

## Sunday Sermon

**AM - Ken Ross Speaking - 1 Peter 5:7**

**PM - Ken Ross Speaking**



## South Jackson Beacon

"I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life."

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### South Jackson Events

#### Today

Pot Luck Dinner after morning services

#### Feb 7th

Forest Cove Devo - 2:30 p.m.

#### Feb 14th

Youth Devo

#### Feb 20th

Ladies Day at South Jackson

Registration 8:30 a.m.

Speaker: Becky Gardner

#### Feb 21st

Men's Business Meeting - 3:30 p.m.

### Those Privileged to Serve

#### Jan 31st - MORNING WORSHIP

**6 A.M.** Eddie Anderson, John Smith

**Announcements:** Marion Thomas

**Lead Singing:** Ray Pack

**Read Scripture:** Charlie Richardson

**Opening Prayer:** Mike Wages

**Sermon:** Ken Ross

**Closing Prayer:** James Eddleman

#### Communion:

B. Richardson, Q. Green, P. Hatcher

L. Farough, B. Landers, S. Lewis

**Greeters:** Glenn & Regina Phifer

**Nursery Att:** **A.M.** Carlet James

**P.M.** Panda Green

#### Jan 31st - EVENING WORSHIP

**Lead Singing:** John Smith

**Opening Prayer:** Quantum Green

**Sermon:** Ken Ross

**Closing Prayer:** Jonathan Orr

#### Communion:

Ray Pack, Gaylon Cooper

#### Feb 3rd - WED BIBLE STUDY

**Lead Singing:** John Smith

**Opening Prayer:** Billy Landers

**Invitation:** Les Farough

**Closing Prayer:** Alex Farough



**Pantry Item - Canned Peaches**

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# ~News and Notes~

## Weekly Record

6 a.m. Worship	9
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Sunday Morning Worship	118
Sunday Evening Worship	80
Wed. Bible Study	95

## PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE:

**Lisa Dukes** had surgery last week and is now at home. Cards would be appreciated.

**Members:** Ron & Nadine McDonald, Iva Hopper, Teresa Yearwood, Mary Bolen, Ted Lingren, Inez Rigsby, Helen Avent, Freddie Stewart, and Carleton & Cindy Kidder

**Friends & Family:** Leon Morton (Mary Lewis' brother), Jean Goad (Gowan's neighbor)

## February Birthdays

(If you going to send card, you should keep this bulletin)

**3** - Rendell Martin, **4** - Jase James, **5** - Betty Cooper, **7** - Inez Rigsby, **8** - Paula Wadley, **11** - Stephanie Pack, **12** - Sonny Graves, **14** - Faye Venable, Tamika Williamson, **16** - Jayden Boyd (Swader's grandson), Lana Ghimpu, **26** - Kamdyn James-Womack, Becca Rhea, **28** - Doris Davis, Carleton Kidder, Horace Yearwood

## February Anniversaries

**8** - James & Jeanette Morris, **19** - Tom & Doris Crow, **22** - Eddie & Teriyaki Anderson, **29** - Bobby & Jorita Richardson

## New Phone Number

Ted Lingren 731-879-0708

## Those Privileged to Serve

### Feb 7th - MORNING WORSHIP

**6 A.M.** Bobby Richardson, Seth Newell

**Announcements:** Jonathan Orr

**Lead Singing:** John Smith

**Read Scripture:** Paul Hatcher

**Opening Prayer:** Joe Venable

**Sermon:** Ray Pack

**Closing Prayer:** Ken Ross

### Communion:

F. Kidder, Q. Green, K. Wadley, M. Thomas, H. Davis, G. Phifer

**Greeters:** Bobby & Jorita Richardson

**Nursery Att:** **A.M.** Debi Helton

**P.M.** Sandra Jordan

### Feb 7th - EVENING WORSHIP

**Lead Singing:** Chip Thomas

**Opening Prayer:** Freeman Kidder

**Sermon:** Ray Pack

**Closing Prayer:** Walter Ferguson

### Communion:

Les Farough, Alex Farough

### Feb 10th- WED BIBLE STUDY

**Lead Singing:** Paul Hatcher

**Opening Prayer:** Joseph Johnson

**Invitation:** Ray Pack

**Closing Prayer:** Ken Ross

## Change of Address

Sandra Jordan & Rachel Epperson  
37 Southside Dr. 38301

Virginia Grimes  
127 Outlook Ridge,  
Beech Bluff, TN 38313.

## *That Would Never Happen, Would It?* Steve Higginbotham

Tom swallowed hard, mustered all his courage and confidently said, "Sarah, I knew from the first time we met that I wanted to spend the rest of my life with you. Will you marry me?" Immediately following these words, Tom opened a ring box displaying a beautiful diamond ring. For a moment, Sarah's breath was taken from her, then with teary eyes, she excitedly said, "Yes! Of course I'll marry you!"



Sarah looked at the beautiful diamond ring that Tom placed on her finger and could hardly believe it was hers.

As the evening progressed, Tom and Sarah talked about their future together. It was a perfect evening. Then before Tom took Sarah home, he asked her if she wanted to go shopping with him for a wedding dress the next day. Sarah thought for a moment and said, "As much as I would like to, I just can't. You see, I have a date with Bob tomorrow." "What?!", Tom questioned. "You can't go on a date with Bob; we're engaged to be married!" "Whoa, whoa, wait just a minute, Tom," said Sarah. "I agreed to marry you and all, but you don't run my life. Just because we're engaged doesn't mean you have the right to tell me what I can and cannot do and who I can and cannot see. Listen, I'll wear your ring, but don't tell me what to do."

Ridiculous, isn't it? This would never happen...or would it? Actually, I'm afraid it happens all too often; Not among young men and women who desire to get married, (they have better sense than this), but among people who want a relationship with Jesus.

Many people are overjoyed by the salvation Jesus offers them. Excitedly they accept his offer of forgiveness, but then have the nerve to tell him he has no claim on their lives. They expect him to leave them alone to do the same things they used to do and see the same people they used to see. They want to "wear the ring," but they don't want the commitment.

You tell me, do you think this would be a workable arrangement? Do you think a man would be engaged to a woman and with his permission, allow her to continue dating others? If not, do you think it would be any different with regard to one's relationship with Jesus?