

## Beech Grove News

Please remember J. C. Rogers in prayer. He is related to several here and has pancreatic cancer. Wayne Gannon went to the hospital overnight Wednesday. The doctor suspects acid reflux. Sister Rose has been able to have short visits home, and was hoping to be able to attend services. Sister Singleton has been moved to room 308, Manchester Health Care Center, 395 Interstate Dr., 37355 (phone 454-1858). Brother and Sister Mason are still fighting sickness. Audrey Carter had several tests this week. Nick Graham was out with a back injury last Sunday. Marie Crowell has been sick this week.

Sunday	Jan 15	Jan 22	Jan 29
Song leader (SS)	Ken Thomas	Wayne Gannon	Tim Waldron
Announcements	Ken Thomas	Ken Thomas	Ken Thomas
Song leader (Wor)	Wayne Gannon	Tim Waldron	Wayne Gannon
Scripture reading	T. J. Waldron	Nick Graham	Andy Miller
Opening prayer	Tim Waldron	Joe Green	Junior Conner
Table service (center)	Joe Green	Joe Green	Joe Green
(center)	Nick Graham	Nick Graham	Nick Graham
(outside)	Daniel Green	Daniel Green	Daniel Green
(outside)	Brian Dennis	Brian Dennis	Brian Dennis
Closing Prayer	James Mason	Tim Waldron	Joe Green

### Opportunities to serve:

#### Record of our attendance:

Date	Classes	AM	PM	Cont.	Wed.
12/11	13	31	18	\$604	14
12/18	NC	NC	NC	\$450	25
12/25	18	44*	23	\$819	27
01/01	21	33	35*	\$431	20
01/08	18	31	33*	\$600	23
<b>Goals</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>30</b>		<b>35</b>

Two Sunday nights in a row we broke the goal. I guess we'll have to raise the bar a little! Let's set a new goal of 45 for AM and 36 for PM. We still need to get here in time for Sunday AM Bible classes, but I see progress, don't you?

The fellowship together after services last Sunday was great. Thanks to all who came and ate together.

"Favorite Bible" (From front) so long ago, and something that cost so little, and took only but a moment of their time, would be so treasured by the little boy to whom they presented it.

My point? There is life-time lasting power and influence in encouragement! What takes us only a moment to say or do, can impact another person for the rest of his life. Be an encourager! Take the time and the little extra effort to compliment, commend, and encourage another. Chances are, long after you've forgotten your words of kindness, they will be locked-up, and cherished as a prize possession in the store room of someone's mind.

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# Beech Grove Church of Christ

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### Schedule of Services

Sunday:

Bible Classes 10 AM

Worship 11 AM  
6 PM

Wednesday:

Bible Classes 7 PM

### Mission Works

Restoration Radio

Jim Waldron

Manuelito Children's

Home

Mail: P.O. Box 85

Beech Grove, TN 37018

Visitors

Always

Welcome

**January 15, 2006**

**My Favorite Bible**

By Steve Higginbotham

Through the years, I have owned quite a few Bibles. I have a two shelves in my office containing nothing but Bibles. They differ in size, translation, and binding. But of all the Bibles I own, one is particularly treasured by me. It is a little black Red Letter New Testament (3"x4.5") that I have had for the past 39 years. You've seen some like it before. It's the kind of Bible given to little children, and it is small enough for them to hold it in their little hands. The print in this Bible is just about too small to read. There are no study notes in it. And it only contains the New Testament. So what makes this Bible so special to me? Allow me to read the inscription on the first page:

This New Testament is being presented to Steve Higginbotham for being the first in his Bible Study class to be able to say from memory all the 66 books of the Bible. Keep up the Good Work. God Bless you always.

Your Bible Class Teachers,

Mrs. Hester Shultz & Miss Sandy Wilson

Isn't it amazing the impact that a few words of encouragement can have on a person's life? I was just four-years-old when this Bible was presented to me, but thirty-nine years later, I still treasure, and have this little Bible in my possession. My guess is that Hester (who is now deceased) and Sandy have no memory of the presentation of this Bible, or the message they inscribed in it. I'm sure they have no idea that something done



# Bible Search

by Kenneth L. Thomas

## Questions for week of January 15 "Window(s)"

Some people say they use "Windows" on their computers. The Bible is full of windows and we will find some of them.

