

CHURCH SERVICES

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
First Baptist Church, 106 E. Walnut St., has Sunday School for all ages at 8:45 a.m., followed by a worship service at 10:00 a.m. On Wednesday evenings (all year except the summer months) we have discipleship classes for all ages. We have child care in our nursery for ages birth-5 years old during all services.

FIRST CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN
First Cumberland Presbyterian Church, 501 W. Chestnut St., Leitchfield, has Sunday School at 9:45, coffee and doughnuts 10:30 a.m., worship service 11 a.m., Bible study Wednesday 10 a.m., Thursday 6 p.m., 270-259-3835. Bro. Jim Butler, Pastor.

FREE LIBERTY COMMUNITY CHURCH
72 Victory Heights Road, Leitchfield, 270-256-5723.

FREE ZION GENERAL BAPTIST
Free Zion General Baptist Church has Sunday School at 10 a.m., with worship service at 11 a.m. and Thursday nights at 7 p.m.

GOD'S MISSION FULL GOSPEL CHURCH
Senior Pastor, Bro. Kenneth Smiley, Jr. Sunday morning worship 10 a.m.; Sunday evening worship 5 p.m.; Tuesday prayer meeting, 10 a.m.; Wednesday evening service, 6 p.m.; Saturday nursing home ministry at Grayson Manor, 10 a.m.

GOD'S WAY CHURCH
God's Way Church, 307 W. Market St., has Sunday School at 10 a.m., followed

by worship service at 11 a.m. Also: Bible Study on Thursday at 6:30 p.m. Pastor Tim Gage 270-230-2372.

GOSPEL BARN
Gospel Barn 710 Old Bee Spring Road Friday at 7 p.m. and Sunday at 10 a.m. at the Gospel Barn. Pastor Irwin Decker. Everyone invited.

GOSPEL LIGHT MISSIONARY BAPTIST
Gospel Light Missionary Baptist Church in Caneyville has Sunday School at 10 a.m., and worship service at 11 a.m every Sunday. Church services the first Sunday of each month at 6 p.m. Bible Study every Wednesday at 7 p.m., except Business Meeting on the first Wednesday.

GRACE POINT BAPTIST CHURCH
Bro. Jasper Quisenberry would like to invite everyone to Grace Point Baptist Church. Services: Sunday morning at 11 a.m., Sunday night at 6 p.m., and the first Saturday night of each month at 7 p.m. 757 Dan Rd., Horse Branch. Any questions? Call Jasper Quisenberry at 270-589-8553.

HANGING ROCK BAPTIST CHURCH
Hanging Rock Baptist Church has Sunday School at 10 a.m. and worship service at 11 a.m. every Sunday. Pastor Daniel Dennis.

HILLTOP CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP
Hilltop Christian Fellowship in McDaniels has Sunday School at 10 a.m.,

Sunday worship 11 a.m., Sunday youth group 5 p.m., Wednesday prayer service 6:30 p.m., and children's ministries 6:30 p.m. Pastor Harry Hertel, 270-257-0606. Food commodities given out Thurs 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Clothes Closet open Thurs. 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Located at Ky. 79 and 105.

HOLLY BAPTIST CHURCH
Holly Baptist Church, located at 5106 Brandenburg Road, holds services each Sunday. Sunday school at 10 a.m. Preaching service at 11 a.m. Bible study each Wednesday at 7 p.m. Pastor Allen Johnson. For more information, call 270-259-6456.

HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church has church services at 10:30 a.m. and Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. every Sunday. The church is located on 889 Lilac Road. Monty Geitz is pastor. For info, call 270-259-9241.

HOPEWELL MISSIONARY BAPTIST
Hopewell Missionary Baptist Church has regular church on the first Sunday at 6 p.m., third Sunday at 11 a.m., and the Saturday before the third Sunday at 6 p.m. Brother Blake Newton is the Pastor.

JESUS CHRIST NAME HOLINESS CHURCH
Jesus Christ Name Holiness Church, 432 Kelly St., Leitchfield, has services every Sunday at 2 p.m. Everyone is welcome. Pastor, Bro. David Johnson.

The way to righteousness and fulfillment

Back to the Basics. We are constantly reminded of this. I agree if you let me name the basics. My basics would consist of three things: being rightly related to God, the source of life; a good relationship with others, our friends, our family and our neighbors; and the importance of our own self-image. If these three relationships are right, life should be at its best.

When I think of these relationships and trying to live the best life I can as a Christian, I am drawn to the Psalms and especially Psalm 1. It begins with a description of the righteous man — his character and his blessings.

"Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. But his delight is in the law of the Lord: and in his law doth he meditate day and night" (verses 1-2).

The righteous man does not associate with the evil man in such a way that he

is drawn down by him. Sin can draw us further and further away from the Christian life. Verses 1 and 2 show the progressive nature of sin — "walk," "stand," "sit." The words show the same downward pull of sin — ungodly, sinners, scornful.

