

# Goshen Primitive Baptist Church Bulletin

MAY 13, 2018

Attendance 62

MOTHERS IN ISRAEL

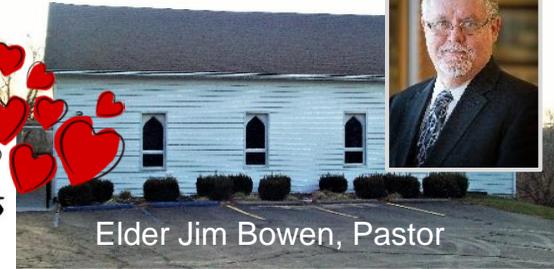
One of the good things that our country has done is to set aside a day as Mother's Day. Just as the Bible says "pray without ceasing" we are to remember without ceasing. This is not to say we pray audibly and our minds are constantly thinking about mothers, the Lord, or praying, but that is to be in our heart as a mindset. There are some things worth remembering and some things worth forgetting and Mothers, Fathers, and the Lord are worth remembering.

Mothers have wiped many tears from the eyes of their children and prayed for them when they did not realize it. She comforted them many times and never has stopped praying for them, even when they are grown. Just as a mother comforts and protects her children, so does the Lord comfort His church. Isaiah tells us, "As one whom his mother comforteth, so will I comfort you; and ye shall be comforted in Jerusalem." (Isaiah 66:13)

The Bible from Genesis to Revelation speaks of mother's in tender and loving ways; characterizes mothers in wonderful ways. There are many illustrations in the Bible of motherhood as it relates to the Church of Jesus Christ. Let us look at one of two mothers who are called a "mother in Israel" in the Bible. In looking this "mother in Israel" we can surely pick up several things worth remembering and applying in our lives.

In 2 Samuel 20:14-20 we read of a time when King David was over Israel and Joab was his military commander. There is woman who lived in a city where a man had hidden himself from Joab and Joab was intent on tearing that city down if need be to get at this man. Then this woman, this "mother in Israel" confronts Joab. She is courageous to stand in the face of danger and protect those she is given care over. "Then cried a wise woman out of the city, Hear, hear; say, I pray you, unto Joab, Come near hither, that I may speak with thee." (Verse 16) Remember, a "mother in Israel" is courageous, protective and wise. Now Joab had authority and power to destroy that city, but this wise woman, this "mother in Israel" calls him over to explain some things. "Then she said unto him, Hear the words of thine handmaid." (Verse 17) Now she refers to herself as "thine handmaid"; she is humble in her spirit. A "mother in Israel" is courageous, protective, wise and humble in spirit. A finally this woman speaks in with these words in verse 19, "I am one of them that are peaceable and faithful in Israel..." She has just added two more wonderful attributes; one is that she is peaceable and she works for peace over her house. She is peaceable and faithful. A mother in Israel is faithful to her children, she is faithful to her husband and she is faithful to God. These attributes are alive in the Church today.

Solomon said the price of a virtuous woman was far above rubies and the heart of her children trust in her and call her blessed. Thank the Lord for all our mothers. Many have gone on to be with the Lord, but their memories are still etched in the mind and lives of those who survived them. We at Goshen want to wish every mother of our church, community, and fellow Christians, a happy Mother's Day filled with the blessings of the Lord.



Elder Jim Bowen, Pastor

Praise The Lord

DEE WOOD-COFFMAN

Ask For A Home At Goshen Church

Baptismal Service Will Be Announced Later

**CHURCH WORK/CLEAN UP DAY**

**MAY 19 – 8:00 A.M.**

**All help appreciated!**

Please take time to say a special prayer for the sick and those having health problems:

Sister Nancy Rupard (kidney removed Wednesday)  
Sister Nancy Bryant (cataract surgery)  
Tyler Lenger (Double Hernia surgery)  
Sister Peggy Bowen (wound clinic)  
Gary Mutert & Jim Parsons (friends of Brian Kirmse)  
Pastor Matt Goodsell  
Sandy Rutherford  
Brother Ray Ash  
Zereta Alsobrook (Brenda Hunter's Mom)  
Cathy Wilkinson (Friend of Norm and Patricia)  
Russell Hargis Betty Craig, Pat Waller



## UPCOMING EVENTS:

05-19 – Outside Church Clean Up Day @ 8:00 a.m.  
05-20 – Breakfast With The Lord @ 8:45 a.m.  
05-23 – Seasoned Citizen's Cones & Cokes @ McDonald's/Ashland @ 2:30 p.m.  
05-27 – Bible Study @ 3:00 p.m.  
05-28 – Celebrate Memorial Day  
05-30 – Choir Practice @ 6:30 p.m.

## MAY BIRTHDAYS:

05-13 – Ola Mae Taggart  
05-16 – Jonathan Ash  
05-17 – Esther Lewis (98)  
05-23 – Layton Kirmse  
05-25 – Bruce Glascock  
05-28 – Michelle Bennett