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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 PAGE**

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**MISSIONS**

-Dustin Bolks  
**Sioux Center, Ia.**  
-Dahn Ramkelawan  
**Suriname, So. America**  
-Michael Mayo  
**Thailand, SE Asia**  
-*"In Search of the Lord's  
Way"* TV broadcast  
-Stephane Maillet  
**SEIBS student**  
-Brandon Foresha  
**WVSOP student**

**SEARCH TV**

Sundays 7:30 am (on Fox)

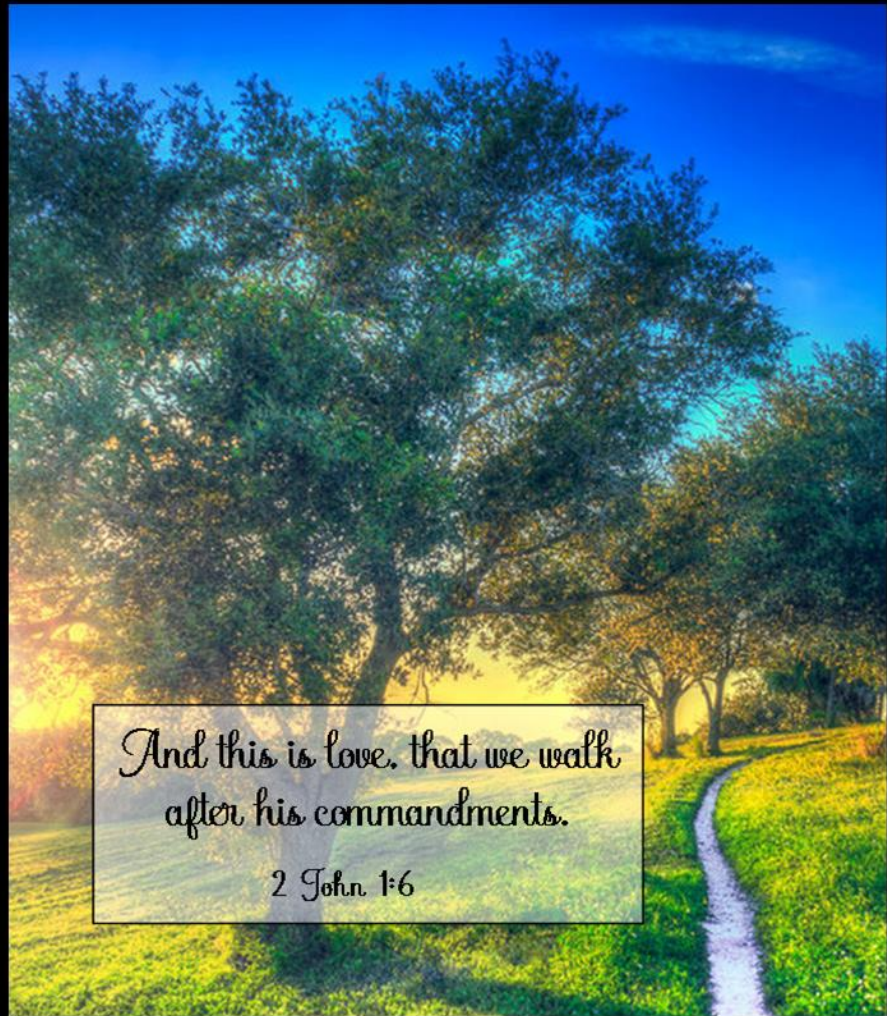
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*And this is love, that we walk  
after his commandments.*

2 John 1:6

**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!

## A New Year Lies Before Us...

As we begin 2019, welcome to the first Sunday of the year. The rest of the year lies before us with many spiritual opportunities. As we consider the year and we being the people of God, I offer the following for your consideration. *(these are for personal reflection and not intended to be submitted to anyone)*

How many Sundays will I attend the worship services of the church in 2019? Your answer: \_\_\_\_\_

There will be 52 Sundays in 2019. Since the congregation at Flatwoods meets twice on the Lord's Day, that means there will be 104 opportunities in 2019 to worship God "in spirit and in truth", John 4:24. As you are here today there remains 103 services left in the year. Keep up the good attendance.

How many Bible Studies will I be present at to increase my knowledge of the Word of God in 2019? Your answer: \_\_\_\_\_

There will be 52 Wednesday Bible Study nights (7pm) in 2019. Add to this the fact that Bible Study is conducted each Lord's Day morning at 9:45am (52 Sundays) so again, there will 104 opportunities to be edified by God's Word, also through Devotionals and Singing, with God's people in 2019. Again, 103 opportunities remain. If you were not here this morning, there are plenty of opportunities to correct that in the coming year.

How many hours will I spend in personal study of God's Word, and prayer in 2019? Your answer: \_\_\_\_\_

For a calendar year, 365 days; 24 hours per day, there are 8,760 hours. Of that, about 2,920 hours will be spent in sleep (assuming 8 hours sleep per night). Now, let's assume 2,080 hours per year, 8 hours per day/5 days per week, for one's vocation (even retired people often wonder when they found time for a career since they still stay busy). That leaves 3,760 hours per year or about 72 hours per week left for "other pursuits". How much of that will we spend in personal Bible study and prayer each day?