1. Who shot an arrow through a window?
2. Who escaped through a window?
3. Who was thrown to death from a window?
4. Who fell from a window to death but later lived?
5. What birds sang in windows?
6. Who climbs through windows?
7. Who observed romance from a window?

### Answers for week of Jan. 8 Women of the Bible

#### 1. Who was the wife of Zacharias, a priest?

**Answer: Elizabeth.** Zacharias was a priest under the Mosaic law, so from this passage we can deduce that both Zacharias and Elizabeth were from the tribe of Levi, because Aaron was a Levite. All priests were by law to be from this lineage.

**Luke 1:5** There was in the days of Herod, the king of Judaea, a certain **priest named Zacharias**, of the course of Abia: and **his wife** was of the daughters of Aaron, and her name **was Elisabeth**. 6 And they were both righteous before God, walking in all the commandments and ordinances of the Lord blameless. 7 And they had no child, because that Elisabeth was barren, and they both were now well stricken in years.

#### 2. Who had a fever that was cured by Jesus?

**Two possible answers: (1) Peter's wife's mother (mother-in-law of Peter). (3 parallel accounts). (2) a nobleman's son who was at Capernaum, (John 4) Matthew 8:14** And when Jesus was come into Peter's house, he saw his wife's mother laid, and sick of a fever. 15 And he touched her hand, and the fever left her: and she arose, and ministered unto them. 16 When the even was come, they brought unto him many that were possessed with devils: and he cast out the spirits with his word, and healed all that were sick: 17 That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses.

See also **Mark 1:30** and **Luke 4:38**

Nobleman's son: **John 4:46** So Jesus came again into Cana of Galilee, where he made the water wine. And there was a certain **nobleman, whose son was sick** at Capernaum. 47 When he heard that Jesus was come out of Judaea into Galilee, he went unto him, and besought him that he would come down, and heal his son: for he was at the point of death. 48 Then said Jesus unto him, Except ye see signs and wonders, ye will not believe. 49 The nobleman saith unto him, Sir, come down ere my child die. 50 Jesus saith unto him, Go thy way; thy son liveth. And the man believed the word that Jesus had spoken unto him, and he went his way. 51 And as he was now going down, his servants met him, and told him, saying, Thy son liveth. 52 Then inquired he of them the hour when he began to amend. And they said unto him, Yesterday at the seventh hour **the fever left him**. 53 So the father knew that it was at the same hour, in the which Jesus said unto him, Thy son liveth: and himself believed, and his whole house. 54 This is again the second miracle that Jesus did, when he was come out of Judaea into Galilee.

**Marvin Murphy made this comment about Peter's wife's mother:** "He just laid his hands on her. That's all, and she was healed....Didn't mumble, ask her any questions or have to push her over and someone else to catch her before she hit the floor. " About the nobleman's son he said, " This was long-distance healing. No laying on of hands here! No calling on the Holy Spirit, shouting HEAL. No long-time recovery. Immediate. Not only that....Jesus made the nobleman's "whole house" believers. How about that?"

#### 3. What wife of David was noted for her beauty?

**Answers: Abigail -- I Sam 25:3** Now the name of the man was Nabal; and the name of his wife Abigail: and she was a woman of good understanding, and of a **beautiful countenance**: but the man was churlish and evil in his doings; and he was of the house of Caleb. . . . 42 And Abigail hasted, and arose and rode upon an ass, with five damsels of hers that went after her; and she went after the messengers of David, and **became his wife**.

**Bathsheba** -- 2 Sam 11: 2 And it came to pass in an eveningtide, that David arose from off his bed, and walked upon the roof of the king's house: and from the roof he saw a woman washing herself; and the **woman was very beautiful** to look upon. 3 And David sent and enquired after the woman. And one said, Is not this **Bathsheba**, the daughter of Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite? . . . 26 And when the wife of Uriah heard that Uriah her husband was dead, she mourned for her husband. 27 And when the mourning was past, David sent

and fetched her to his house, and **she became his wife**, and bare him a son. But the thing that David had done displeased the LORD.

