

**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements .....(668-9537) Larry Flatt  
 Lead Singing .....Paul Hurst  
 First Prayer .....Stanley Clendenon  
 Reading .....Jeff Templeton  
 Scripture .....TBA  
 Lord's Table (N).....\*Willard Dunlap  
 (S).....\*Randall Gann  
 (N).....Dwight Barrett  
 (N).....David McColloch  
 (N).....Ryan McColloch  
 (S).....Derrick Pennington  
 (S).....Jared Mullican  
 (S).....Mike Mullins  
 Sermon.....Aaron Ownbey  
 Dismiss.....Dale Bennett

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements .....(668-9537) Larry Flatt  
 Lead Singing .....Paul Hurst  
 First Prayer .....Jeff Flatt  
 Reading .....Herb Rowland  
 Scripture .....TBA  
 Lord's Table .....\*Bruce Pryor  
 .....\*Rodney Reynolds  
 Sermon.....Aaron Ownbey  
 Dismiss.....Darron Dixon

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements .....Rodney Reynolds  
 Lead Singing .....Tim Fisher  
 First Prayer .....Micah Lawrence  
 Reading .....Eddie Palmer  
 Invitation.....Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss .....Josh Templeton

**Welcome Committee**

A.M.....Jimmy & Iva Cunningham  
 P.M.....Randall & Deborah Gann

Bus Driver:.....Ronnie Prince (808-2598)

Ushers: .....Ken Martin, Justin Randolph, Marc Martin  
 Attend Nursery: .....Barbara Sain  
 Un/Lock Building: .....Danny Duncan/Kurt Maynard  
 Prepare Communion: .....Keele Family  
 Assist Baptisms: ..... Mary Flatt & Barbara Witt

Pantry Item: .....Crackers

Elder Closing Remarks: .....Leonard Clemons

**Record For The Week...**

A.M. Worship.....292  
 Bible Study .....232  
 P.M. Worship .....214  
 Wednesday Bible Study .....191  
 Contribution .....\$6,573

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**Services**

<i>Sunday</i>		<i>Wednesday</i>	
A.M. Worship	9:00 AM	Bible Study	7:00 PM
Bible Study	10:15 AM	<i>Monday (2<sup>nd</sup> &amp; 4<sup>th</sup> of each month)</i>	
P.M. Worship	6:00 PM	Monday Morning Bible Class	9:00 AM

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## Sick

### At Home:

Frankie Hobbs  
Evie Campbell (Avie Clemons sister)  
June Crouch  
Flossie Warren  
Brenda Young - St. Thomas Mid-town  
Agnes Thomas - (Lindsay Ownbey's grandmother)

### In The Hospital:

Clara Scott - knee replacement in Manchester

## Sympathy

We extend our sympathy to the family of Denton Ramsey, brother of Glenn Ramsey who formerly preached at Bybee Branch. Brother Denton also preached at the Bonner congregation several years ago. His services were in Baxter, TN on Monday.

## Youth News

Thank you so much to everyone that stayed Sunday night and volunteered for 2018's upcoming youth events. I don't know if I told everyone this, but the things we went over were just the big events (requiring travel or a larger amount of money). My goal is to try to inform everyone of the future events that are more costly so you can have as much time as possible to plan. I will hang a master copy of all the events and volunteers who signed up. I will also add a file to our youth group's Facebook page to help keep everyone up to date. Copies of the calendar can be distributed by request. There are some events that the date is set but other events' date could fluctuate. I'll try to give as much notice, but certain circumstances could need flexibility.

I am also working on events for our younger ones here at Bybee. We have a huge group of 3rd-5th graders and I do not want to neglect them. So if you have any ideas for things that they can do as a group please let me know. The more we can get our youth together, the stronger the bond they can have now and when they get older. Please submit your suggestions to me or Lindsay (in writing please, so I don't forget) and we can see about adding to the calendar.

