

Sunday Sermon's

AM - CYC Report - Ken Ross - Mike Wages - Quantum Green

PM - Seth Newel 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

Today

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

May 21st

70 Years Anniversary Celebration

for Bill and Gladys Gowan At Chickasaw State Park, Pavillion by the Lake, 1:00 pm.

VBS - June 20th - 23rd

Area Events

May 21st

Ladies Day at East Jackson
Breakfast/Brunch
Registration 8:30

June 15th - 17th

VBS at North Jackson
6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Adult Class: Alan Highers

Pantry Item this week

Canned Whole Kernel Corn

Those Privileged to Serve

May 15th MORNING WORSHIP

6 A.M. Les Farough

Announcements: Jonathan Orr

Lead Singing: Mike Wages

Read Scripture: Costel Ghimpu

Opening Prayer: Gaylon Cooper

Sermon: CYC Report

Invitation: Quantum Green

Closing Prayer: Chip Thomas

Communion:

E. Anderson, L. Merritt, Q. Green
K. Ross, C. Richardson, M. James

Greet: Melissa Phifer, Alexis Cottner

Nursery Att: **A.M.** Tianna Richardson

P.M. Celeste Rose

May 15th - EVENING WORSHIP

Lead Singing: Les Farough

Opening Prayer: Ken Ross

Sermon: Seth Newell

Closing Prayer: Bobby Richardson

Communion:

Les Farough, Alex Farough

May 18th - WED BIBLE STUDY

Lead Singing: Les Farough

Opening Prayer: Freeman Kidder

Invitation: Ken Ross

Closing Prayer: Walter Ferguson

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~News and Notes~

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE:

Betty Landers fell and broke her arm, but is doing ok.

Loretta Stanfill, mother of Sandy Williams, is still in Transitional Care, room A203.

Members: Ron and Nadine McDonald, Teresa Yearwood, Ted Lingren, Fredie Stewart, and Cindy Kidder

Friends & Family: Horace Yearwood

Send your cards this week to:

Gwen Smith
495 Medon-Melesus Rd.
Medon, TN 38356

Betty Landers
125 Pope Rd.
Medon, TN 38356

Also:

Get well cards would be appreciated for this mom and dad of a missionary to the Philippines. They were seriously hurt in a motorcycle vs. automobile head on collision.

Jeff and Marcy Cherry
C/o Mission Hospital
509 Biltmore Avenue
Asheville, NC 28801



Congratulations H. S. Graduates!

Quantum Green (son of Kenny and Panda Green)

Kaylee Parr (daughter of Jeff and Misty Cogdell)

Kaitlyn Wilbanks (granddaughter of Luther and Jo Merritt who use to attend here.)

Those Privileged to Serve

May 22nd MORNING WORSHIP 6 A.M. Joe Venable, Mike Wages

Announcements: Jonathan Orr

Lead Singing: Mike Wages

Read Scripture: Carleton Kidder

Opening Prayer: Joseph Johnson

Sermon: Chip Thomas

Closing Prayer: James Eddleman

Communion:

E. Anderson, L. Merritt, Q. Green
K. Ross, C. Richardson, M. James

Greet: M/M Bobby Richardson

Nursery Att: **A.M.** Kim Ross
P.M. Bonita Staggs

May 22nd - EVENING WORSHIP

Lead Singing: John Smith

Opening Prayer: Freeman Kidder

Sermon: Chip Thomas

Closing Prayer: Quantum Green

Communion:

Les Farough, Alex Farough

May 25th - WED BIBLE STUDY

Lead Singing: Seth Newell

Opening Prayer: Joseph Johnson

Invitation: Les Farough

Closing Prayer: Ray Pack

Weekly Record

6 a.m. Worship	6
Sun. Morning Bible Study	93
Sunday Morning Worship	173
Sunday Evening Worship	112
Wed. Bible Study	84
Contribution	\$4846

The Boll Weevil Blues

The Boll Weevil is an insect that strikes fear into the heart of cotton farmers. It is a pest that attacks cotton plants and can quickly kill whole fields. It devastates a farmer financially. In fact since the boll weevil entered the United States, it has cost U.S. cotton producers about \$13 billion, and in recent times about \$300 million per year. In some parts of the United States in the early 1900's the boll weevil infestation was so bad farmers couldn't grow cotton crops for years.



Knowing all this you might be shocked to learn that there is a monument to the Boll Weevil in Enterprise, Alabama. It was erected by the citizens of Enterprise in 1919 to show their appreciation to the boll weevil, for its profound influence on the area's agriculture and economy. In the early 1910's the boll weevil decimated the cotton crops of Alabama and farmers were going bankrupt. In 1916 H. M. Sessions saw this as an opportunity to convert the area to peanut farming, and he convinced the first farmer C. W. Baston, a deeply in debt farmer, to plant his peanuts. The first crop paid off his debts and was bought by farmers seeking to change to peanut farming. The Boll Weevil is referred to in Enterprise, Alabama as a "herald of prosperity," because after this bug infestation the farmers of the town made MORE money planting peanuts (and rotating in cotton) than they had planting cotton alone. This is the PERFECT example that not everything bad that happens to you is a bad thing. The Boll Weevil could have (really should have) destroyed the farmers in this small Alabama town, but it didn't.

Christians are faced with difficult circumstances every day, and a lot of times we think of them as negative but they don't have to be. We serve a powerful God who can turn that bad into our good. Romans 8:28 says, "And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose." If we are Christians, then God works out all the bad things of this world for our good. It's important to understand that this passage doesn't teach that God causes everything to happen for a reason, BUT that when bad things happen God is in control. We often repeat the line "everything happens for a reason" and then we imply that God is the reason, but in reality sometimes the reason is sin, bad choices, or something other than God. For the Christian, no matter what happens, God is powerful enough to work it out for your benefit.

Next time you are faced with hardship just remember there will be a time in the future you look back on that hardship and are thankful! You may even make a statue to celebrate.

*Kurt Montooth
Elizabethtown, Ky*