How can we avoid being pulled down by sin? We must continuously live in the Word of God (v. 2). The believer must "delight in the Word of God" and "meditate on it day and night." The Lord commanded Joshua, "This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou may observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success" (Joshua 1:8). David says the righteous person is the one who "delights" and "meditates" upon God's Word continuously.

David says there are three characteristics of the righteous person's life: he is

happy, he is fruitful, and he is eternal.

"Blessed" is the chief characteristic of the righteous man. People seek happiness but in the wrong places: big cars, big houses, lots of money. This is not where happiness is found. Happiness is "a by-product of righteousness," a godly life. Holiness and happiness are bound together. So, to have real joy, be holy as God is holy.

Fruitfulness is the second characteristic of a righteous person. What is the secret of fruitfulness in life? Jesus said, "He that abideth in Me, and I in Him, the same bringeth forth much fruit" (John 15:5).

What is the fruit of a godly life? Paul tells us in Galatians 5:22-23, "The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance." He is really painting a picture of Christ.

The final characteristic of the righteous man is permanence. He has eternal life. God can make us happy and useful because He made us in the first place. We are blessed when we allow Him to control our lives.



GEORGE W. SMITH

A God we can trust

Our message today is taken from the teaching of the Psalmist in Psalm 37:1-9. The Scripture repeatedly admonishes us to trust in the Lord. When times are good, it does not seem difficult to trust in the Lord. However, when trials arise and harsh times fall upon our life, it is much harder to fully rely upon Him.

It is always important for us to place our trust in the living God, especially when everything around us seems to be falling apart. The scriptures tell us that there is a time and season for everything. I can assure you, no matter how good things are today, difficult times will come. This may well have been the situation that inspired the Psalmist's writing of Psalm 37.

In today's passage, David mentions several times that we should not fret (vv. 1, 7, 8). The root of worry is fear. When we recognize an uncontrol-

lable situation in our life, it is normal to fear the outcome. Distress over a situation is the opposite of trust, and fretting has ill effects. When we begin to fret and fear, it can take a toll on physical and emotional well-being. Another problem is that feeding worry can lead to wrongdoing. By attempting to resolve the situation quickly in our human way, we may miss God's best solution. Another consequence is that our anxiety and apprehension may undermine our witness for the kingdom because we will not be reflecting God's peace in all that we do.

We then must discover an antidote for worry and stress during a difficult time. We need — and can have — absolute trust in Christ.

Psalm 55:22 says, "Cast your burden upon the Lord, and He will sustain you; He will never allow the righteous to be shaken." This means we



NATHAN LOWE

are to lay all our burdens at His feet, believing that He is good, loving, and in control. And, as the old songwriter wrote, "Trust and Obey, for there is no other way, to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey."

Trials will come. The scripture warns that "man born of woman is of few days and full of trouble."

When trials arise, do you run toward the Lord? Or do you attempt to handle things yourself? The God who created you can handle any difficulty and pain you may be feeling, even when it seems overwhelming. God's desire is for you to surrender and trust in Him. "In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will direct your steps."

It is in His arms that you will find rest for your soul.

The real presence in the Eucharist, part II

Jesus appeared as a gardener after the Resurrection, He appeared as a stranger on the road to Emmaus, and physically appeared in the upper room for Saint Thomas to touch His wounds even though the door was locked. Jesus, being God, cannot be limited and can be whoever and whatever He wants to be, even bread and wine. Here is a continuation of last week's comments from the Early Church Fathers.

- Aphraates, the Persian Sage (280-345 A.D.) believed by Christian Tradition to have later become a bishop: "... He made the Passover and had given His Body as

food and His Blood as drink ..."

- Saint Ephraum, a deacon in 338 A.D.: "Jesus gave them the Bread which His right hand had made holy. Take all of you eat of this, which I have given you; but take eat this Bread, and do not scatter the crumbs; for what I have called My Body; one particle from its crumbs is able to sanctify thousands and thousands, and is sufficient to afford life to those who eat of it. But if anyone despise it or reject it, or treat it with ignominy (shame or disgrace) treats with ignominy the Son."

• Saint Jerome (398 A.D.). "He takes bread which strengthens the heart of man and goes on to the true Sacrament of the Passover, so that just as Melchisedech, the priest of the most high God, made bread and wine an offering. He too makes Himself manifest in the reality of His own Body and Blood."

There is so much more, but you get the picture. The Church since the time of the Resurrection has believed what Jesus said, "This is My Body ...!" Kumbaya!

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DALE DEPOYSTER



LEGAL NOTICE

Proposed Tax Notification

The Grayson County Board of Education is proposing a general fund tax levy of 55.8 cents on real property and 58.6 cents on personal property. The new rates for 2026 represent a decrease in the real property tax rates and no change in the personal property tax rate.

