

Weather Record									
Date	5-4	5-5	5-6	5-7	5-8	5-9	5-10		
High	77.7	63.1	65.7	65.8	60	68.2	60.9		
Low	60.2	44.3	38.4	42.8	45.3	46.7	44.7		
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Reporting period for each day runs from midnight to midnight. Statistics from Kentucky Mesonet's Bengal Station.									

# Community gathers for National Day of Prayer

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The 29th Annual National Day of Prayer was observed Thursday at the historic courthouse on the square in downtown Greensburg.

The National Day of Prayer has a long history in our country. In 1952, President Harry Truman signed a bill proclaiming that a national day of prayer shall be declared by each president after him.

In 1988, that was changed, marking the day of prayer as the first Thursday in May of each year.

Debbie Bagby is the newest leader of the Green County National Day of Prayer observance and this year's theme was "Lord, pour out your Love, Life and Liberty."

"I'm honored to take the position," Bagby said.

She follows Bettie Jo Shuffett, Marilyn Sewell and Paula Cox. Cox began the observance in Green County after attending a similar event in Campbellsville.

Nash Johnson and Kali Young opened the prayer time. Johnson led the congregation in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag. Young sang The Star Spangled Banner. Johnson and Young are students at Green County High School.

"We hope to continue involving young people from our community," Bagby said.

Thursday's event involved greetings from local government leaders, lending their support to the observance of prayer across our country.

Green County Judge Executive John Frank commented on the need for continued prayer for our county and for our country.

Greensburg Mayor John Shuffett included comments about how active praying had affected his life.

Michelle Eastham led the congregation in praying for churches



Betty Jo Shuffett expressed appreciation to many people who have supported the local National Day of Prayer before she led the gathering in praying The Lord's Prayer.

and families and our community.

Many churches continue to struggle with the fallout from Covid-19 and the resulting measures to help stop the spread of the disease.

Will Hodges, Superintendent of the Green County School system, prayed for education and businesses in our community and for the success of students and the employees of Green County businesses.

The Rev. Brenson Bishop, who serves as pastor at Greensburg Cumberland Presbyterian Church, led the group in praying for the government and military that seeks to protect and defend the people of our country.

Betty Jo Shuffett, the coordinator for the past several years, led the group of about 75 people, in The Lord's Prayer.

"I was elated," Bagby said, "that all the people I called agreed to participate. Since this was my first year, I didn't really know what to expect but Betty Jo has been so supportive and helpful."



Debbie Bagby, this year's coordinator of the local National Day of Prayer, gave praise to God for the perfect weather on Thursday that allowed a large gathering at the old courthouse.



Photos by Dale Curry

The Rev. Brenson Bishop led the group in praying for government and military. Several local elected officials were on hand for the prayer time.



Will Hodges, Superintendent of Green County Schools, led the group in praying for schools and the safety of everyone involved in the school system.



Michelle Eastham prayed for churches and families that they would be strong in the midst of difficulties.

Other people and businesses involved in this year's program included Mike Mills, Brenda's Florist and Crafts, Gupton-Landrum Florist

and City Hall.

Bagby plans to be the event coordinator again next year in Green County.



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