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

#### WEB PAGES:

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-Dustin Bolks
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-Dahn Ramkelawan Suriname, So. America

-Michael Mayo **Thailand, SE Asia** 

#### SEARCH TV

Sundays 7:30 am (on Fox)

## FLATWOODS CHURCH OF CHRIST

# HERALD

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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!

### "Carol Of The Bells"

Every year we see and hear them during the holiday season. You hear their bells ringing, you see them standing in front of stores with a collection pot hung from a tripod for people to drop in their money. They call themselves the Salvation Army.

As I was sitting in a Bible Study recently, reference was made to the Salvation Army. At which point I made the comment that they were, in fact a denomination. Many folks associate the Salvation Army with the charitable works they engage in yet just as many people do not realize that they are also a religious organization.

So, due to the time of year we are seeing the collection pots and hearing the ringing of the bells, consider a few points regarding the Salvation Army from their own website (<a href="http://www.salvationarmy.com">http://www.salvationarmy.com</a>) as we revisit this topic.

- 1) "The movement (The Salvation Army JDS), founded in 1865 by William Booth, has spread from London, England, to many parts of the world."

  The Bible teaches that the Lord Jesus Christ built His church on Pentecost in 33 AD in Jerusalem. Jesus said "And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." Matthew 16:18

  On the day of Pentecost the Bible says in Acts 2:47, "... And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved."
- 2) "We believe that our first parents were created in a state of innocency, but by their disobedience they lost their purity and happiness, and that in consequence of their fall all men have become sinners, totally depraved, and as such are justly exposed to the wrath of God."
  - This is from the Calvinistic doctrine of Total Hereditary Depravity. The Bible teaches that sin is something we do, not something we inherit. 1 In. 3:4, "Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law." Man is responsible for his own sin, not the sin of others. Ezekiel 18:20, "The soul that sinneth, it shall die. The son shall not bear the iniquity of the father, neither shall the father bear the iniquity of the son: the righteousness of the righteous shall be upon him, and the wickedness of the wicked shall be upon him."
- 3) "We believe that repentance toward God, faith in our Lord Jesus Christ and regeneration by the Holy Spirit are necessary to salvation." "We maintain that no external observance can rightly be said to be essential to salvation or to the receiving of divine grace and that the biblical truth is that we can meet with God and receive his grace anywhere at any time through faith."

The Bible teaches the absolute necessity of baptism for salvation. Mark. 16:16, "He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.

1 Pet. 3:21, "The like figure whereunto even baptism doth also now save us (not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ"

Space prevents us from further examination; however it is clear that to support the Salvation Army is to support a denomination and the Biblical error they teach. "And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them." – Ephesians 5:11.

- Jerry Sturgill

## News & Notes



#### <u>Sermons Today</u>

AM- "A Word About Building A House"
PM- "Let Your Light Shine"
Scripture Reading: Matthew 5:14-16

#### Dates to Remember

<u>Dec 6</u>- Youth Devo- annex- 12 noon - hosted by the Wallaces

Dec 8- Prime-timers- 10a - annex

Dec 12 - Ladies Holiday Party at Kathy Hall's-6p

Dec 13 - Lads To Leaders - 12pm - annex

Dec 15- Prime-timers- 10a - annex

Dec 18 – Ladies Luncheon – 12:30p – Kentucky Hall of Fame Café – Town Center Mall

<u>Dec 19</u>- Youth Holiday Party at Jeremiah & Katie Smith's- 5:30p

Dec 29- Prime-timers- 10a - annex

Dec 31- New Year's Watch- 9p -midnight

#### **Lads To Leaders Planning Meeting**

There will be a Lads to Leaders meeting Sunday, December 13th after AM services in the large annex classroom. Please attend if you would like to participate or if you would like to learn more about the program.





#### Youth Devotional Today

The Wallaces will host this event in the annex following morning worship service.

#### **Ladies Holiday Party Dec 12th**

The party will begin at Kathy Hall's home at 6:00pm. You may want to participate in the gift passing (limit \$10). Everyone should meet at the building at 5:30pm to arrange for possible carpooling if no van driver is found. If you will volunteer to drive the van, please, let Jane Isaacs know. Thank you.

#### **December Ladies Luncheon**

The luncheon will be Friday, Dec. 18th, at 12:30pm at the Kentucky Hall of Fame Café in the Town Center Mall where the Mexican restaurant used to be. All women are invited to attend.

#### **Donations For Food Baskets**

It's the time of year to collect canned foods for our holiday food basket requests. There are suggestion lists on the foyer table. Please, let J.C. Hughes know if you can help deliver a basket. Thank you for your help!



<b>Gauging Our Faith</b>			
	11/29/15	Goal	11/30/14
Bible Study	98	110	89
AM Worship	156	150	149
PM Worship	98	110	90
Mid Week	76	110	84
Contribution:	\$4941.04	\$5500.00	\$5406.50
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## > Today's Servants €

## WELCOME:

AM/PM: J.C. Hughes

#### SONG LEADER:

AM: Brad Morris PM: Jeremiah Smith

#### FIRST PRAYER:

AM: Nathan Adkins PM: David Smith

#### LORD'S TABLE:

<u>Assisting:</u> Mark Parks, Nathan Parks, Roy Murphy,

Phil Degelia, Ernie Perry, Don Music, David Castle

**Presiding PM:** Jordan Conley

**Assisting:** Will Scott

#### **CLOSING PRAYER:**

AM: Steve Wallace

PM: Dan Stone

## > Wednesday Servants 🗷

WELCOME: J.C. Hughes

**SONG LEADER**: Brad Morris

PRAYER: Mark Day

**DEVOTIONAL**: Chris Scott

## **™ Weekly Servants**

<u>POWER POINT</u>: Matt Vonderheide BLDG. ATTENDANT: Matt Vonderheide

<u>ATTENDANCE</u>: Mitch Stafford COORDINATOR: Matt Vonderheide

## 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. Come back soon!

## \*\*\* 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.

★★Noon Today★★

## Youth Devotional

in the annex following morning worship. Hosted by the Wallaces.

★★Dec. 13th★★

## Lads To Leaders Meeting

12 noon-annex large classroom

## \*\*Dec. 19th\*\* Youth Holiday Party

at Jeremiah & Katie Smith's house- 5:30pm

