

Sunday Sermon's

AM - It Depends on You - Ecclesiastes 12:13-14 - Mike Wages

PM - Take Time to Be Holy - Mike Wages



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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July 31st

Fellowship meal today
morning services

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Ladies Meeting after
evening services

9/30-10/2

Ladies Retreat
Chickasaw State Park

Area Gospel Meetings

8/7-8/10

Cherryville Road church of Christ
Bells, TN
Various Speakers

8/7-8/10

Maury City church of Christ
David Powell

8/7-8/11

East Jackson church of Christ
Jackson, TN
Samuell Pounds



Those Privileged to Serve

July 31st - MORNING WORSHIP
6 A.M. Eddie Anderson, John Smith

Announcements: Marion Thomas

Lead Singing: Ray Pack
Read Scripture: Eddie Anderson
Opening Prayer: Gaylon Cooper
Sermon: Mike Wages
Closing Prayer: Marion Thomas

Communion:

D. Cunningham, J. Orr, S. Lewis
F. Kidder, Q. Green, P. Hatcher

Greet: Carleton & Cindy Kidder
Nursery Att: A.M. Kim Ross
P.M. Bonita Staggs

July 24th - EVENING WORSHIP

Lead Singing: John Smith
Opening Prayer: Freeman Kidder
Sermon: Mike Wages
Closing Prayer: Carleton Kidder
Communion:

Marion Thomas, Walt Ferguson

Aug 3rd - WED BIBLE STUDY

Lead Singing: John Smith
Opening Prayer: Marion Thomas
Invitation: Freeman Kidder
Closing Prayer: Ray Pack

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~News and Notes~

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE:

Vezzanna Mullins is in room 480 at Jackson General following knee replacement .

Barbara Ray had a pacemaker put in on Friday.

Cindy Kidder got her test results back showing low iron. She is very appreciative of all the prayers

Members

Harold and Doris Davis, Ron and Nadine McDonald, Teresa Yearwood, Ted Lingren, Fredie Stewart, and Cindy Kidder

Friends & Family:

Horace Yearwood, Loretta Stanfill, Holly Richardson,

Addresses for New Members

Tyler Naes
45 Circle Drive
Pinson, TN 38366

Darrell & Baleri Cunningham
9 Whisper Creek Drive
Jackson, TN 38305

Cards to Send this Week

Ron & Nadine McDonald
501 Parkburg Road
Jackson, TN 38301

Theresa Yearwood
490 Canovan Road
Medon, TN 38356

Pantry Item

Canned Great Northern Beans

Those Privileged to Serve

Aug 7th - MORNING WORSHIP
6 A.M. Ray Pack, Gaylon Cooper

Announcements: Jonathan Orr

Lead Singing: John Smith
Read Scripture: Carleton Kidder

Opening Prayer: Ken Ross

Sermon: Ray Pack

Closing Prayer: James Eddleman

Communion:

J. Venable, K. Wadley, M. James
E. Anderson, G Phifer, A. Vaughn

Greet: Charlie & Sandi Richardson

Nursery Att: A.M. Carol Swader
P.M. Faye Venable

Aug 7th - EVENING WORSHIP

Lead Singing: Mike Wages

Opening Prayer: Darrell Cunningham

Sermon: Ray Pack

Closing Prayer: Bobby Richardson

Communion:

Carleton Kidder, Ray Pack

Aug 10th - WED BIBLE STUDY

Lead Singing: Mike Wages

Opening Prayer: Ken Ross

Invitation: Ray Pack

Closing Prayer: Freeman Kidder

Weekly Record

6 a.m. Worship	6
Sun. Morning Bible Study	106
Sunday Morning Worship	150
Sunday Evening Worship	95
Wed. Bible Study	99
Contribution	\$ 3709

Dumpster Divers

Two years ago at Harding, some friends and I got into the business of collecting "coke points", which involved acquiring the bottle tops and cardboard box containers of any and every Coca Cola product we could find lying around. Now, when we would go on the hunt for these coke points, we meant business. We would scavenge the campus, plundering trash cans and scouring recycling bins, draining them all of every last coke point.



During one particular venture, we stayed after a basketball game and collected over 400 bottle tops from cokes that people had just thrown away!

Why would anybody go to such extremes for a few measly bottle tops? What would compel somebody to dig through trash cans for cardboard Coca Cola box containers? Well in our case, we were in it for the online rewards. We could cash in our points later on for a gift card to the Nike store, or a souvenir cup from Six Flags, or a gift certificate to Appleby's. We saw an easy opportunity to gain, what was for us, essentially free merchandise, and we took advantage of that opportunity.

How often do you take advantage of opportunities in your life? When you're presented with an opportunity that would make you more successful in school, at work, etc., many of us may pounce on this offer immediately and seize this opportunity to get ahead.

But how many of us take advantage of every opportunity we have to share the gospel? After Jesus rose from the dead, he gave a command to His Apostles. "Go into all the world and preach the good news to all creation." (Mark 16:15). That is a command that each of us who calls himself a Christian must carry out. What is the good news? Listen to the words of Paul: "For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures." (1 Corinthians 15: 3,4)

It's very easy in this life for us to recognize opportunities that are beneficial to ourselves. We also must seek out and seize opportunities to further the work of the Kingdom of God. We have been given a Great Commission of evangelism that is meant to be shared with all of mankind. To what extremes will you go to ring out this awesome message of love and saving grace?

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