

# *Happy New Year!*



*From the Administrative Bishop Daniel W. Hampton*

## Joyfully Rejoicing in 2018

It seems all of us are asking the question, where did 2017 go? The only answer I can give is: 2017 has gone the way of all the others. Yes, time appears to be moving at supersonic speed and in the busyness of our everyday lives we forget so often to stop and rejoice in the God of our salvation. As we look back over previous years and begin the journey into a new one I want to encourage us to adopt the attitude of a joyful rejoicing spirit in 2018 understanding that the joy of the Lord is our strength.

None of us know what this New Year will bring, but one thing is certain, and that is; nothing will be a surprise to the Lord. I have learned over all the years of my life that God's performance in my past gives me great assurance of His ability to take care of my future. Don't forget that in everything we are to give thanks.

We have chosen the theme **JOYFULLY REJOICING IN 2018**, so in every situation we will make the commitment to rejoice, understanding He is in control and a joyful attitude will produce strength in us to make it through. All through the Word of God we read about Joy. The enemy wants to steal our joy so he can weaken us in spirit and bring defeat. I cannot answer for you, but I have determined to maintain the spirit of joy and exercise my spiritual man with the promises of the Word, which gives me strength to be more than a conqueror. I am asking each of you to join with me in reading the Bible through this year and pay special attention to all the Scriptures which encourage us to rejoice.

As I write this article I am reminded of the song David wrote and gave to Asaph and his fellow Levites as the Ark of God was brought back after 100 years of being misplaced. The Ark represented the presence of God, and now a special place was prepared for it and David danced before the Lord with all his might and rejoiced greatly. Read carefully the following verses found in I Chronicles 16: 1-36 (NLT).

*"1 They brought the Ark of God and placed it inside the special tent David had prepared for it. And they presented burnt offerings and peace offerings to God. 2 When he had finished his sacrifices, David blessed the people in the name of the Lord. 3 Then he gave to every man and woman in all Israel a loaf of bread, a cake of dates,[a] and a cake of raisins. 4 David appointed the following Levites to lead the people in worship before the Ark of the Lord—to invoke his blessings, to give thanks, and to praise the Lord, the God of Israel. 5 Asaph, the leader of this group, sounded the cymbals. Second to him was Zechariah, followed by Jeiel, Shemiramoth, Jehiel, Mattithiah, Eliab, Benaiah, Obed-edom, and Jeiel. They played the harps and lyres. 6 The priests, Benaiah and Jahaziel, played the trumpets regularly before the Ark of God's Covenant. 7 On that day David gave to Asaph and his fellow Levites this song of thanksgiving to the Lord:*

8 Give thanks to the Lord and proclaim His greatness. Let the whole world know what He has done. 9 Sing to Him; yes, sing His praises. Tell everyone about His wonderful deeds. 10 Exult in His holy name; rejoice, you who worship the Lord. 11 Search for the Lord and for His strength; continually seek Him. 12 Remember the wonders He has performed, His miracles, and the rulings He has given 13 you children of His servant Israel, you descendants of Jacob, His chosen ones. 14 He is the Lord our God. His justice is seen throughout the land. 15 Remember His covenant forever - the commitment He made to a thousand generations. 16 This is the covenant He made with Abraham and the oath He swore to Isaac. 17 He confirmed it to Jacob as a decree, and to the people of Israel as a never-ending covenant: 18 "I will give you the land of Canaan as your special possession. 19 He said this when you were few in number, a tiny group of strangers in Canaan. 20 They wandered from nation to nation, from one kingdom to another. 21 Yet He did not let anyone oppress them. He warned kings on their behalf: 22 "Do not touch my chosen people, and do not hurt my prophets. 23 Let the whole earth sing to the Lord! Each day proclaim the good news that He saves. 24 Publish His glorious deeds among the nations. Tell everyone about the amazing things He does. 25 Great is the Lord! He is most worthy of praise! He is to be feared above all gods. 26 The gods of other nations are mere idols, but the Lord made the heavens! 27 Honor and majesty surround Him; strength and joy fill His dwelling. 28 O nations of the world, recognize the Lord, recognize that the Lord is glorious and strong. 29 Give to the Lord the glory He deserves! Bring your offering and come into His presence. Worship the Lord in all His holy splendor. 30 Let all the earth tremble before Him. The world stands firm and cannot be shaken. 31 Let the heavens be glad, and the earth rejoice! Tell all the nations, "The Lord reigns!" 32 Let the sea and everything in it shout His praise! Let the fields and their crops burst out with joy! 33 Let the trees of the forest sing for joy before the Lord, for He is coming to judge the earth. 34 Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good! His faithful love endures forever. 35 Cry out, "Save us, O God of our salvation! Gather and rescue us from among the nations, so we can thank your holy name and rejoice and praise you." 36 Praise the Lord, the God of Israel, who lives from everlasting to everlasting!"



