Beech Grove News

Remember all those who are dealing with health problems. Sister Rose has gotten better and is in 316 at MTMC. She has a stronger voice and is also sitting for longer periods of time. Feeding by mouth comes next! Marie Crowell is still having a lot of pain. Vadna Trail has not been as well lately. James Mason has been very sick with sinus problems and respiratory difficulty.

Record of our attendance:						Workers list for November
Date	Classe	s AM	PM	Cont.		Announce: Andy Miller
Wed.						At the Lord's Table (all month)
10/2	24	33	25	\$529	15	Center: Tim Waldron and Cole Gordon
10/9	16	31	22	\$612	25	Sides: T. J. Waldron and Daniel Gordon
10/16	22	31	25	\$614	26	Sunday A.M. Prayers
10/23	22	31	17	\$450	18	Opening Closing
10/30	19	25	20	\$523	21	11/13 Jr. Conner Andy Miller
11/06	25*	30	22	\$485	19	3 rd James Mason Nick Graham
Goals	25	40	30		35	4 th Joe Green T. J. Waldron

Area Wide Singing at Pleasant Knoll on

Nov. 18, 7:00 P.M.

4th Sunday Singing at Mt. View - 2:30

Smile a bit!

Good Health is merely the slowest possible rate at which one can die.

One nice thing about egotists: They don't talk about other people.

The cost of living hasn't affected its popularity.

They told me I was gullible .. and I believed them.

Hidden Books of the Bible

Answer **bold**

I once made a remark about hidden books of the Bible. It was a luluKept people looking SO hard for facts! For others it was a revelation. Some were in a jam, especially since the names were not capitalized, but the truth finally struck home to numbers of readers. To others it was a real job. We want it to be a most fascinating few moments for you. Yes, there will be some really easy ones to spot. Others may require judges to help them. I will quickly admit it usually takes a minister to find one of them, and there will be loud lamentations when it is found. A little lady says she brews a cup of tea, so she can concentrate better. See how well you can compete. Relax, now, for there really are sixteen names of books of the Bible in this story.

Beech Grove Church of Christ

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Schedule of Services

Sunday:

Bible Classes 10 AM Worship 11 AM 6 PM

Wednesday:

Bible Classes 7 PM

Mission Works

Restoration Radio Jim Waldron Manuelito Children's Home

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Visitors

Always Welcome

November 13, 2005

From mercEmail ...

The New Testament of Jesus Christ:

181,253 words 7959 verses 260 chapters 27 books

Did you know an average reader (8 verses a minute) who spends 30 minutes a day can read the entire New Testament through in 30 days? Do that every day and one would read the New Testament through 12 times in a year. Do that for just 10 years and one will have read the New Testament through 120 times!

Our unfamiliarity with the Bible is a witness against us. No larger than what the New Testament is, why haven't we mastered that material? We've been Christians for years, decades even, yet we fumble through the pages unsure of our destination.

You would think that a book, the only book, which gives us directions to Heaven would be consumed and devoured by people wanting to go to Heaven. You would think that such a small amount of material, which directly affects our eternal destiny would be read, studied, analyzed, and mastered.

Friends, there's no excuse. Our ignorance betrays us. We've chosen the world over the Word. But it's not too late. Most who read this message will have another ten years to live. Spend a half hour every day for those next ten years and you will have read the New Testament through 120 times! Think of it! Such little effort put forth for such great results! What awaits you? Just...

<u>27 books</u> <u>260 chapters</u> <u>7959 verses</u> <u>181,253 words</u>

Think About It!



Questions for week of November 13

In this weeks questions you will have to deal with the fact that the Old and New Testaments have different spellings for the names of the same person(s).

- 1. What dead men were seen talking with Jesus?
- **2.** What two named men was Jesus thought (by some) to be?
- **3.** What did Jesus say on the cross that was interpreted wrongly as a cry for Elijah?
- **4.** Elijah was sent to only one of many _ when a famine was in his land.
- **5.** Elisha was sent to heal one _____, when there were many of them in his land.
- **6.** Because Herod heard of the mighty works of Jesus, he thought maybe Jesus was a dead man who had returned. What names went through his mind as he pondered this?
- **7.** According to the apostles, many had identified Jesus incorrectly. Whom did they say he was?

Answers for week of November 6

1. Where were the followers of Christ first called Christians?

Answer: Antioch of Syria (not Pisidia)

Acts 11:26:And when he had found him, he brought him unto Antioch. And it came to pass, that a whole year they assembled themselves with the church, and taught much people. And the disciples were called Christians first in Antioch.

Shortly after the conversion of Cornelius and other Gentiles, the preaching of the gospel was also offered to Greeks in Antioch. The preaching had good effect in converting many to Christ. This is the first primarily Gentile church, and thus many believe that the name Christian was not given in derision (as some have claimed) but was acknowledgment that the followers of Jesus were not children Judaism, but truly a body of believers that extended beyond the narrow bands of Jewish religion. The prophet Isaiah had said:(Isa 62:1-2

KJV) "For Zion's sake will I not hold my peace, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until the righteousness thereof go forth as brightness, and the salvation thereof as a lamp that burneth. {2} And the Gentiles shall see thy righteousness, and all kings thy glory: and thou shalt be called by a new name, which the mouth of the LORD shall name." Is it more than coincidence that the disciples were first called Christians right after the Gentiles began to realize the righteousness of God? I believe so.

