

Attendance and Contribution

| Mo | Wk | BS | MW | EW | Wed | Cont |
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| June | 19 | 11 | 21 | 16 | 14 | \$821 |
| June | 12 | 15 | 25 | 26 | 11 | \$791 |
| June | 5 | 12 | 26 | 12 | 15 | \$604 |
| May | 29 | 8 | 17 | 10 | 10 | \$330 |
| May | 22 | 15 | 29 | 14 | 18 | \$528 |

Programs to Watch and Share

SEARCH for the Lord's Way
Sundays @ 7:00 am WUXP-TV 30
Sundays @10:00 am WHTN-TV 39
Mack Lyon, Phil Sanders, speakers
www.searchtv.org

Topic-- July 03 – A Nation Under God

Anyone can make a good start, but staying faithful to the end demands loyalty and determination. How can we as Christians stay faithful to our Lord amidst all the temptations and challenges facing us each day?

Good News Today

Sundays @ 7:30 am WUXP-TV30
Jim Dearman, speaker

“Think About It” hosted by Brad Harrub and Joe Wells. FOX - 17, Nashville, Sunday 6:30 am

Link for Gospel Broadcasting Network (GBN)
<http://intermedia.encompass-m.com/GospelBroadcastingNetwork/2.aspx>

| Assignments | July |
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| Song leader (SS) | Ken Thomas |
| Announcements | Junior Conner |
| Songleader-Worship | Tim Waldron |
| Scripture reading | T J Waldron |
| Opening prayer | Steve Miller |
| Table service (center) | Tim Waldron |
| (center) | T J Waldron |
| (outside) | Junior Conner |
| (outside) | Ken Thomas |
| Closing Prayer | Lee Rose |

Bible readings for the week:

2 Kings 17-25, 2 Cor. 1-13

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| Sunday | 2 Kings 17-18 |
| Monday | 2 Kings 19-21 |
| Tuesday | 2 Kings 22-23 |
| Wednesday | 2 Kings 24-25 |
| Thursday | 2 Cor. 1-4 |
| Friday | 2 Cor. 5-9 |
| Saturday | 2 Cor. 10-13 |

Remember - the Sunday evening lesson is based on the previous week's reading.



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Righteous Versus Self-Righteous

By Stan Mitchell

"A righteous man knows the rights of the poor; a wicked man does not understand such knowledge," (Proverbs 29:7), ESV.

The man walked into his home, and sat down to think. The news that his fiancée was pregnant had stunned him. He knew he was not the father, for they had not had sexual relations. Who then?

He was hurt, and angry. He was a man with a reputation for being righteous. So what would he do? Condemn an obvious betrayal? Show this woman up for the wanton and immoral person she apparently was? After all, that's what righteous people do!

Matthew records that "because he was a righteous man," Joseph did not want to expose Mary to public disgrace, and resolved to put her away "quietly" (Matthew 1:19).

There is always an element of mercy in a righteous person. Now for the self-righteous person, that's another matter. The self-righteous love to expose others' mistakes, and succumb to acute amnesia with regard to their own!

The self-righteous condemns the poor as lazy and dishonest; they expose the sinful as evil and malevolent. The truly righteous, however, care about the poor, and seek to restore the sinful.

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Sunday Schedule

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| Bible Classes | 10 AM |
| Worship | 11 AM |
| Worship | 6 PM |
| Wednesday: Bible Classes | 7 PM |

Mission Works & Evangelism

House to House/ Heart to Heart
Restoration Radio
Jim Waldron
Manuelito Children's Home

Prayer list . . . Pray for

- Beechgrove, to hear the gospel.
 - Christians who teach the gospel around the world.
 - Mission work at home and abroad
 - Our elderly members who have difficulty getting around, but continue to be good examples of faithfulness.
 - The effectiveness of our direct mailing of HtH/HtH.
 - Those tempted by Satan to forsake the Lord, His church, and godly living.
 - The lukewarm
 - The sick and injured
 - Widows and orphans
 - Those who are bereaved.
 - The unemployed, underemployed.
 - Leaders of nations, local leaders.
 - School teachers and students
 - Elizabeth Walker, Blvd. Terrace
 - Military personnel: Andy Miller family, and Adam Thomas in California
 - Civilians in war zones.
 - People suffering from disasters caused by nature and weather. In particular, the people who have suffered losses to tornados and floods in recent days. So many have died, and others are missing.
 - Those who are having domestic problems and are tempted to give up.
 - Pray for those who know the truth, that they would have as much zeal for truth as those who believe and propagate false teachings!
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Beech Grove News

Continue to pray for Leroy Muncy to rehab from knee replacement. Michelle Green has a broken ankle. Pray for her and her at-home-nurse, Joe.

Don't forget our Gospel Meeting with brother Blankenship starting the second Sunday in August.

Have You Not Heard? by Tim Hall

Reading the Bible is so simple. Why should we take time to do it?

Sometimes I shake my head in disbelief as I consider what happened to ancient Israel. These people were the beneficiaries of incredible blessings from God. But still they turned away from the Lord to serve idols. How could such a thing happen?

Isaiah helps us understand the problem. In chapter 40, the prophet exhorted the people with these words: "... Lift up your voice with strength, lift it up, be not afraid; say to the cities of Judah, 'Behold your God!'" (Isaiah 40:9)

"Be not afraid," he wrote. But why would the people of God be afraid?

The land of Israel was constantly harassed by enemy nations. Located in a strategic spot just north of Egypt, Israel was envied by many. God had given Abraham's descendants a fertile and prosperous land, and other people wanted it. That's why Israel was afraid.

But should they have been afraid? Isaiah speaks to that question in verses 28 and 29:

"Have you not known? Have you not heard? The everlasting God, the Lord, the Creator of the ends of the earth, neither faints nor is weary. His understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the weak, and to those who have no might He increases strength."

His message to Israel was simple: God gave you this land, and he is able to defend it from your enemies. Why don't you believe this, Israel? Have you not heard?

That's precisely our problem most of the time. When worry or fear grips our hearts we should ask ourselves, "Have we not heard? Have we not known?" God's promises are extended to his people today just as they were extended to Israel.

For too many, however, those promises are shrouded in darkness. They haven't been to the Word in a very long time. They've forgotten the power of the One who called them.

Bible reading sounds like the most mundane activity in the world. When we have so many exciting activities from which to choose, why should we make time to read such an old Book?

Sadly, most don't make the time. And as a result, they haven't known and they haven't heard about God's power and might. Their failure to read and meditate on God's word is exactly the reason why their lives are filled with fear and worry.

What strength comes to those who spend time reading their Bibles! We are reminded of God's past actions and comforted by his promises of help, both in the present and in the future.

"But those who wait on the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint" (Isaiah 40:31).

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