

# Can You Spell “Bewusstseinslage”?

By David Bragg

At the end of May 2018, 515 young people (ages 8 to 15) gathered for the 2018 Scripps National Spelling Bee.

On the last day the field had narrowed to only two contestants: Naysa Modi (12) and Karthik Nemmani (14), both from Texas.

Naysa was given the word “bewusstseinslage,” which she misspelled (it is a technical term from the field of psychology for "conscious mental states which cannot be associated with specific sensations or images; psychologydictionary.org).

Up next was Karthik Nemmani who correctly spelled the word given to him, the word that led to his being crowned the 2018 Spelling Bee champion, the word "koinonia" ([www.usatoday.com](http://www.usatoday.com)).

Many are the benefits derived from faithful and consistent attendance to our Bible classes and worship. Chief among them is the opportunity for meaningful fellowship.

If the word “faithful” describes your attendance, you will probably recognize the word koinonia, it is the Greek word regularly translated as "fellowship" in the New Testament.

Not only was "koinonia" the winning word for Karthik Nemmani in 2018, it's a winning word for Christians every year. Fellowship will make you a stronger, more faithful Christian. It will help you to win the greatest competition the world has ever known; the spiritual battle for your soul.

1John 1:6 *If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. 7 But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.*



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## WELCOME!

<u>Sunday</u>	Bible Class- 9:30 a.m. Worship- 10:30 a.m.
<u>Tuesday</u>	Ladies Bible Study- 10:00 a.m.
<u>Wednesday</u>	Bible Study-6:30 p.m.

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**All the churches of Christ greet you.**

Romans 16:16

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**Today's Sermon: [Free Will Comes at A Terrible Price](#)**

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**Scripture: Genesis 4:1-7**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS / UPCOMING EVENTS...

- **Wednesday Evening Bible Class:** January 8<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm. Paul will continue our new powerful study of Colossians.
- **Next Potluck:** January 19<sup>th</sup>.
- **Next Regional Singing: March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2020**
- **Sojourners-** July 27<sup>th</sup>- August 6<sup>th</sup>



### NEWS

- December 29<sup>th</sup> Regional 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Singing which was scheduled @ Endwell was not canceled as previously reported. There was a small turnout, but those of us who attended were greatly edified.
- **Paul** is preaching in Kittanning today. Dawn is with him.
- You are all invited to join with us in **reading the Bible through in a year**. If you have a tablet or phone, you can follow using the You Version App, and it's the **Old and New Testament Plan**, starting Wednesday, January 1<sup>st</sup>. If you like, you can click to have it read to you, and you can choose the version of the Bible that you prefer. See Arthur to get started. If you prefer to use a hard copy of the Bible, the **daily reading schedule will be provided** on paper every few weeks.
- **Sandy and Arthur are pleased to announce that their youngest son, Kevan, became engaged to his girlfriend, Sara, last week. There will be a wedding this year!**

## PRAYERS

- **Please pray for Arthur and Paul**, as they are deciding how to divide up the ministry work and secure support income for Paul.
- **Please pray for Bob Elsbree, Doug's father**. He has had a few transfusions following surgery last week.
- Pray for **Todd** as he is working out his relationship with Michelle, his fiancée in the Philippines.
- Pray for **Ted** as he will soon have surgery on his Eustachian tubes to restore his hearing.
- **Chris Henson and Devon Wolcott's 3-month-old baby son, Jace**, has suffered brain damage from oxygen deprivation and is undergoing rehabilitation in Rochester. Pray for the family and for Jace's healing. They have shown interest in the church, as has Chris' mother.
- Pray for **Andrea Lentz**, who has lung cancer.
- **Please pray for Mark Elsbree, Doug's brother**, who needs a kidney donor. **Pray for his son and daughter, who are possible matches for him.**
- **Pray for Lori Kashorek**, who has lung cancer.
- **Pray for Erin Beiber**, who has metastatic breast cancer. **Continue to pray that she can learn and grow in the Lord as a new babe in Christ.**
- **Pray for Larry Krause**, minister at Kittanning, who has prostate cancer and recently had surgery.
- **Pat Guthrie** from Kittanning was told that he has a possible recurrence of lung cancer following his all clear last summer.

If you have any PRAYERS or NEWS that you would like included in the bulletin, please contact Sandy at [barnecat7237@gmail.com](mailto:barnecat7237@gmail.com) or text or call (607) 261-0911.