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*Christmas Banquet 2017*  
*A special thank you to the Beckley Dream Center for the beautiful decorations and wonderful food provided for the Minister & Spouse Christmas Banquet.*



*Giving the Gift of Encouragement*

# West Virginia Church of God

## August - October 2017

### Statistics

*Tithe Breakers*

*Top 10 On Campus*

<b>August 2017</b>			
		WSS/Bethesda Temple of Praise	1422
		Delbarton/Regional	639
		New Martinsville	418
		West Logan	309
Laurel Branch, Seth Cline	2400.00	Oak Hill/Mountain View	306
		Princeton	304
		Parsons	279
		Elkins	236
		Stone Branch	211
		Chattaroy	200

*Top 10 Tithes*

*Top 10 Morning Worship*

Princeton	\$109,066.00	Princeton	1648
WSS/Bethesda Temple of Praise	\$56,370.00	WSS/Bethesda Temple of Praise	1172
Beckley/Family Worship Center	\$40,086.00	Delbarton/Regional	354
Huntington/Jefferson Ave	\$37,170.00	Elkins	353
Delbarton/Regional	\$28,390.00	West Logan	325
Beckley	\$24,241.00	Beckley/Family Worship Center	320
Ranson, CrossPoint	\$21,828.00	Huntington/Jefferson Ave	247
Oak Hill/Mountain View	\$21,138.00	Ranson, CrossPoint	240
West Logan	\$19,731.00	Oceana	223
Elkins	\$18,501.00	Oak Hill/Mountain View	192

<i>Church/Pastor</i>	<i>Tithes</i>	<i>On Campus</i>	<i>Off Campus</i>	<i>Worship</i>
Alderson/River of Life, Anthony Michael Carter	5,348.23	47	10	70
Allen Junction, Reba Lockard	N/R	0	0	0
Ansted/Fresh Fountain FWC, Adam West	2,008.65	6	21	14
Antioch, Johnny Goldizen	3,451.00	17	29	31
Artie, Jerry Dale Lawrence	1,643.67	25	9	21
Athens, Stanley Edward Metz	2,338.39	30	0	28
Bayard, Phillip Marcum	7,065.60	51	17	60
Beaver, Fountains of Liberty, Jerryd Clyburn	1,051.50	8	0	18
Beckley, Franklin Sexton	24,240.76	59	7	126
Beckley/Family Worship Center, Ray Kirkland	40,085.61	160	0	320
Blair, Marcella Blake	163.67	16	0	19
Bluewell, Dewayne Houk	2,362.00	35	25	33
Bolt, Bill Harman	11,400.67	52	264	128
Bradley, Brian White	1,228.67	11	0	23
Bradshaw, Brian Patterson	3,273.67	33	19	42
Brenton, Frederick Lee Fischer	3,192.61	39	39	41
Bruno, Roger Frye	6,153.38	133	0	58

