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Meanwhile, near Waldo, Maw and Paw were sittin' on the porch swing talkin bout the good ol days when maw spots the biggest bird she ever seen!

"Look at the size of that bird, Paw!" she exclaims.

Paw raises up, "Git my gun, Maw."

She runs into the house, brings out his pump shotgun. He takes careful aim.

BANG...BANG.....BANG.....BANG! The monster size bird continues to sail silently over the tree tops.

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"Folks, where are your umbrellas?"

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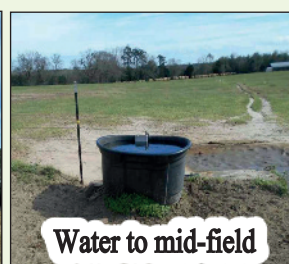
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**The presale price for an armband is \$15.00 which is good for one night, all night of the Fair; this is a \$5.00 savings. These presale armband coupons are available starting September 16<sup>th</sup> ending October 2nd at:**

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**Our fair promoter is again offering a 2 for 1 armband ticket which will be good only for Wednesday night's show October 5th. These tickets will be available from the same businesses as above.**

In addition, this is a County Fair and with that is something for everyone. We have displays of crafts, paintings, baked, canned goods, etc.

For anyone planning on entering items for judging in the Creative Living Section of our Fair should have their items delivered to the Pike County Fairgrounds on Saturday, September 30th, 2015 from 1 to 5 PM and Sunday, October 1st, 2015 from 1 to 5 PM. **No Entries will be accepted after these hours.** Judging will take place October 2nd.

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**I'm asking you all to put these dates of October 4th thru October 8th on your calendar and come out and join us at the Pike County Fair. A good time to be had for all ages.**

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 "Hey, hang on," the guy asks, "why is Divorced Barbie \$265.00 when all the others are only \$19.95?"  
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## BLUEBERRY PIE SQUARES

### Ingredients

#### Crust and Topping

1 ½ cups all purpose flour  
½ cup sugar  
¼ teaspoon salt  
1 ½ stick butter, unsalted, cold,  
sliced thinly



#### Blueberry Filling

2 eggs  
1/3 cup all purpose flour  
1 cup sugar  
8 ounces sour cream  
Pinch of salt  
½ teaspoon vanilla extract  
3 cups blueberries, fresh or thawed frozen blueberries  
ADD: 1 cup finely chopped pecans to cream cheese mixture

### Instructions

Preheat oven to 350 degrees.  
Spray 9x13 glass baking dish with non-stick cooking spray. Set aside.  
In mixing bowl, combine flour, sugar, salt, butter and beat until crumbly. (You can use a fork also to press the butter into flour mixture.)  
Remove 1 cup of flour mixture and set aside. This will go on top of blueberry filling later.  
Press remaining flour mixture into baking dish making a crust. Cover only the bottom. Bake for 15 minutes.  
In large bowl, slightly beat eggs. Add flour, sugar, sour cream, salt and vanilla. Beat on low with electric mixture until blended.  
Fold in blueberries. Pour blueberry mixture over cooked crust. Now topped with 1 cup of flour mixture you had set aside earlier.  
Bake for 1 hour or until top is golden brown.

## Aunt T's Kitchen

### EASY BLUEBERRY CHEESECAKE

#### Ingredients

For the graham cracker crust:  
18 full sheets (2 sleeves) of graham crackers, finely ground (approximately 3 cups)  
½ cup butter, melted  
1/3 cup sugar

#### For the cheesecake:

2 (8 ounce) packages cream cheese, softened  
1 cup confectioners' sugar  
1 (8 ounce) container frozen whipped topping (Cool Whip), thawed  
2 teaspoons vanilla  
1 CUP fine  
1 (21 ounce) can blueberry pie filling



#### Instructions

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F.

#### Crust:

Combine graham cracker crumbs, melted butter, and sugar in a food processor or a mixing bowl until well combined. Transfer to a 13" x 9" baking dish and press down firmly to form crust. Bake until edges are golden brown, 10 to 12 minutes. Set aside to cool completely before filling.

#### Cheesecake:

Use an electric mixer to beat together the cream cheese, sugar and vanilla. Use a spoon to fold in the whipped topping and mix until well combined. Carefully spread cheesecake mixture over prepared crust. Spoon blueberry topping on top of filling, spreading out evenly. Cover and refrigerate for several hours or overnight. Slice into squares and serve.