Thanks, Aaron

## Upcoming Youth Events:

- November 26 - Home Devotional @ Maggie & Rickey Hurst's Home
- December 3 - Bible Bowl Test over Matthew 12-16
- December 10 - Pew Packers @ 5

## God Bless America

*"Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord"* (Psalms 33:12a).

While the above words were spoken of Israel specifically, we make a mistake if we assume they should have no application to any nation that would choose to honor God, recognizing Him as sovereign and respecting His laws. Our nation, from its founding, and contrary to the assertions we hear so much today, has been one that has recognized God and sought His blessings.

I believe God's protective hand has been on this country through its long history. A South America president was quoted as saying, "South America was settled by men who were seeking gold, but North America was settled by men who were seeking God."

Through our history we have been blessed uniquely. We take for granted the freedoms we have, and the blessings other people can only dream of. But who can doubt that the Christian ideals we once honored are rapidly being eroded away? Someone once observed that we have not only gone off the gold standard, thus weakening our economy, but, more importantly, we have gone off the God-standard, jeopardizing our nation. The religion of secular humanism has become our state-religion.

In our rush to "separate church and state", we have succeeded in separating state from God! Many countries, once considered to be largely "Christian", are now under the threat of Islam, and our country may not be far behind. Should we be surprised if the blessings we have cherished are lost? Are we not already in the process? For God to bless America, it is vital that America begin again to bless God.

~ Ronald Bartanen~

## What Is A Pinion

What is a pinion? Not opinion (an opinion is "a view, judgment, or appraisal formed in the mind about a particular matter"). Pinion is different. It would be interesting to me, if the average person ran across the word "pinion", would they know what it means? Maybe all of you do. This preacher is very ignorant about a lot of things, so I keep dictionaries, Thesauruses and The Synonym Finder close by. If you know what a pinion is, that's good. You're probably smart.

You may be thinking, "What is he doing? Why all this about a pinion?" Well it has to do with Bible translations. I am a dyed in the wool King James Version user. However, I read other translations and have many of them in my library, as well as, being able to search the Internet. Sometimes people latch on to new translations because they are new. Some seemingly think the King James Version is archaic so therefore we need a new one. So, if you use the New King James or The American Standard, continue on my brother, as they both are very good translations. Here is what brought all this to my attention. I am reading the ESV (English Standard Version) in the Psalms. The passage reads, "He will cover you with his pinions, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness is a shield and buckler" (Ps. 91:4). Being unlearned as I am, I said to myself, "What is a pinion?" So, I went to my trusted KJV and read the passage, "He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust: his truth shall be thy shield and buckler" (Ps. 91:4, KJV). I knew what feathers were but I didn't know what a pinion was. However, now I know what pinions are, as the definition of pinion is, "the terminal section of a bird's wing including the carpus, metacarpus, and phalanges; broadly: wing" both definitions from Webster's Dictionary. Ok, Acuff why all the fuss about a word? Here are some lessons.

- One, read your Bible. Use a trusted translation such as KJV, NKJV or ASV. Read other translations, if you choose, as you would a commentary. Read the Bible, daily.
- Two, study your Bible. There is a difference in reading and studying. Studying is when you stop and search out the meaning of a verse or a passage. Do you know what the word "manifold" means? It means something different in an automobile than it does in the right passages in which it is used in the Bible. Don't be in a big hurry to rush through a passage.
- Three, keep some good helps available. Basics such as a Bible Dictionary, Haley's Bible Hand Book, Gospel Advocate Commentaries or Coffman Commentaries, Young's or Strong's Concordance. If you do all your research on the computer, put certain places in your favorites such as Bible Gateway, Coffman Commentary, and e-Sword. I have a program called Accordance (some of it is free or you can purchase various tools from it).
- Four, don't let the daily grind of life keep you from studying. Everyone has much to do. It is very easy to say, "Oh well, I'll do it tomorrow." No you won't! Because something else will come up tomorrow. All of us must discipline ourselves to search the scriptures.

Jesus said, "Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me" (John 5:39).

~ Larry Acuff ~

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