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Brushy Run, Bruce Cosner	881.41	23	8	23
Buckhannon, Frank Spears	10,164.90	172	0	102
Burnsville, L.A. Sperrey	1,100.00	10	0	10
Campus, Chelsey Noel Jr	4,838.16	165	73	64
Capels, Kenneth Felts	273.33	17	0	14
Chapmanville, Michael Davis	10,968.01	61	0	48
Charleston/Harvest Time, Jess Inclenrock	N/R	0	0	0
Chattaroy, Michael Bostic	15,543.33	200	713	115
Cherry Tree, William Maynard	N/R	0	0	0
Chesapeake/Abounding Grace, John Simmons	N/R	0	0	0
Clarksburg, Phillip Gross	6,051.28	35	50	44
Coal City, Clarence Lee	4,417.33	22	0	47
Colliers/Promise of Victory, Albert Mitchem	13,055.73	79	29	144
Conklintown, Stephan Webb	3,527.28	0	0	22
Crawley, Vivie Marcum	5,068.00	77	53	77
Cumberland Rd. Church of God, Glenn York	15,322.88	166	32	89
Davis, Mark Dennison	N/R	0	0	0
Davis Creek, Jason Newsome	3,626.81	34	0	40
Delbarton/Regional, D Mitchell Bias	28,390.42	638	347	354
Dorothy, Robby Brown	1,276.67	0	0	9
East Bank, George Ocheltree	N/R	0	0	0
East Fork, Cody Dickerson	1,092.33	0	0	0
East Kermit, Otis Linville	4,429.17	32	14	41
East Lynn, Jody Lucas	5,442.50	113	29	49
Eleanor/New Vision, Leonard May	4,610.87	28	0	25
Elk Garden, John Legeer	893	7	0	7
Elk Lick, John Demorest	2,888.49	16	0	20
Elkins, James Estep	18,501.14	236	538	352
Evans, Benjamin Riggleman	11,479.00	194	0	157
Fairlea/New Covenant Sanctuary, Susan Erskine	3,690.55	27	0	38
Fairmont /Tri-City, Joseph Palmer	1,485.33	15	0	18
Ferrellsburg, Clifford Ellis	4,750.89	82	0	44
Fort Gay, Randy Smith	3,032.50	402	64	66
Franklin, Rob Borrer	3,975.00	0	0	0
Garwood, Ricky Shrewsbury	2,260.80	32	2	42
Gassaway/Mid State, Rodney England	3,429.00	26	36	32
Gatewood, Jesse Smith	4,616.82	26	44	40
Genoa/The Church of New Beginnings, Elmer Mullens	N/R	0	0	0
Ghent, Lucas Luzier	9,058.41	38	0	80
Glen Fork, Darrell Stapleton	2,830.33	44	26	48
Glen Jean/New Beginning, Thomas Fife	3,714.17	47	0	33
Glen White, Jesse Farley	12,675.00	160	0	106
Greenwood, Donald Elam	2,723.00	24	0	21
Halltown, Ollie Baer	2,551.83	20	22	13
Hamlin Praise and Worship Center, Michael France	N/R	0	0	0
Hotchkiss, Billy Belcher	1,404.33	72	0	55
Huntington/10th Avenue, Darrell Buttram	3,690.25	72	10	27
Huntington/Jefferson Ave, Gregory Tomlinson	37,170.21	133	0	246
Hurricane/One Life, Bryan Mathews	4,867.02	0	0	112
Iaeger, Donald Morgan	1,276.89	18	0	6

*Church/Pastor**Tithes**On Campus**Off Campus**Worship*

Inwood/Family Worship Center, David Palmer	8,103.04	60	27	168
Isaban, Ryan Seabolt	1,113.93	32	0	40
Jeffrey	802.5	15	0	15
Job, Todd Rhodes	12,347.76	122	17	78
Justice, Billy Cresong	1,154.67	34	0	16
Kellysville, J. Franklin Adkins	16,665.67	46	0	128
Kenova, J. Rabun Haddock	8,548.13	29	7	30
Keyser, Larry Allen Idleman	7,324.29	20	0	42
Laing, John Cantley	N/R	0	0	0
Lashmeet, Gary Raulerson	3,748.00	63	32	89
Laurel Branch, Seth Cline	1,911.00	13	0	19
Lenore/Living Stone, Kenneth Toler	1,395.60	0	0	7
Lester, Ernest Francis	1,892.00	14	0	14
Liberty, Ronald Hoskinson	1,934.50	27	0	35
Lincoln, Lonnie Wilson	10,602.17	72	0	78
Lost Creek, Ronnie Beeson	1,553.67	12	18	36
Madison, Ronnie Luke	12,777.96	92	28	109
Mallory, Shaun Walker	11,388.95	175	20	141
Man, Donald Lafferty	4,495.93	41	0	47
Marfrance, Drema Kincaid	443.33	0	0	6
Marlinton, Fred Goldizen	2,026.00	10	30	10
Martinsburg/Living Waters, Rick Knight	8,297.92	107	0	94
Matewan, David Smith	2,899.00	82	80	73
Matheny, Jerry Lee Graham	2,266.73	30	0	26
Maybeury, Kenneth Abram	3,482.52	31	1	30
Mill Creek, Phillip Hudson	11,958.91	94	45	61
Milton, Ronnie Lee Marcum	1,316.46	95	1	20
Monclo, Daniel Boyd	1,405.00	0	3	5
Montcalm, Malcolm Riggins	6,954.39	149	63	68
Moorefield, Daryl Dunsmore	15,093.38	115	0	103
Morgantown/Harvest, Kevin Summers	5,637.00	6	3	29
Moundsville/Cornerstone, Ronald Wilfong	7,635.78	34	22	83
Mullens, John Morgan	6,096.83	40	0	40
National, William Page	5,355.00	5	11	30
Naugatuck, Etsel Rose	3,752.26	101	0	65
Neola	1,041.67	7	0	7
New Martinsville, Mick Frye	12,389.68	418	70	118
Northfork, Omar Burns	N/R	0	0	0
Oak Hill/Mountain View, Rudell Bloomfield	21,137.66	306	62	192
Oceana, P. Randall Bowles	9,683.67	128	209	223
Open Arms, Ray Sexton	605	0	0	0
Paden City, Adrian Grant Cowgill	3,018.67	35	0	25
Page, James Elmore	1,234.67	38	15	40
Parkersburg/10th Avenue, Gary Pack	2,273.00	52	0	17
Parkersburg/19th Street, Jimmie Cox	N/R	0	0	0
Parsons, David Snyder	14,859.66	279	112	124
Paw Paw, Larry Shrout	2,818.23	19	0	29
Pennsboro, Paul Cantrell	2,311.50	28	0	33
Petersburg	13,278.40	45	0	84
Peterstown	2,849.00	61	0	56
Philippi, Joe Palmer	2,613.50	24	16	36