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# BLUEBERRIES

## EASY BLUEBERRY CRUNCH DUMP CAKE

### Ingredients

1 tablespoon butter melted  
11 ounces blueberries  
3/4 cup sugar  
1 ounce can crushed pineapple 20, undrained  
1 box yellow cake mix  
1 cup chopped pecans  
1 cup stick butter 1/2, melted  
Optional: whipped cream or vanilla ice cream for serving



### Instructions

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Grease a 13x9" baking dish. In a bowl, combine blueberries with 1 tablespoon melted butter. Sprinkle with sugar and gently coat blueberries with the sugar. Pour pineapple into the bottom of the baking dish evenly. Sprinkle blueberries and sugar evenly over pineapple. Sprinkle dry yellow cake mix evenly on top of blueberries. Drizzle melted stick of butter on top of cake mix. Sprinkle pecans on top of cake mix/butter. Bake at 350 degrees for 45-55 minutes or until top is browned.

## EASY BLUEBERRY COBLER

### Ingredients

1/2 cup butter  
1 cup self-rising flour  
1 cup white sugar  
1 cup milk  
4 cups fresh blueberries



### Directions

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F (175 degrees C). Place butter in an 8-inch square baking dish. Melt butter in the preheating oven, about 5 minutes. Remove from oven. Mix flour, sugar, and milk in a bowl until combined; pour batter over melted butter. Scatter blueberries over batter. Bake in preheated oven until a toothpick inserted into the center comes out clean, about 1 hour.

## BANANA BLUEBERRY PIE

### Ingredients

1 package (8 ounces) cream cheese, softened  
3/4 cup sugar  
2 cups whipped topping  
4 medium firm bananas, sliced  
2 pastry shells (9 inches), baked  
1 can (21 ounces) blueberry pie filling  
Fresh blueberries and mint and additional sliced bananas, optional



### Directions

1. In a bowl, beat cream cheese and sugar until smooth. Fold in whipped topping and bananas. Pour into pastry shells. Spread with pie filling. Refrigerate for at least 30 minutes. Just before serving, garnish with blueberries, mint and bananas if desired.  
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	1		9	6			
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Level: Beginner



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- 1. Use good posture** Sit with your shoulders back and chest out and bring your hands up to view your device. If you must look down, tuck your chin rather than dropping your head forward.
- 2. Avoid using in sunlight** Straining to see your screen leads to straining the muscles of the neck and shoulders. Use your device in a shaded area or indoors.
- 3. Set time limits** Try setting a timer on the device to remind you how much time you have been on it. Every 15-20 minutes you should take a

short break. Move the head around in a comfortable range during the break. Also, you should change positions once you resume using your device.

- 4. Try positioning aides** Tablet holders help prop up the screen to a more comfortable and safer position.
- 5. Stop when you feel discomfort or pain** Pain in your neck, between the shoulder blades, frequent headaches or numbness/tingling into the arms can mean a more serious problem. Dr. Massey can help you address this and evaluate the neck and shoulders for any problems.

In today's technology world, we can become so dependent on our devices we end up creating more of a problem than the ones they solve. Using them safely and for shorter amounts of time is important to your health. If you need help addressing your pain or posture, Dr. Massey is always there to help!

*Dr. Massey is a board certified Doctor of Chiropractic who hails from the prestigious Palmer College of Chiropractic in Davenport, Iowa, where she graduated with highest honors. Her passion is helping individuals and families reach their health goals and teaching others how to live healthy, drug-free lives. She joined Pain Relief Chiropractic in July 2015 and has enjoyed serving the Ozark community.*

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"Good," my dad quickly replied. "Wash it again!"

**D**ad I think the Smiths next door are angry at us."  
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An ungrateful man (woman) is like a hog eating apples under a tree- never looking up to see where they come from.

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**GIVE US THIS DAY OUR DAILY BREAD**

**Wallace Kennedy, Jr.**

And it came to pass, that, as Jesus was praying in a certain place, when He ceased, one of His disciples said unto Him, Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples. Luke 11:1



Jesus said in verse three: Give us day by day our daily bread! Day by day; that is, "Give us each day the bread which our bodies require, as they call for it:" NOT, "Give us this day bread for many days to come;" but as the Israelites had manna, "Let us have bread to-day for to-day, and to-morrow for to-morrow;" for thus we may be kept in a continual dependence upon God, as children upon their parents. We may have our mercies fresh from his hand daily and that we may find ourselves under fresh obligations to do the work of every day in the day, according as the duty of the day requires. We have from God the supplies of every day in the day, according as the necessity of the day requires.

