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Hope during hardship

Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope. And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.

– Romans 5:3-5

And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Look! God's dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. 'He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death' or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away."

– Revelation 21:3-4

Record my misery;

list my tears on your scroll—

are they not in your record?

– Psalm 56:8

In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans. And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for God's people in accordance with the will of God.

- Romans 8:26-27

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God.

- 2 Corinthians 1:3-4

The name of the Lord is a fortified tower; the righteous run to it and are safe.

- Proverbs 18:10

I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us.

- Romans 8:18

I can do all this through him who gives me strength.

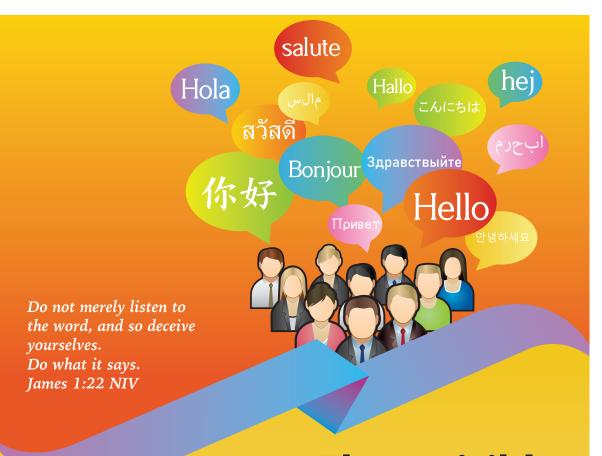
– Philippians 4:13

Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything.

- James 1:2-4

Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.

- Matthew 11:28



The Invisible Connection

n a recent book entitled "Linguaphile: A Life of Language Love" the linguist Julia Sedivy describes how language connects us both to external reality and to the minds Land spirits of others. With language we can bare our souls to others and share our innermost thoughts and feelings, but we can also hide them, and even worse, we can hurt others deeply. And so whereas language has the power to connect us, it can also divide us and separate us. Thus the care that should be taken to control our tongues, and our pens (which includes our email and text messages). We all know the regret that comes from words spoken in haste or anger. There is also a connection between our spirits and the "Great Spirit" that is forged by language. A book has been sent to you by this Great Spirit, and once you start reading it you have established a connection with Him. Mind your words and take care that you mind the words of God. -Christopher Simon













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During this journey called life, we will see...hear... read...experience things we cannot understand. Our human brains just can't digest it. That's when God will enlighten us through prayer. Just listen to HIM and HE will reveal what we need to know.

> "praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints;" Ephesians 6:18 KJV

Local church directory

COW CREEK FREEWILL BAPTIST

Route 194, Cow Creek

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Pastor Nathan Lafferty Assistant Pastor BJ Crider

SUNDAYS

Sunday School - 10 a.m.

Worship – 11 a.m. WEDNESDAYS

Service – 7 p.m.

CROSSRIDGE BAPTIST CHURCH

9239 Ky Rte 122, Minnie

Phone: (606) 377-2560 • Facebook: CrossRidge Pastor Steve Richardson

Worship – 10:30 a.m. & 6 p.m. Sunday School - 11:45 a.m.

WEDNESDAYS

Service – 6:30 p.m.

FAITH COMMUNITY CHURCH 147 Burke Ave, Prestonsburg

Phone: 606-886-8087 **S**UNDAYS

Worship – 9:45 a.m

TUESDAYS

Bible Study – 6:30 p.m.

FAITH REVELATION MINISTRIES

62 South Harkens Avenue, Prestonsburg

Sunday School – 10 a.m.

Worship – 11:15 a.m

THURSDAYS Bible Study – 7 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF ALLEN

354 US Hwy 23 North, Allen

606-874-9468 Pastor Tim Searcy

Bible Study – 9:30 a.m.

Services – 10:45 a.m & 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAYS

Service – 7 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH (IRENE COLE

MEMORIAL)

157 S. Front Street, Prestonsburg 606-886-8681

Pastor Jason Rudas

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Worship – 11 a.m & 6:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAYS

Bible Study – 6:00 p.m. **O**THER

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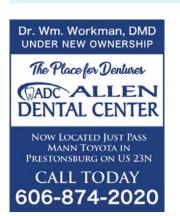
FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF PRES-**TONSBURG**

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