

Community Calendar

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Wednesday, May 14

"Cooking through the Calendar 2025" will be held at the Lawrence County Extension office, 249 Industrial Park Rd., Louisa, at noon. Enjoy free cooking demonstrations and sampling. 606-673-9495.

Thursday, May 15

God's Food Pantry, 97 Southland Drive, located off Highway 2565, Louisa, serving Lawrence County, is open every Thursday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

The Martin County Fiscal Court will meet at 5 p.m., in the courtroom on the second floor of the Martin County Government Center, Inez. Open meeting.

Martin County Health Department will have a Diabetes education program every Thursday at 4 p.m., class is also offered virtually. Contact Lakean Meade for information or to sign-up at 606-298-7752.

Front Porch Pickin' is held every Thursday at 7 p.m., at the US 23 Country Music Highway Museum, 120 Stave Branch Rd., Paintsville. For information, call 606-297-7823.

Friday, May 16

A 12-Steps with Jesus Recovery Program is held every Friday, beginning at 7 p.m., at New Life Outreach Church, 20 Cedar Heights Rd., Fort Gay, WV.

A Job Fair and Career Expo will be held from 10 a.m.-2 p.m., at Carter Caves, 344 Caveland Dr., Olive Hill. For information, contact kara.williamson@nkcaa.net.

Saturday, May 17

His Place Food Pantry, 1632 Tug River Road, near the mouth of Turkey Creek, Inez, will be open today. Residents are asked to provide their name and total number in the household to receive assistance.

The Lawrence County Farmers Market will have their last sellers meeting at noon, at the LC Extension office, 249 Industrial Park Rd., Louisa.

Sunday, May 18

Services will be held each week at 11 a.m., the Bartram Chapel Community Church, located south of Fort Gay (Tolsia Highway) turn at Paddle Creek exit onto old Mill Creek Road. Pastor Greg Caudill welcomes everyone.

Monday, May 19

Lawrence County School Board of Education will meet at 6 p.m., at the Lawrence County High School, Bulldog Lane, Louisa. Open to the public.

The Lawrence County Transfer Station a/k/a county dump, 27 Poorhouse Road, Louisa, will be open Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., for Lawrence County residents only. No non-residential or contractor solid waste accepted. Check in at the office at the LC Road Department at 27 Poorhouse Rd., before dumping.

The Johnson County Board of Education will meet at 10 a.m., at the central office, 253 North Mayo Trail, Paintsville. 606-789-2530. Open to the public.

Floyd County Board of Education meeting is 10 a.m., at the Central office - Varia Media Center, 442 KY 550, Eastern. For information, call 606-886-2354. Open to the public.

Tuesday, May 20

The Lawrence County Fiscal Court meeting will be at 10 a.m., in the downtown courthouse, 122 S. Main Cross St., Louisa. Open to the public.

The Lawrence County Health Department, 1080 Meadowbrook Lane, Louisa, will offer immunizations, by appointments, Tuesday-Thursday, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., and Friday, 8 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Call 606-638-4389.

Let's Taco-about Stroke cooking classes will be held today at the Johnson County Extension office, 826 FM Stafford Ave., Paintsville, 5-7 p.m.

Each family attending will receive a \$25 Food City gift card. To pre-register, email hsamons@arh.org.

A community church service hosted by Webb Chapel Community Church will be held at 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, May 20, at Friendship House Chapel, 174 Everman St., Grayson. Everyone welcome. Special singing and preaching.

Helping Hands Martin County, 86 Big Elk Road, Beauty, is open on Tuesday and Wednesday, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Paintsville High School band and choir presents their spring concert "A Night At The Movies" at 7 p.m., at the Historic Sipp Theater, downtown Paintsville.

Miscellaneous

Arts and Crafts Club will meet at the Johnson County Extension office, 826 F.M. Stafford Ave., Paintsville, 4 p.m., Thursday, May 22. Club open to 4-12 grade students. To sign up call 606-789-8108 or email sonjia.meade@uky.edu.

The Facing Hunger Food Bank mobile pantry will be at the Pigeon Roost Community Cen-



BLUEGRASS BIBLE BEAT

YOUR WORKS PROVE HIS GRACE

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Most agree that we cannot be our own savior—that is, our works, no matter how noble, cannot save us from sin's penalty. (Ephesians 2:8). That is so because we're all guilty sinners. (II Kings 8:46) ("There is no man that does not sin."); (Romans 3:23) ("For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God."). Similarly, most agree that only repentance from sin (Luke 13:3), which God's goodness leads us to via godly sorrow (Romans 2:4; 7:10); and then, faith in The Lord Jesus can save us from sin's ultimate penalty—eternal death in hell. (Acts 4:12; Romans 6:23). Despite this near-universal agreement, a multi-decade debate rages in evangelical circles: Lordship Salvation vs. Free Grace.