2. In what city did Paul lodge with Justus? Answer: Corinth Acts 18:1.7.11(It takes a large

Answer: Corinth Acts 18:1,7,11(It takes a larger context to prove that Paul stayed there)

(Acts 18:1-11 KJV) After these things Paul departed from Athens, and came to Corinth; {2} And found a certain Jew named Aquila, born in Pontus, lately come from Italy, with his wife Priscilla; (because that Claudius had commanded all Jews to depart from Rome:) and came unto them. {3} And because he was of the same craft, he abode with them, and wrought: for by their occupation they were tentmakers. {4} And he reasoned in the synagogue every sabbath, and persuaded the Jews and the Greeks. {5} And when Silas and Timotheus were come from Macedonia, Paul was pressed in the spirit, and testified to the Jews that Jesus was Christ. {6} And when they opposed themselves, and blasphemed, he shook his raiment, and said unto them, Your blood be upon your own heads; I am clean: from henceforth I will go unto the Gentiles. {7} And he departed thence, and entered into a certain man's house, named Justus, one that worshipped God, whose house joined hard to the synagogue. {8} And Crispus, the chief ruler of the synagogue, believed on the Lord with all his house; and many of the Corinthians hearing believed, and were baptized. {9} Then spake the Lord to Paul in the night by a vision, Be not afraid, but speak, and hold not thy peace: {10} For I am with thee, and no man shall set on thee to hurt thee: for I have much people in this city. {11} And he continued there a year and six months, teaching the word of God among them.

3. What was the hometown of Crispus, and what was his position at the time he heard and obeyed the gospel?

Answer: Corinth; chief ruler of the synagogue. Keith Sisman of Ramsey, England put it this way: "Brother Crispus was 'The Chief ruler of the synagogue' as stated in Acts 18:8. As such he was one of the first brethren to start the new work ~ 'The Corinth church of Christ' (hopefully after resigning as 'The Chief ruler of the synagogue'." Acts 18:8 - And Crispus, the chief ruler of the synagogue, believed on the Lord with all his house; and many of the Corinthians hearing believed, and were baptized."

4. Where had Paul cried regularly as he preached for three years, and when he left them the elders were in tears?

Answer: Ephesus- Acts 20:16 For Paul had determined to sail by Ephesus, because he would not spend the time in Asia: for he hasted, if it were possible for him, to be at Jerusalem the day of Pentecost. 17 And from Miletus he sent to Ephesus, and called the elders of the church. . .31 Therefore watch, and remember, that by the space of three years I ceased not to warn every one night and day with tears. . . .36 And when he had thus spoken, he kneeled down, and prayed with them all. 37 And they all wept sore, and fell on Paul's neck, and kissed him

5. At one place the people of the place (and the writer of the account) tearfully begged Paul not to go to the Jerusalem. Where was this, and with whom was Paul staying? (2 parts) Answer: Place - Caesarea. The host - Philip the evangelist.

(Acts 21:8-14) "And the next day we that were of Paul's company departed, and came unto Caesarea: and we entered into the house of Philip the evangelist, which was one of the seven; and abode with him. {9} And the same man had four daughters, virgins, which did prophesy. {10} And as we tarried there many days, there came down from Judaea a certain prophet, named Agabus.

{11} And when he was come unto us, he took Paul's girdle, and bound his own hands and feet, and said, Thus saith the Holy Ghost, So shall the Jews at Jerusalem bind the man that owneth this girdle, and shall deliver him into the hands of the Gentiles. {12} And when we heard these things, both we, and they of that place, besought him not to go up to Jerusalem. {13} Then Paul answered, What mean ye to weep and to break mine heart? for I am ready not to be bound only, but also to die at Jerusalem for the name of the Lord Jesus. {14} And when he would not be persuaded, we ceased, saying, The will of the Lord be done."

6. In what city did a man see Jesus in heaven as he was executed by an angry mob?

Answer: Jerusalem- Acts 7:7 And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied in Jerusalem greatly; and a great company of the priests were obedient to the faith. 8 And Stephen, full of faith and power, did great wonders and miracles among the people. . . . 54 When they heard these things, they were cut to the heart, and they gnashed on him with their teeth. 55 But he, being full of 0the Holy Ghost, looked up stedfastly into heaven, and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing on the right hand of God, 56 And said, Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of man standing on the right hand of God.

7. Christian friends planned for Paul to stay with a mature Christian in Jerusalem after they could not persuade him not to go there. Who was the host and where was he from? Answer: Mnason of Cyprus (Acts 21:16)

Acts 21:15 And after those days we took up our carriages, and went up to Jerusalem.16 There went with us also certain of the disciples of Caesarea, and brought with them one Mnason of Cyprus, an old disciple, with whom we should lodge.