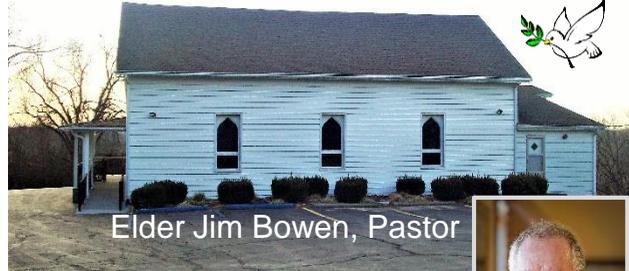


Goshen Primitive Baptist Church Bulletin

DEACON'S

Ordination

(Norm Baker & Myron Helms)
APRIL 27TH - 7:00 p.m.



Elder Jim Bowen, Pastor



STRIVING IN PRAYER

I just returned from a “prayer for revival” meeting. I felt blessed in that time, but I also was convicted of my short comings in my own prayer life. I continue to have a hope that God would help me to be much better at praying for others as we strive to serve the Lord. I was encouraged that others had that same thought. Lord willing, I and others will pray more like what God would have us pray.

It’s a blessing to know that the Lord prays for others. In Luke 22:31-32 the Lord said, “Simon, Simon, behold, Satan hath desired to *have* you, that he may sift *you* as wheat: But I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not: and when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren.” Here the Lord prayed for Peter. Peter would soon be told of his impending denial of Jesus. Peter was going to experience a very tough time in his life. He needed prayers and I can’t help but think in the darkest of times, Peter would always remember the Lord prayed for him.

Romans 15:30 “Now I beseech you, brethren, for the Lord Jesus Christ's sake, and for the love of the Spirit, that ye strive together with me in *your* prayers to God for me;” In his service to our “*Lord Jesus Christ*”, Paul realized his human weakness and limitations. He knew that, in order for him to be fruitful in the Lord’s service, the Lord must equip him to serve. He reveals that he did “*strive*” in “*prayers*” for himself. To “*strive*” is to labor with all strength and understanding. Thus, Paul labored in “*prayer*”; that is, he spent much time praying, focusing his attention upon the “*Lord*” and asking Him to provide the things that were necessary for him to serve. Paul also asked his “*brethren*” to “*strive*” with him in “*prayers*”. It is a great joy and comfort to know that our “*brethren*” are striving “*together with*” us in “*prayers*”. Let us “*strive*” with one another in “*prayers*” that the Lord will provide such as we need to be fruitful servants to Him!

APRIL 15, 2018

Attendance 58

Prayers & Concerns:

GOSHEN CHURCH/OUR NATION
JAMES 5:16 - PRAY ONE FOR ANOTHER
Ray Ash, Nancy Rupard, Pam Slama,
Peggy Bowen, Zereta Alsobrook,
Cathy Wilkinson, Esther “Janie” Lewis
*Those In The Nursing Homes
& Health Care Facilities
Our Military and Military Families*

Church approved a request to host
the 2021 Primitive Baptist
Foundation Meeting.



- APRIL BIRTHDAYS:**
04-15 – Norman Baker
04-19 – Junetta House
04-21 – Justin Wobbe
04-21 – Shelly Helms
04-23 – Peggy Bowen

- 04-17 – Men’s Practice
04-18 – Choir Practice @ 6:30 p.m.
04-27 – Deacon Ordination Ceremony @ 7:00 p.m.
04-29 – PBYF 5th Sunday Donation Lunch
(Grilled Burgers & Hot Dogs, Salads, Desserts)
Goshen’s Spring Meeting – May 3-6
Elder Howard Rushing, Guest Speaker
Mother’s Day Lunch – May 12
Memorial Day – May 28
Church Youth Camp – B 3-7
Father’s Day Breakfast – June 17
Independence Day – Wednesday, July 4
Ministerial Conference – July 17-19
PBYF Donation Lunch - July 30