



South Jackson Beacon

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Those Privileged to Serve

July 9th - MORNING WORSHIP

6 A.M. R. Pack, G. Cooper

Announcements: Jeff Lewis

Lead Singing: John Smith

Read Scripture: Eddie Anderson

Opening Prayer: Ken Ross

Sermon: Ray Pack

Closing Prayer: Marion Thomas

Communion:

J. Eddleman, C. Richardson, T. Williams
B. Richardson, M. Thomas, J. Cogdell

Greet: Ken & Paula Wadley

Nursery Att: A.M. Panda Green

P.M. Nijerika Green

July 9th - EVENING WORSHIP

Lead Singing: Marion Thomas

Opening Prayer: Mike Wages

Sermon: Ray Pack

Closing Prayer: Gaylon Cooper

Communion:

F. Kidder, C. Kidder

July 12th - WED BIBLE STUDY

Lead Singing: Marion Thomas

Opening Prayer: Darrell Cunningham

Devotional: Walt Ferguson

Closing Prayer: Joe Venable

July 16th - MORNING WORSHIP

6 A.M. B. Richardson, M. Wages

Announcements: Jeff Lewis

Lead Singing: Mike Wages

Read Scripture: Walt Ferguson

Opening Prayer: Joe Venable

Sermon: Ray Pack

Closing Prayer: Darrell Cunningham

Communion:

J. Eddleman, C. Richardson, T. Williams
B. Richardson, M. Thomas, J. Cogdell

Greet: Reba Donaldson, Lana Ghimpu

Nursery Att: A.M. Kim Ross

P.M. Destinee Ross

July 16th - EVENING WORSHIP

Lead Singing: Jeff Lewis

Opening Prayer: Joseph Johnson

Sermon: Ray Pack

Closing Prayer: Mike Wages

Communion:

F. Kidder, C. Kidder

July 19th - WED BIBLE STUDY

Lead Singing: Jeff Lewis

Opening Prayer: Freeman Kidder

Devotional: Ray Pack

Closing Prayer: James Eddleman

Weekly Record

6 AM Worship	14
Sun. Morning Bible Study	72
Sunday Morning Worship	116
Sunday Evening Worship	83
Wed. Bible Study	66
Contribution	\$ 4593

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Grace, Grace, Wonderful Grace

Grace is one of the distinctive features of the religion of the LORD (YHWH). In the OT this religion eventually became Judaism. In the NT we know of this religion as Christianity. No other system of religious thought, past or present, contains an emphasis on divine grace comparable to that of the religion of the Bible based in YHWH.

As a general definition, the doctrine of grace pertains to God's activity rather than to his nature. Although God is gracious, this trait of his nature is revealed only in relation to creation and redemption. In other words, grace is to be understood in terms of a dynamic action or expression of the Deity rather than as a static attribute of God's nature. Grace is the dimension of divine activity that enables God to confront human indifference and rebellion with an inexhaustible capacity to forgive and to bless. God is gracious in action.

The doctrine of divine grace underlies the thought of both OT and NT. While the OT definitely conveys God's grace (The Fall and Noah Gen. 6:8 are just two examples of many) the OT also anticipates and prepares for the full expression of grace that becomes manifest in the NT.

Three Hebrew words are used to express this concept. C?en often designates the favor the strong bestow on the weak. The related verb c?anan "be gracious" designates the action of unmerited favor toward another in the context of need. It presupposes love (cf. Deut. 7:7-8) but cannot be presumed (Exod. 33:19). C?ese? further enlarges the Old Testament understanding of grace. God not only grants periodic favor but continues in a gracious relationship with his people.

Between people, c?ese? denotes a committed loyalty created by acts of kindness or by covenant. God's c?ese?, however, flows from his love, not from obligation.

The New Testament word for grace, Gk. ch?aris, is related to the verb cha?iro "rejoice." This broad meaning is reflected in the use of "favor" in Luke and Acts (e.g., Luke 1:30; 2:40; Acts 7:10). The Gospels rarely use the word "grace," although its concept is found throughout the life and teaching of Jesus. God demonstrates grace by sending Jesus to the cross for human sin and then by the resurrection. According to Paul, God's grace is inseparable from his love expressed in Jesus Christ (Rom. 1:7; 1 Cor. 1:3).

My sermon last Sunday was entitled "The Wonderful Grace of Jesus." In the time I spoke, I felt it impossible to cover this grand topic. I decided to write some additional thoughts today. Again, even as I complete this article, there is so much more that could be and has been penned.

*John F. Board
Elizabethtown, KY*



Sunday Sermons

AM - Making Heaven Real - Colossians 3:1-4
PM - Hey, I Know Him - Mark 6:3

Congregational News and Notes

Prayer Requested

Members

Harold and Doris Davis,
Ron and Nadine McDonald,
Jean Harber, Rachel Epperson,
Ted Lingren, Billy Landers,
Fredie Stewart, Cindy Kidder,
Iva Hopper, Tom Crow,
Bill and Gladys Gowan,
Freeman Kidder, Doug Crouse,
Shirley Puckett, Margie Montgomery,
Margie Whitehead, Sandra Jordan,
Andy Vaughn, Betty Cooper,
Helen Avent, Louise Buck,
Gwen Smith

Friends & Family:

Horace Yearwood, Tim Boyd,
Al Stewart, Ruth Cox,
Judy Jennings, Raymond Cagle,
Beverly Martindale, Rosie Love,
Bethany Tims

Cards to Send This Week

Iva Hopper
82 Will McKnight Drive
Jackson, TN 38301

Shirley Puckett
78 Independence Lane
Jackson, TN 38305

Sympathy Extended

We extend our deepest sympathy to Betty Mosely on the passing of her sister, Mary Elizabeth Gonzales. She pased away on Thursday. Arrangements unknown at time of printing.

Happenings

South Jackson

7/23

Forrest Cove Devotional at 2:30 PM

Area Events

Numerous area events are posted on the bulletin board.

Pantry Item

Canned Pinto Beans

Phone Tree

To keep everyone informed of deaths, illnesses, events and other critical information, we would like to begin a phone tree. If you are interested in participating in the phone tree, please sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board in the foyer. Please make sure to indicate if you would like to receive a text or phone call. If you have any questions, please see Leah Wages.

Horizon's Responses

Alexis Cottner and Dakota Matlock went forward to ask for prayers as they have struggles in life.