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Goshen Primitive Baptist Church Bulletin

Living in the New Year

Psalms 91:1-2 "He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the LORD, *He is* my refuge and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust."

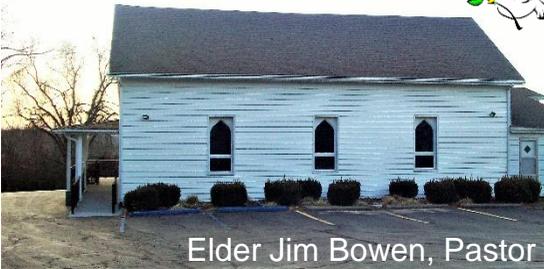
Here we are at the beginning of a New Year. Last year is now history to be remembered and the coming year is a mystery to me as to how it will unfold.

At times, in church, we sing these words "I don't know about the tomorrow..." The words are so true in my experience. I know that at every level of my existence, family, and friends, national and world-wide, we are facing difficult times. We are facing evil times politically, morally, financially and socially. Only God knows what the New Year will bring. As I went to bed last night there were troubles brewing in my life in everything from family to the weather. All I could think of was to pray and I do pray. I'm not at all sure that I form my prayers the best way they could be formed, but I trust that God will hear my prayers from my heart. That is why I (we) must focus unwaveringly with Jesus and His word.

When we dwell with Him and on Him and humble ourselves to draw near to Him, we can rest in His shadow. We can rest with Him because He is our refuge and our fortress, our hiding place, our protection, and our defense. He is the one true and living God, in whom we trust.

It would seem safe to say that the New Year will have its share of problems for each of us and that is all the more reason to have the courage to stay close to God. If we focus on any situation too intensely, we can lose sight of God. Our mind gears up for battle and we feel we have to conquer problems immediately. That is the human nature. But God's word says there is a better way and that is to have the courage to take our problems to our Creator, Sustainer, Saviour and Friend and look at our situation in the light of His presence. In this world there will always be trouble, but Jesus said, "...be of good cheer; I have overcome the world." (John 16:33)

Until the LORD returns we will face what is ahead. May God bless us to have the patience of Job, the wisdom of Solomon, and the courage to stand by our God given convictions. Our Almighty God is our strength and God help us to trust and rest in Him is my prayer for God's people in this New Year.



Elder Jim Bowen, Pastor

Lord willing, we will gather in God's house next Sunday and praise Him for His love.

If your heart needs an old time revival of preaching check out <http://www.mannacomingdown.org> where you can chose from a half dozen pastors... some who have been with us at Goshen over the years.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- 01-10 – Ladies Circle @ Gail Calvin's @ 7:00 p.m.
- 01-14 – Celebrate January Birthday's/Anniversary's/Carry In Lunch/Business Meeting
- 01-14 – Bible Study Class @ 3:00 p.m.
- 01-21 - Breakfast With The Lord @ 8:45 a.m.
- 01-28 – Circle Prayer Service @ 9:10 a.m.
- 01-28 – Bible Study Class @ 3:00 p.m.

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 01-06 – Ray Ash
- 01-06 – Steve Sapp
- 01-10 – Cory Blackburn
- 01-10 – Jackson Fischer
- 01-12 – Kathryn Crump
- 01-21 – Brenda Austin
- 01-21 – Brian Sapp
- 01-22 – Chris Bennett
- 01-24 – Cray Estes

Faith is a force that is greater than knowledge or power or skill, And the darkest defeat turns to triumph if you trust in God's wisdom and will, For faith is a mover of mountains – there's nothing man cannot achieve If he has the courage to try it and then has the *faith* to believe.



Prayers:
GOSHEN CHURCH
JAMES 5:16
PRAY ONE FOR ANOTHER
Justin John
Cathy Wilkinson
Danny Sapp
Shirley Calvin, Pat Waller
Esther "Janie" Lewis
*Those In The Nursing Homes
& Health Care Facilities
Our Military and Military Families*