#### 4. What wife of David despised him because of a dance?

**Answer: Michal** I Sam 19:11 - Saul also sent messengers unto David's house, to watch him, and to slay him in the morning: and **Michal David's wife** told him, saying, If thou save not thy life to night, to morrow thou shalt be slain.

2 Samuel 6: 14 And David danced before the LORD with all his might; and David was girded with a linen ephod. 15 So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of the LORD with shouting, and with the sound of the trumpet. 16 And as the ark of the LORD came into the city of David, **Michal Saul's daughter** looked through a window, and saw king **David leaping and dancing** before the LORD; and she **despised him** in her heart. 17 . . . 20 Then David returned to bless his household. And Michal the daughter of Saul came out to meet David, and said, **How glorious was the king of Israel to day, who uncovered himself to day in the eyes of the handmaids of his servants, as one of the vain fellows shamelessly uncovereth himself!** 21 And David said unto Michal, It was before the LORD, which chose me before thy father, and before all his house, to appoint me ruler over the people of the LORD, over Israel: therefore will I play before the LORD. 22 And I will yet be more vile than thus, and will be base in mine own sight: and of the maidservants which thou hast spoken of, of them shall I be had in honour. 23 Therefore Michal the daughter of Saul had no child unto the day of her death. Parallel account: 1 Chronicles 15:29 And it came to pass, [as] the ark of the covenant of the LORD came to the city of David, that **Michal the daughter of Saul looking out at a window saw king David dancing and playing: and she despised him in her heart.**

#### 5. What woman ran to tell of meeting Christ at a well?

**Answer: An unnamed Samaritan. John 4:6-42** Jesus, weary of his long journey from Judea to Galilee, stops at Jacob's well where he meets a woman of Samaria who has come there "to draw water." John 4:6,7. What follows is an interesting conversation,

and one of the most memorable verses in chapter 4: "God is a spirit and those who worship Him must worship him in spirit and truth.." (verse 24). Surprisingly, she says "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When he comes He will tell us all things,." Then comes the remarkable revelation:

Jesus says to her, "I who speak to you am He." (25-26). The woman, leaving her waterpot behind, goes into the City of Samaria where she tells a group men, "Come, see a man who told me all things I ever did. Could this be the Christ?" So the men go to see for themselves (27-30)

This answers our question but is not the end of the story Not only she but many more "believed because of His own word." (verses 41-42). Burton Coffman adds, in his comments on this incident: "Such had been the success of the woman's efforts that Christ was immediately invited by the whole city to dwell there, and the Master graciously accepted their invitation. The heart cries out that this is the way it should have been everywhere that Jesus went; but, alas, this Samaritan village stands uniquely apart in the warm welcome they extended to the Saviour of the world."

Isn't it amazing that through this woman's example, Jesus was able to teach an entire city? How we need more women like her today.

Was she running? Well, maybe not, but she must have been in a hurry, having left her waterpot behind.

#### 6. What woman helped a preacher get his message in harmony with the truth of God?

**Answer: Priscilla.** 24 And a certain Jew named Apollos, born at Alexandria, an eloquent man, and mighty in the scriptures, came to Ephesus. 25 This man was instructed in the way of the Lord; and being fervent in the spirit, he spake and taught diligently the things of the Lord, knowing only the baptism of John. 26 And he began to speak boldly in the synagogue: whom **when Aquila and Priscilla had heard, they took him unto them, and expounded unto him the way of God more perfectly.**

#### 7. What wicked woman was from a valley of Sorek?

**Answer: Delilah** Judges 16.3. Now Samson lay until midnight, and at midnight he arose and took hold of the doors of the city gate and the two posts and pulled them up along with the bars; then he put them on his shoulders and carried them up to the top of the mountain which is opposite Hebron. 4. After this it came about that he loved a **woman in the valley of Sorek, whose name was Delilah.**