| | Attendance and Contribution | | | | | | | |
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| Mo | Wk | BS | MW | EW | Wed | Cont | | |
| Jan | 24 | 21 | 28 | 20 | 14 | \$761 | | |
| Jan | 17 | 21 | 26 | 23 | 9 | \$650 | | |
| Jan | 10 | 21 | 33 | 16 | 11 | \$580 | | |
| Jan | 3 | 13 | 20 | 21 | 13 | \$543 | | |

Programs to Watch and Share with Others

IN SEARCH OF THE LORD'S WAY Sundays @ 7:00 am on WUXP-TV 30 Sundays @10:00 am on WHTN-TV 39 Mack Lyon, speaker www.searchtv.org

PREACHING THE GOSPEL Sundays @ 7:30 am WUXP-TV30 James Watkins, speaker

| Assignments | February | | |
|------------------------|---------------|--|--|
| Song leader (SS) | Wayne Gannon | | |
| Announcements | Junior Conner | | |
| Songleader-Worship | Tim Waldron | | |
| Scripture reading | T J Waldron | | |
| Opening prayer | James Mason | | |
| Table service (center) | Wayne Gannon | | |
| (center) | Junior Conner | | |
| (outside) | T J Waldron | | |
| (outside) | Cole Gordon | | |
| Closing Prayer | Lee Rose | | |



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Do you remember hearing, "No two snowflakes are alike". This discovery was made in Vermont by Wilson A. Bentley (1865-1931).

A self educated farmer, Bentley did much work with snowflakes. He adapted a microscope and a bellows camera, and through many years

of trying, in 1885 he became the first person to photograph a single snow crystal.



In 1925, Bentley said, "Under the microscope, I found that snowflakes were miracles of beauty; and it seemed a shame that this beauty should not be seen and appreciated by others. Every crystal was a masterpiece of design and no one design was ever repeated., When a snowflake melted, that design was forever lost. Just that much beauty was gone, without leaving any record behind." http://snowflakebentley.com/

| Sunday Sched | ule | Mission Works and Evangelism | | |
|--------------------------|-------|--------------------------------|--|--|
| Bible Classes | 10 AM | House to House/ Heart to Heart | | |
| Worship | 11 AM | Restoration Radio | | |
| Worship | 6 PM | Jim Waldron | | |
| Wednesday: Bible Classes | 7 PM | Manuelito Children's Home | | |

Job 38:22 - Hast thou entered into the treasures of the snow? or hast thou seen the treasures of the hail, 23 Which I have reserved against the time of trouble, against the day of battle and war?

Psa 147:16 - He giveth snow like wool: he scattereth the hoarfrost like ashes. 17 He casteth forth his ice like morsels: who can stand before his cold?

Psa 148:7 - Praise the LORD from the earth, ye dragons, and all deeps: 8 Fire, and hail; snow, and vapours; stormy wind fulfilling his word:

Prov 26:1 - As snow in summer, and as rain in harvest, so honour is not seemly for a fool.

Isa. 1:18 Come now, and let us reason together, saith the LORD: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool.

Isa 55:10 - For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater: 11 So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.

Beech Grove News / Prayer Requests

Leroy Muncy was still recuperating this week. Tim Waldron still has unresolved problems with his eyes.

Remember Dr. Walker's wife, Elizabeth, at Boulevard Terrace. Laura Singleton went to Manchester Hospital this week. Remember all our older members who have chronic pain. Continue to remember Ernest Cartright, Jr., 710 Pine Knoll Park, Lot 25, Arkport, N.Y. 14807 with cards and letters. Kristen Toops is back with her family on Jakes Branch Rd.

Thanks to those who contributed extra money to help Haiti earthquake victims.

Prayer list . . . <u>Reminders</u>

- ★ Military personnel: Andy Miller family in Japan; Adam Thomas in Afghanistan.
- \star Earthquake victims and those supplying aid to them
- \star Those suffering severe weather and extreme temperatures
- \star Those who have lost loved ones to death.
- \star The Beech Grove community, to hear the gospel.
- \star Christians who teach the gospel around the world.
- ★ The effectiveness of our direct mailing of HtH/HtH
- ★ Those tempted by Satan to forsake the Lord, His church, and godly living.
- \star The lukewarm
- \star The sick and injured
- \star Widows and orphans

Missionary visit and report: Last Sunday Jim Waldron had an excellent report of the progress in India. We appreciate his zeal for truth.