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Pie, Randy Williams	6,781.94	54	48	40
Piedmont, Ada Kittle	3,892.67	20	0	22
Pike	1,108.33	52	0	22
Pine Top, James M Means	703.62	17	3	14
Pineville, Norman Gray	3,710.40	0	0	33
Prichard, James Fred Ferguson	1,143.00	51	0	51
Princeton, Ray Hurt	109,066.38	304	242	1,648
Rainelle/Greenbrier Avenue, John Keeling	2,090.60	7	18	42
Ranson, CrossPoint, Harold R Newsome, Jr.	21,827.56	144	0	240
Ravencliff, James Smith	2,362.00	26	0	25
Ravenswood, Lafayette Marcum	4,686.38	46	0	52
Renick, Jason Crabaugh	1,937.67	13	15	22
Rhodell, Gary Eskins	5,285.32	38	0	42
Richwood, Michael Simms	2,456.83	15	9	25
Ridgeview, L.A. Farmer	3,323.55	19	0	41
Robinette, Albert Cline	1,357.33	35	0	20
Romney, Raymond Sterling	N/R	0	0	0
Rum Junction, Leslie Williamson	997.84	14	14	0
Rupert, Aaron Davidson	579.31	15	0	22
Saint George, Carolyn Shreve	479.33	17	8	24
Salem, Richard Gibson	4,976.20	28	0	47
Seth/New Life, Roy Barnette	1,224.67	8	0	25
Shrewsbury, James Pittman	4,796.50	37	77	85
Smithers, Joseph Hubbard	8,408.83	66	0	36
Sophia, Kenneth Clark	5,783.33	24	0	46
St. Albans/Foundations, Christopher Colagrosso	2,166.00	23	0	52
Stone Branch, Jody Bias	6,662.77	211	529	50
Summersville/New Beginnings, Stacy Dingess	10,186.28	47	0	146
Switzer, Harold D McMillen	N/R	0	0	0
Sylvester, Ricky Peters	2,221.25	60	0	26
Trace, Bobby Carter	7,182.83	68	0	94
Union, Michael Smith	5,779.18	0	0	87
Van, Patricia Smith	775.33	14	0	14
Verdunville, Michael Hartwell	9,455.30	135	75	135
Vienna, Wesley Vernatter	1,409.90	57	0	29
WSS/Bethesda Temple of Praise, Chad Edward Dingess	56,370.26	1,422	250	1,172
War, Leroy Richards	2,197.15	20	166	20
Wayne, Toney Cox	3,547.00	54	0	66
Webster Spgs/Compassionate Hope, Ty Farlow	992.5	15	0	18
Weirton/Tri State, Joshua Martin	N/R	0	0	0
Welch, Timothy Akers	3,532.99	11	0	17
West Logan, Scotty Dingess	19,730.96	309	173	325
Weston, Craig Snyder	N/R	0	0	0
Weyanoke, Margaret Holt	3,371.85	24	0	29
Wheeling/Prayer Hill, Fred Ream	4,884.88	120	11	45
Whitby, Kepple Bolen	N/R	0	0	0
Whitman, Richard C McCoy	556.67	7	0	7
Whitmer, James Purnell	2,372.72	23	0	18
Wilcoe, Ronald Felts	1,444.33	34	0	27
Williamson, Earl Coleman	6,146.77	60	31	43
Williamstown, Ronald Blevins	N/R	0	0	0

# Prayer Conference

## "Joyfully Rejoicing in 2018"



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*Monday, January 15th - 7:00 pm*

*Tuesday, January 16th - 10:00 am &*

*Evening Service - 7:00 pm*

## Mark Your Calendar

**January: Scripture – 2 Corinthians 5:15**

1.....New Year's Day - STATE OFFICE CLOSED

15-16.....Prayer Conference - Mountain View Church of God

19-21....."Nexus" Youth Leaders Retreat - New River Ministry Center

**February: Scripture – Psalms 42:1**

2-4.....Premier Winterfest - Ocean City, MD

Sync Retreat - Pigeon Forge, TN

16-18.....Wild West Winterfest - Rapid City, SD

**March: Scripture – Ecclesiastes 3:1**

3.....Youth Rally - West Logan Church of God

9-10.....Smoky Mountain Winterfest

16-17.....Ladies Conference - New River Ranch