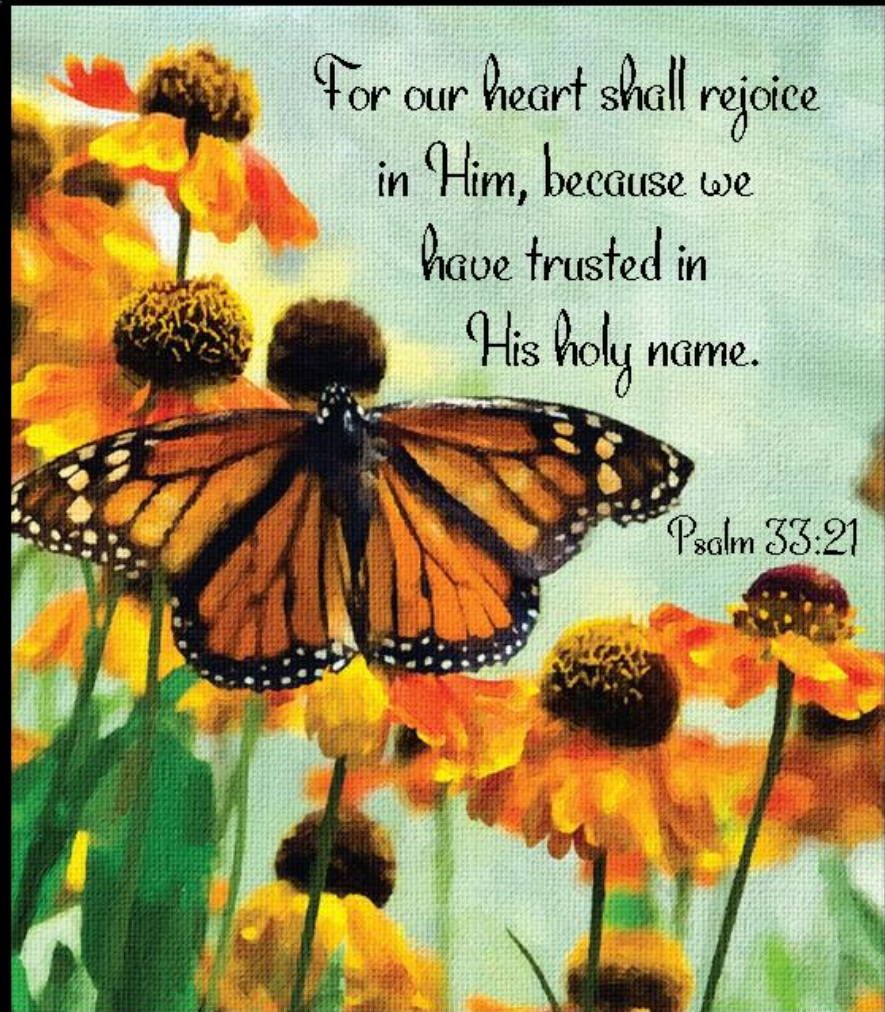
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We offer FREE: 4 Bible correspondence course series by mail:
an 8 lesson series by Hurt, a 6 lesson series "Acts Of The Apostles"
by Pharr, the "Studies In The Bible" 30 lesson series, and the
20 lesson series "Getting To Know Jesus" by Pharr. Let everyone know!

ACCURACY OF THE BIBLE

When William Tyndale was discussing a theological point with a cleric who argued that men would be better off without God's law than without the Pope's law, Tyndale retorted that "if God spared his life, before long he would make the boy who drives the plow know more Bible than the cleric did", *Jack P. Lewis, The English Bible – From KJV to NIV, pg. 9*. The entire history of the English Bible can be seen as a movement in the direction of Tyndale's goal, to make the Bible available and plain to the common man.

Christianity firmly believes the Bible is the inspired Word of God. This the Bible affirms for itself in 2 Timothy 3:16-17, "All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works." It also says the very words are the words of God. 1 Corinthians 2:12-13 says, "Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God. Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual." Therefore we believe in the plenary, verbal inspiration of the word of God, that is, that God's inspiration extends to every part, every subject, and every word of Scripture. We believe that God's Word is our guide to living as God would have man to live and how He expects man to worship and serve Him.

The Bible, containing 66 books, was written by 40 different inspired men over about 1,600 years. The Old Testament was written in Hebrew and small portions in Aramaic and the New Testament was written in Greek. We do not have the original writings of these inspired men. What we have now are copies of copies of copies called manuscripts. Someone may wonder about the accuracy of the copies we have. At one time, the oldest full copies of the Old Testament were from 1008 AD. However, with the discovery of the Dead Sea Scrolls in 1947, the Biblical manuscripts which were thought to have been written between 100BC-100AD, when compared with existing manuscripts, showed no major errors. In this the Dead Sea Scrolls demonstrate that the Old Testament was accurately transmitted during this time period.

What about evidence for the accuracy of the New Testament? Keith A. Mosher, Sr. writes, "New Testament credibility is firmly established by the voluminous amount of the manuscripts available. However, the evidence from the first 2½ centuries after Christ, because of the persecution of the church, is mostly fragmentary. Yet, even the fragments, when pieced together, give the unique impression of a unified text as early as the 2nd century of the Christian era." *The Book God "Breathed", pg. 355*. With these fragments, as well as full texts, the New Testament manuscripts number nearly 6,000. There are also quotations of the so called "church fathers" which number some 36,000 quotations. Also there are the Bible versions from the 2nd century such as the Syriac, Latin, Coptic, etc. which number nearly 10,000.