John 6:33-35 For the bread of God is he which cometh down from heaven, and giveth life unto the world. Then said they unto him, Lord, evermore give us this bread. And Jesus said unto them, I am the bread of life: he that cometh to Me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on me shall never thirst.

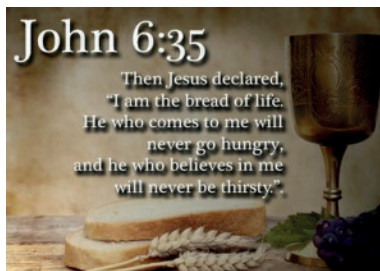
Most of us consume numerous meals in a day, maybe even some snacks in between. If it takes this much food on a daily basis to sustain our bodies, how much of the Word God would be helpful for our soul and spirit? We are "spirit" we have a "soul" and we live in a "body" (1 Thessalonians 5:23). If one of these lacks nourishment, nutrition, and substance to sustain itself, it will affect the other two.


If Sunday and maybe mid-week Bible study is the only time that we are feeding our soul and spirit, then how can our flesh/body be stronger and have a greater influence in our daily life?


Not only do we need daily food for our body, but most "importantly" we need the Word of God.

God's greatest communication to us is through His Word. A personal relationship that only communicate on Sunday and maybe Wednesday, will be malnourished. What is needful every day, is a Word from God. God's Word is our spiritual food to help us live out each day in the images and likeness of our Creator.


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Darryl Patton, well known expert on medicinal plants and one of the presenters at the AMGA Conference, came to Ozark the following weekend to lead a walkabout tour to discover survival skills

using local healthful wild plants.

### Upcoming June events:

**June 14th—Lunch and Learn** on how to choose, improve and maintain Home Lawns by Thomas Agee, from **12 noon to 1 PM at the Dale County Extension Office**, 202 South Hwy 123, Ozark. Bring your lunch, drinks will be provided.

**June 21st - Salsa Garden Workshop.** This workshop is “*All About Salsa*”. If you want to learn how to make and can your own salsa, this workshop is for you! Bridgette Brannon and Lucy Edwards will be teaching the workshop at the Dale County Extension office from **1 to 3 PM**. Please call at [334-774-2329](tel:334-774-2329) to register and for more information. The cost for the workshop is \$5.00.

**June 22nd - Fact or Fiction? The truth behind GMOs and other myths**

GMO, Genetically Engineered, Bio Technology- What Does it All Mean? Come join Alabama Extension professionals, researchers, and specialists from Auburn University and Alabama A&M University as we uncover the truth with non-biased & research based information.

**Thursday, June 22nd at 6 p.m.**

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For more information or to register, contact Charlotte Countryman at the Wiregrass Research and Extension Center at [334-693-2010](tel:334-693-2010).

The next CMGA meeting will be held at Hoppergrass Restaurant, 129 East Ave. in Ozark, at 11 AM on June 15th. An Auburn University Horticultural graduate will be present “*All About Roses*”, how to prune and care for various types of roses.



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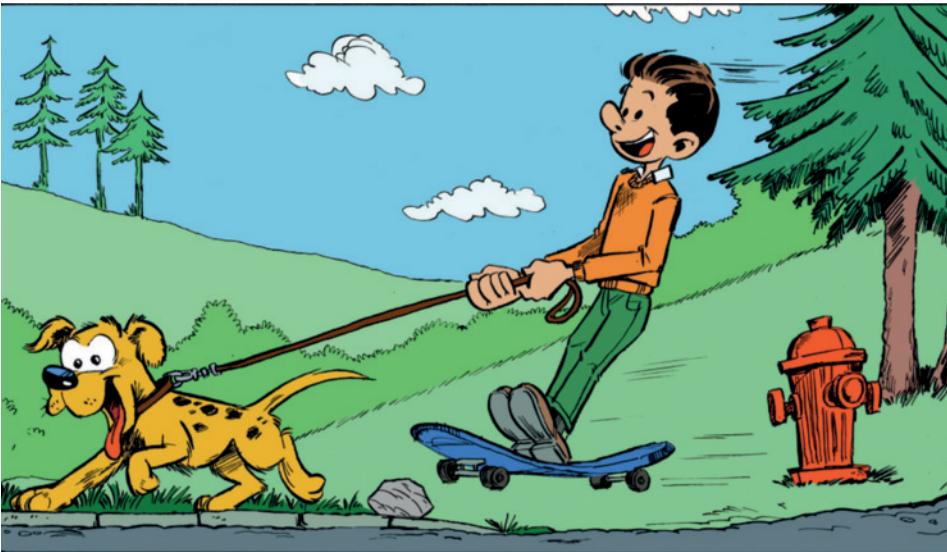
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# Bamboozable Answers