The General Fund tax levied in fiscal year 2026 was 56.9 cents on real property and 58.6 cents on personal property and produced revenue of \$10,390,370. The proposed General Fund tax rate of 55.8 cents on real property and 58.6 cents on personal property is expected to produce \$11,095,222. Of this amount, \$1,564,353 is from new and personal property. The compensating tax for 2027 is 53.7 cents on real property and 58.6 cents on personal property and is expected to produce \$11,028,930.

The Grayson County Board of Education is proposing a general fund tax levy of 55.8 cents on real property and 58.6 cents on personal property.

The proposed rate is expected to generate more revenue than received in the preceding year. The general areas to which revenue of \$704,852 above 2026 revenue is to be allocated are as follows: Cost of collections, \$28,194; instruction, \$563,882; transportation, \$42,291; and maintenance of plant, \$70,485.

The General Assembly has required publication of this advertisement and information contained herein. This information is published pursuant to KRS 160.470. The proposed tax rate is not subject to recall under KRS 132.017.



LEGAL NOTICE

COMMISSIONER'S SALE
AUGUST 18, 2026, at 12:00 P.M.
GRAYSON COUNTY JUDICIAL CENTER
LEITCHFIELD, KENTUCKY
GRAYSON CIRCUIT COURT, DIVISION II
CIVIL ACTION NO. 26-CI-00109

THE CECILIAN BANK, INC. PLAINTIFF

BOBBY GENE LYONS, et al DEFENDANTS

By virtue of an Order entered on July 7, 2026, 2026, the Master Commissioner will on August 18, 2026, at 12:00 p.m. or thereabouts, offer for sale the property described below. The property will be offered at public auction to the highest bidder on terms of TEN (10%) PERCENT down in the form of cash, cashier's check or certified check, and the balance on a credit of thirty (30) days, secured by a bond with sufficient surety, and bearing interest at the accruing interest rate as set forth below, per annum from date of sale until the purchase price is paid. A lien will be retained on the property sold until the purchase money is fully paid. Please contact the Master Commissioner's office prior to the date of sale to ensure that you have all documents necessary to qualify to bid. Failure to verify the sufficiency of your down payment and your surety or letter of credit prior to the commencement of the Master Commissioner sales on this sale date will result in the Master Commissioner refusing your bid.

Property Address: 2699 Owensboro Road, Leitchfield, Kentucky 42755-0186
Parcel Identification Number: 074-00-00-048 & 074-00-00-049
Judgment Amount: \$ 158,761.05
Interest Rate: 8.50%
Appraisal: \$ 170,000.00

The real estate will be appraised. The purpose of the sale is to satisfy a judgment in the amount set forth above, plus interest and costs as set forth in the Judgment. However, bids will not be required to meet or exceed the appraised value. The real estate has been adjudged indivisible and will be sold as a whole, including all improvements. The Master Commissioner makes no warranties concerning the title or to the condition of the property. This property is being sold as is. The property will be sold free of the liens of all the parties hereto and will be subject to all restrictions and easements of record. This property is being sold subject to the right of redemption in favor of the property owner under KRS §426.530.

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LEITCHFIELD, KENTUCKY
GRAYSON CIRCUIT COURT, DIVISION I
CIVIL ACTION NO. 25-CI-00038

PENNYMAC LOAD SERVICES, LLC PLAINTIFF

RUTH CONSTANT-RETZLAFF, et al DEFENDANTS

By virtue of an Order entered on May 6, 2025 and Order Rescheduling entered July 23, 2026, the Master Commissioner will on August 18, 2026, at 12:00 p.m. or thereabouts, offer for sale the property described below. The property will be offered at public auction to the highest bidder on terms of TEN (10%) PERCENT down in the form of cash, cashier's check or certified check, and the balance on a credit of thirty (30) days, secured by a bond with sufficient surety, and bearing interest at the accruing interest rate as set forth below, per annum from date of sale until the purchase price is paid. A lien will be retained on the property sold until the purchase money is fully paid. Please contact the Master Commissioner's office prior to the date of sale to ensure that you have all documents necessary to qualify to bid. Failure to verify the sufficiency of your down payment and your surety or letter of credit prior to the commencement of the Master Commissioner sales on this sale date will result in the Master Commissioner refusing your bid.

Property Address: 72 Kefauver Road, Millwood, Kentucky 42762
Parcel Identification Number: 00M-10-00-003
Judgment Amount: \$211,885.59
Interest Rate: 7.375%
Appraisal: \$ 95,000.00

The real estate will be appraised. The purpose of the sale is to satisfy a judgment in the amount set forth above, plus interest and costs as set forth in the Judgment. However, bids will not be required to meet or exceed the appraised value. The real estate has been adjudged indivisible and will be sold as a whole, including all improvements. The Master Commissioner makes no warranties concerning the title or to the condition of the property. This property is being sold as is. The property will be sold free of the liens of all the parties hereto and will be subject to all restrictions and easements of record. This property is being sold subject to the right of redemption in favor of the property owner under KRS §426.530.

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