

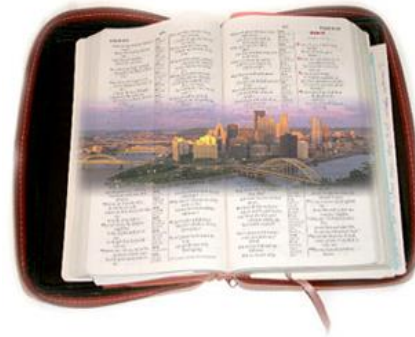
# PLBI NEWS

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# PLBI

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## BIBLE TRIVIA

1. Who wrote the Book of Revelation?
2. Who was known as camel knees because he had rough knees from spending time in prayer?
3. Which disciples were the sons of thunder?

## MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

"The heart of the discerning acquires knowledge; the ears of the wise seek it out." Proverbs 18:15.

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

NEW **Courses** to begin this fall, starting in September 2016. Pay special attention to your choice of class dates. Some of the classes are only 6 weeks in duration while others are a little longer.

You can find out about the other classes being offered this fall by visiting our web page or you can call the Bethany Church office at 412-242-3255. Brochures and registration information can be found at <http://www.bethanybaptist-pgh.org> Click on the Bethany Web address, from there you can click on the PLBI icon to get to our web page. You will also find brochures and registration forms in the church vestibule.

A "Financial Peace" workshop is being offered this semester. See Jeff Angell for details.

## PASTOR'S ARTICLE

### HEAVEN IS A PLACE FREE FROM CORRUPTION

*This present world we live in is filled with corruption from which it is groaning to be delivered (Rom. 8:21-22). This is seen in every area of God's creation. There are natural disasters such as earthquakes, hurricanes, tornados, floods and volcanic eruptions. In the animal world this is seen in the ferociousness of the wild beasts. The thorn in the rose is another example of this curse-laden creation. But the number one evidence of a corrupted creation is mankind who suffers from sin, sickness and diseases of all kinds.*

*In Romans 8:18-25 Paul talks about a future deliverance from the painful things that cause us to groan and suffer in this life. In verse 18 he introduces this passage by saying, "For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us [in Heaven]." What a powerful thought! The suffering we go through in this life will be like a drop of water in the ocean, compared to the glory that will be revealed in us when we get to Heaven. Heaven is a place where glory will be revealed in us. This glory includes deliverance from sin, sorrows, sickness, persecution, suffering and disasters.*

*In another place Paul expanded on this Romans' passage when he wrote, "For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory" (2 Cor. 4:17). This one verse is packed with three powerful truths about "glory" or Heaven. First, our afflictions on this earth are bearable in light of Heaven's perfect environment and the glorious bodies we will receive there. Second, the afflictions on this earth are temporary; the weight of glory is eternal. Third, the suffering "light afflictions" on this earth add to the fulfillment of our Heavenly experience.*

Dr. William R. Glaze



\*Pray for new students fall 2016 semester

## PRAYER AND PRAISE

\* Pray for the gift received from Westinghouse Unique Class of 76

\* Pray for the continuing restructuring of PLBI

\*Pray for a new Chairperson & Vice Chairperson

**Trivia Answers** 1. The Apostle John – Revelation 1:1 2. James, the author of the Book of James and the half-brother of Jesus 3. James and John – Mark 3:17

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