Indeed, with all this evidence we can be sure of the accuracy of our Bible.

"Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away"- Matthew 24:35.

- Jerry D. Sturgill

News & Notes



Sermons Today

AM- Mark Parks: "Freedom in Christ"
 PM- Will Scott: "A Higher Power"
 & J.C. Hughes: "Almost Normal"

Dates to Remember

Jul 7- Prime-timers- 10am- annex
Jul 11- Picnic Saturday-6pm-van shelter
Jul 13-17- VBS @ Ironton- 6:30-8:30p
Jul 14- Prime-timers- 10am- annex
Jul 14- Ladies Evening Devotional- 6:30pm
 hosted by Tabitha Wallace in her home
Jul 16- King's Island- leave at 7am- see Mark
 Day if you are going
Jul 19- Elders, Preachers, Deacons Meet-4:30
Jul 27-31- Vacation Bible School- 6:30- 8:30p
Jul 31- Ladies Luncheon- 12:30- Texas Roadhouse
Aug 9- Ice cream & dessert night-7pm-annex
Aug 16- Elders, Preachers, Deacons Meet-4:30
Aug 21-27- Polishing the Pulpit- Sevierville
 Convention Center, Sevierville, TN
Sep 1- Prime-timers- 10am- annex
Sep 8- Prime-timers- 10am- annex
Sep 10- Little School Orientation- 7pm
Sep 12- Men's Leadership training- Stephen
 Rogers 5 sessions lunch provided
Sep 13- Potluck luncheon-12pm- annex
Sep 13-16- Gospel Meeting-Stephen Rogers
Sep 17- FBI fall class begins-annex- 7pm
Sep 20- Elders, Preachers, Deacons Meet-4:30
Sep 22- Prime-timers- 10am- annex
Sep 29- Prime-timers- 10am- annex
Oct 6, 13, 20, 27- Prime-timers- 10am- annex

Gauging Our Faith

	06/28/15	Goal	06/29/14
Bible Study	106	110	105
AM Worship	153	150	154
PM Worship	92	110	103
Mid Week	98	110	108

Phone Number Correction

Last week, Lauren Conley's cell number was incorrect. The last four numbers are 2238, not 7738. Please, note this in your directory.

Church Picnic

On Saturday, July 11, at 6pm, we will have our annual church picnic under the van shelter. Bring your own burgers or dogs, buns, drinks plus a side dish and/or dessert to share potluck style. If it rains, the event will move into the annex.

Ladies' Evening Devotional

Tabitha Wallace will host this gathering in her home (10013 Windsong Ct. in Catlettsburg) on July 14th at 6:30pm. August is still open and in need of a host. See the foyer board to sign up.

King's Island Trip

If you want to go with this group on Thursday, July 16th, see Mark Day for details. The group will leave at 7am.

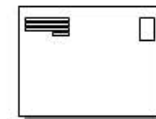
Prime-timers

Prime-timers group meets each Tuesday morning at 10am in the annex large classroom through July 14th. The group will break and resume September 1st. This group is a discussion/study group and is open to everyone.

Elders/Deacons/Preachers Meeting

The group will meet July 19th at 4:30pm in the annex large classroom.

**Have you contacted
 a shut-in lately?
 Why not today?**



☞ Today's Servants ☜

WELCOME:

AM/PM: Greg Hall

SONG LEADER:

AM: Steve Wallace

PM: Steve Wallace

FIRST PRAYER:

AM: Denny Deskins

PM: Greg Conley

LORD'S TABLE:

Presiding AM: Jerry Sturgill

Assisting: Roy Murphy,
David Smith, Bob Tushay,
Ernie Perry, Phil Degelia,
Adam Gullett, Will Scott

Presiding PM: Bobby Edmonds

Assisting: Chris Scott

CLOSING PRAYER:

AM: Jordan Conley

PM: Will Scott

☞ Wednesday Servants ☜

WELCOME: Mark Parks

SONG LEADER: Brad Morris

PRAYER: Roy Murphy

DEVOTIONAL: Nathan Parks

☞ Weekly Servants ☜

POWER POINT: David Castle

RECORDING ASSIST: Dan Maynard

BLDG. ATTENDANT: Mark Parks

ATTENDANCE: David Castle

COORDINATOR: Jerry Sturgill

Welcome, Visitor!

We are so pleased to have you as our guest today.

If you are a first-time visitor with us, please, fill out a 'visitor card' that you will find on the back of the pew. You may put it in the collection plate or give it to one of the men at the auditorium doors as you exit.

We have tract racks on the wall in the foyer with **free tracts and literature**. We also have **Bible correspondence courses** you can sign up to receive by mail **at no cost to you**. Let our preacher know if you would like to set up an **in-home Bible study**.

Thank you for attending.

★★★ Youth Notes ★★★

★ Every Sunday ★

Pew Packers

at 5:45pm-

in the front of the auditorium

-geared to age 12 & under, but everyone is invited to attend.

Boys: have a song ready to lead for the group.

★ July 16 ★

King's Island Trip

Group leaves at 7am-

see Mark Day if you plan to go