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|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Low Back Pain           | 1. He's bigger than life |
| 2. Shaking All Over        | 2. Little did I no       |
| 3. Short End of the Stick  | 3. Count your blessings  |
| 4. Head Over Heels in Love | 4. I'm in trouble        |
| 5. Count Down              | 5. Don't bet on it       |
| 6. Apple Turnover          | 6. Hand it over          |

**Don't promise when you're happy.  
Don't reply when you're angry and  
Don't decide when you're sad.**

**FIND 10 DIFFERENCES IN THE TWO PICTURES ...SOLUTION ON PAGE 30**



**Why do scientists call it "re"search when looking for something new?**

**I**n 1997 at the age of 87 and not acquainted with modern technology, Ruth was given a "cordless" phone by her son. He lived 1500 miles away. After setting it up and showing her how to use it he went home and called her. "How is your new phone working, Mom." Her reply astonished him. "Oh we took it back. It wouldn't work. It did not even have a cord."

**A** salesman was trying to talk a farmer into buying a bicycle, but he was meeting with considerable sales resistance. "Shucks, I'd sooner spend my money on a cow," said the farmer. "Ah," replied the salesman, "but think how silly you'd look riding around on a cow." "Humph!" retorted the farmer. "Not nearly as silly as I'd look trying to milk a bicycle!"

**C**harlie was playing with his little brother Mickey when the little boy asked whether he could fly like Superman. "Sure you can, Mickey," Charlie said. "Just flap your arms really hard." So Mickey climbed up on the windowsill, started flapping like mad, jumped, then smashed into the ground just a few inches below. Horrified, their mother came screaming into the room and said, "What happened?" Charlie said, "I was just teaching Mickey not to believe everything he's told."

**G**rade school children were asked the question, "Why did your mom marry your dad?" These are some responses:

1. She got too old to do anything else with him.
2. My grandma says that mom didn't have her thinking cap on.



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"Mrs. Smith, do you realize these are BIRTH CONTROL pills?"

"Yes, they help me sleep at night."

"Mrs. Smith, I assure you there is absolutely NOTHING in these that could possibly help you sleep!"

She reached out and patted the young Doctor's knee.

"Yes, dear, I know that. But every morning, I grind one up and mix it in the glass of orange juice that my 16 year old granddaughter

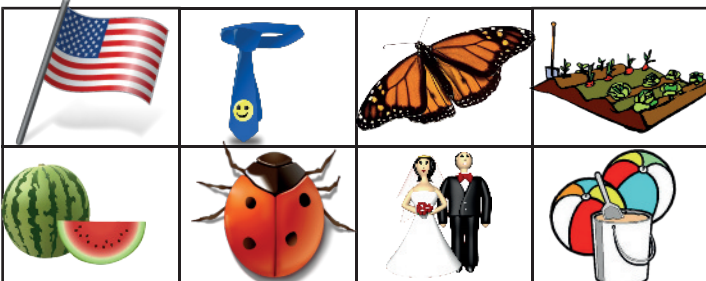
drinks, And believe me, it helps me sleep at night." You gotta love Grandmas

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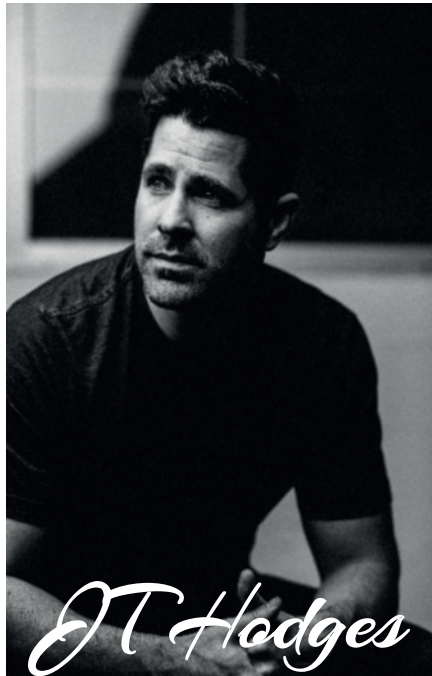




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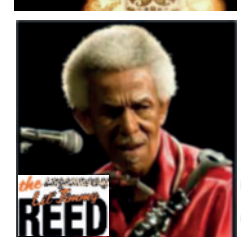
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