How many Biblical sound publications will I read in 2019? Your answer: \_\_\_\_\_

The Flatwoods church has a library filled with study material (books, videos, audio cd's, etc.) that can be used for personal study, research, or just fun reading, on a given topic. There are also monthly and quarterly magazines available for your reading. Do we take advantage of these wonderful resources? Do we subscribe to sound Biblical journals and magazines to be delivered to our homes to read? Did you know the congregation pays for the publication "Gospel Minutes" to be delivered to your home? If you wish to receive this, let the church secretary know and you will be added to the mailing list.

**(Jerry Sturgill's article is continued on the next page, page 3, column 2.)**

# News & Notes



## Sermons This Week

**10:45 AM:** *"What Is Christianity?"*  
**6:00 PM:** *"Abiding in the Doctrine"*  
**Scripture Reading:** 2 John 4-11

## Condolences

Our deepest sympathy is expressed to the family of brother Ray Adkins, who passed away Tuesday, Jan. 1st. His funeral was conducted by Mark Day on Saturday, Jan. 5th.

## Poling Baby Shower

Today, we will have a baby shower honoring Holly and Ben Poling. The event will be from 3pm to 5pm in the annex. Everyone is invited.

## Dates to Remember

- Jan 6**– Poling Baby Shower– 3-5p-annex
- Jan 8**– Prime-timers– 10a– annex
- Jan 15**– Prime-timers– 10a– annex
- Jan 20**– Elders, Deacons, Preachers Meet-4:30p
- Jan 22**– Prime-timers– 10a– annex
- Jan 25**– Ladies Luncheon– 12:30p– Texas Roadhouse
- Jan 29**– Prime-timers– 10a– annex

## 2019 Dates for Planning

- Feb 4-9**– FHU Lectureship
- Apr 14-17**– Our Gospel Meeting with Phil Sanders
- Apr 18-21**– Lads to Leaders, Louisville
- Jul 22-26**– Vacation Bible School
- Aug 16-22**– Polishing the Pulpit, Sevierville

## Gauging Our Faith

	12/30/18	Goal	12/31/17
<b>Bible Study</b>	86	110	91
<b>AM Worship</b>	122	160	133
<b>PM Worship</b>	82	110	76
<b>Mid Week</b>	80	110	76
<b>Contribution:</b>	\$5039.25	\$5900.00	\$5976.00

## A New Year Lies Before Us...

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How many Gospel Meetings, Seminars, Lectureships, Vacation Bible Schools, etc. will I attend in 2019? Your answer: \_\_\_\_\_

Congregations of the Lord's church will be having Revivals (I still like that term) this Spring which are within a short drive. Will you and I attend? Will you attend our Spring Gospel Meeting, April 14-18, 2019 and "Is The Bible Reliable" Seminar, September 13-15, 2019? While Lectureships are a bit more of a drive, these are outstanding occasions of Bible study, encouragement, and exhortation. Vacation Bible Schools (VBS) are opportunities for the study of the Gospel for all ages. In fact, does your answer above include the Flatwoods VBS, July 22-26, 2019?

How many souls will I seek to bring to Christ in 2019? Your answer: \_\_\_\_\_

Jesus said in Matthew 28:19-20a, "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you..." Who will we teach the message of the Gospel? The message of Christ coming and dying for mankind, the soul damning effect of sin, and the remedy through obedience to God in belief, repentance, confession, and baptism. As of January 2019, there are 7.7 billion people on planet earth and vast multitudes of these are going into eternity unprepared to meet God.

As we consider the above questions, answer this, How will I serve the Lord in the kingdom in 2019? Your answer \_\_\_\_\_.

-Jerry D. Sturgill

## ☞ Today's Servants ☞

### **WELCOME:**

**AM/PM:** Greg Conley

### **SONG LEADER:**

**AM:** Brad Morris

**PM:** Steve Wallace

### **FIRST PRAYER:**

**AM:** David Trimble

**PM:** J.C. Hughes

### **LORD'S TABLE:**

**Presiding AM:** Jordan Conley

**Assisting:** Nathan Adkins,  
Daniel Goshorn, George Wallace,  
Ernie Perry, Mitch Stafford,  
John Gambill, Jack Little

**Presiding PM:** Mark Parks

**Assisting:** Greg Hall

### **CLOSING PRAYER:**

**AM:** David Smith

**PM:** Jordan Conley

## ☞ Wednesday Servants ☞

**WELCOME:** Mark Parks

**SONG LEADER:** Will Scott

**PRAYER:** Daniel Goshorn

**DEVOTIONAL:** Brad Morris

## ☞ Weekly Servants ☞

**POWER POINT:** Nathan Parks

**BLDG. ATTENDANT:** Greg Conley

**ATTENDANCE:** David Castle

**COORDINATOR:** Nathan Adkins

## ★★★ Youth Notes ★★★

★★★ Every Sunday ★★★

# Pew Packers

at 5:45pm

in front auditorium

geared to age 12

& younger, but

everyone can come.

–Boys: have a song  
ready to lead–



## 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  
find on the back of the pew. Please, put it  
in the collection plate or hand it to one of  
the men at the doors as you exit.

We have tract racks on the wall in the  
foyer with **free tracts and literature**. We  
offer **free Bible correspondence courses** you  
can 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.