What is Lordship Salvation? Lordship Salvation is the label many put on preaching that emphasizes what Jesus often said: "If any man will come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross and follow Me." (Matthew 16:24; Luke 9:23). Those who do so say that believing in Christ is enough; that Jesus need not be "the Lord of your life" for one to be saved. The Free Grace crowd says that self-denial, cross-bearing, and following Jesus presents some higher level of discipleship. They say "only believe," citing Romans 10:9-10, and continue that belief suffices to escape sin's ultimate penalty. Put differently, the Free Grace crowd says that the efforts required for self-denial, cross bearing, and following Jesus are "works" unnecessary to be saved.

Who's right? Both are right, sort of. Remember the rich young ruler, he asked Jesus, "What shall I do to inherit eternal life?" (Mark 10:17; Luke 18:18). Remember Jesus's answer: "Go sell all you have, give it to the poor . . . take up the cross and follow Me." (Mark 10:21; Luke 18:22). That is—The Lord accepts nothing less than our all. We must accept His offer of eternal life on His terms, not ours. (John 10:1). But what about grace, you ask?

Salvation is a product of God's sovereign grace, in sending forth His Son to suffer for our sins. (Romans 5:8; James 1:18). Yet we can't make peace with God on our own. So, where does the self-denial and cross-bearing come into play? Now we're on the right track, and right back to what Jesus said: "Every good tree produces good fruit." (Matthew 7:17). An apple tree, for example, can't help but yield apples—those apples hanging from its branches prove it's an apple tree. Similarly, a heart transformed by sincere repentance can't help but yield self-denial, cross-bearing, and following Jesus. Differently put, these efforts prove our faith real. James wrote: "Faith without works is dead, being alone." (James 2:14-18). That is--self-denial, cross-bearing, and following Jesus even unto death (Rev. 2:10) proves we're saved. Genuine repentance and faith, brought about by God's grace saves us; an ever-increasing pattern of devotion to His lordship proves we are what we say we are: saved by grace.

Church Spotlight Praise and Worship



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"Come Honor King Jesus" fourth annual Praise and Worship celebration will be held the weekend of July 18-20, rain or shine at 394 Big Fork Road, Louisa.

Camping available by reservation only. Call Rita at 606-673-4453 by Tuesday, July 1, for camping details. Hosted by Steve and Rita Grove of Holy Ground Ministries. "Seed Donations" welcome. Complete schedule of events will be announced at a later date. Keeping watching the BSN.

NOTE: If you would like to have your church featured in the "SPOTLIGHT" please e-mail information relating to services and location and a photo of the church to: brenda@thebigsandynews.com.

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**CHRISTOPHER WILLIAMS AND
JOANNA WILLIAMS**

PLAINTIFFS,

VS: NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

**DALE ALLEN HARPER AND
JESSICA HARPER, AND
DAKOTA FANNIN**

DEFENDANTS

Pursuant to the Judgment and Order of Sale rendered in the above-styled action on February 27, 2025, for the sum of three thousand seven hundred twelve dollars (\$3,712), plus other costs and expenses, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the front door of the Lawrence County Courthouse in Louisa, Kentucky, to the highest bidder, at public auction on Friday, May 30, 2025, at or about the hour of 11:00 a.m. the following described property, lying and being in Lawrence County, Kentucky, to-wit:

Sixty-five (65) acres, more or less, having a mailing address of Blaine, Lawrence County, Kentucky.

For further reference see the legal description of the property to be sold and described as Tract III in Deed Book 355, Page 730, records of the Lawrence County Court Clerk.

TERMS OF SALE:

1. The purchaser at the time of sale, shall either pay cash or make a deposit of ten percent (10%) of the purchase price, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days.
2. The successful bidder shall be required to execute a bond with good surety thereon for the unpaid purchase price of said property, if any, bearing interest at the rate of 6% per annum from the date of sale until paid, having the force and effect of a Judgment upon which execution may issue, if not paid at maturity; and a lien shall be retained upon the real property above described as additional security.
3. The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Lawrence County Clerk's Office.
4. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all real property taxes or assessments upon the property for the calendar year 2024 and all subsequent years.

NELSON T. SPARKS
MASTER COMMISSIONER
LAWRENCE CIRCUIT COURT

ter, 1714 N. Wolf Creek Rd., Lovely, 11 a.m.-noon. No income guidelines, open to everyone.

Greenlawn Cemetery Preservation, Inc., is now a non-profit. Single, double and family plots are for sale in both East and West cemeteries. For information, call Bill, 606-483-1096, Sheila, 606-922-4716, Julia, 606-483-3500 or Alan, 606-205-0970.

First Frontier Appalachian Trails Permit Sales are available Monday/Thursday/Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., 3548 Davella Road, Debord. Resident \$25, non-resident \$40, all Veterans (either category) 1/2-price, 3-day permit, \$15 and 12 and under, free.

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