Bible Reading Schedule Week of January 31-February 7

Weekly: Ex 12:14-27:21; Mt. 20:29-25:30; Ps. 25:16-31:8; Prov. 6:12-8:11

| | Sun | Mon | Tue. | Wed. | Thur. | Fri. | Sat. | Sun. |
|-----|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|--------|---------|-------|
| Ex | 12:14- | 13:17- | 15:19 | 17:8- | 19:16- | 21:22- | 23:14-2 | 26:1- |
| | 13:16 | 15:18 | -17:7 | 19:15 | 21:21 | 23:13 | 5:40 | 27:21 |
| Mat | 20:29- | 21: | 22: | 22:34- | 23: | 24: | 24: | 25: |
| | 21:22 | 23-46 | 1-33 | 23:12 | 13-39 | 1-28 | 29-51 | 1-30 |
| Psa | 25: | 26: | 27: | 27: | 28: | 29: | 30: | 31: |
| | 16-22 | 1-12 | 1-6 | 7-14 | 1-9 | 1-11 | 1-12 | 1-8 |
| Pro | 6: | 6: | 6: | 6: | 7: | 7: | 7: | 8: |
| | 12- 15 | 16- 19 | 20-26 | 27-35 | 1-5 | 6-23 | 24-27 | 1-11 |

This schedule will get you through the Bible in a year, and will give you four different parts of the Bible for a variety each day. **Remember** the Sunday evening lesson is based on the previous week's reading.

Some Things Are Always With Us

by Michael E. Brooks

"But Jesus said, 'Let her alone. Why do you trouble her? She has done a good work for me. For you have the poor with you always, and whenever you wish you may do them good; but me you do not have always'"(Mark 14:6-7 NKJV).

For the past few weeks the news has focused upon the disastrous earthquake in Haiti. Estimates of dead, injured, and homeless have continuously escalated until the total of all such damage exceeds one million victims.

The economic and environmental impact is far greater even than those figures suggest. It is probably true that there will ultimately be none of the population who is not directly affected. The rebuilding of the infrastructure of the country is estimated to take at least ten years.

Tiny fragments of good news continue to arrive from that devastated nation, however. Just recently, a full two weeks after the quake, word came of the discovery and rescue of a 17 year-old girl from the rubble. Faint hope remains of other survivors.

Does it seem that such disasters are more frequent and more extensive than ever before? Just since the turn of the new millennium (2000) there has been the tsunami in the Indian Ocean; Hurricane Katrina in the U.S.A. (just one of several damaging storms in that country alone); a devastating cyclone in Bangladesh (Sidyr, in 2006), and another about a year later in Myanmar (Burma); and another major earthquake in Indonesia.

Other storms, earthquakes and disasters have occurred elsewhere on barely lesser scales. These do not even take into account the toll of wars, terrorist attacks and other horrors. Truly these have been tragic times in too many places, for far too many people.

We are properly appalled at these instances of human suffering. If there is good news in this picture it is the continually repeated story of global efforts to bring relief to the victims.

Hundreds of millions of dollars and thousands of volunteers turn out in almost every instance. Our hearts are warmed and our faith in human goodness is restored.

I certainly do not want to minimize or cast any aspersions on the seriousness of such suffering, or the wonderful generosity and love demonstrated by those who help. Yet I cannot help but apply the words of Jesus with which this article began to these events. Like the poor, natural disasters and their victims are always with us.

Helping the poor and needy, including the victims of disaster, is part of his work and certainly is a means of expressing Christian faith and love (James 2:15-16; 1 John 3:17-18). We must never shirk from the opportunity to do this (Galatians 6:10).

Yet there is one thing that is even more important and urgent. That is confronting the disaster of sin which threatens the lives of the entire population of this world.

Haiti's earthquake will affect its 8 or 9 million people for the next decade or so. Sin, if unforgiven, will condemn the earth's population of nearly 7 billion for all eternity. Does that fact appall us and spark us to action as does an earthquake? Should it not?

Jesus warned the disciples that he would not always be with them, therefore those works that emphasized serving him were of special value. Similarly we are reminded that the opportunity to teach the lost and prepare them for eternity is limited and brief (Hebrews 3:13).

Our work is urgent.

Recently, millions of people learned of the rescue of one teenager in Haiti and rejoiced. No doubt also at various places throughout the world that same day men and women of all ages learned of Jesus Christ and received salvation for all eternity through obedient faith in him. How many rejoiced at that? We know for certain that "the angels in the presence of God" did (Luke 15:10).

Let us continue to respond to the great (and not so great) physical disasters which cause suffering in this world. But can we not also respond even more to the ongoing spiritual disaster which is so much more devastating and tragic?

"The harvest truly is plentiful; but the laborers are few. Therefore pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into the harvest" (Matthew 9:37-38).

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