#### **Those Privileged to Serve**

Sept 11th - MORNING WORSHIP 6 A.M. Ray Pack, Gaylon Cooper

Announcements: Mike Wages

Lead Singing: John Smith Read Scripture: Costel Gimphu Opening Prayer: Freeman Kidder Sermon: Jim Gardner Closing Prayer: Mike Wages

**Communion:** B. Richardson, L. Merritt, J. Orr J. Johnson, S. Lewis, C. Richardson

Greet: Doris Crow, Lisa Thompson Nursery Att: A.M. Carlet James P.M. Sandra Jordan

#### Sept 11th - EVENING WORSHIP

Lead Singing: Marion Thomas Opening Prayer: Eddie Anderson Sermon: Jim Gardner Closing Prayer: Ken Ross Communion: Joe Venable, Ken Ross

Sept 14th - WED BIBLE STUDY

Lead Singing: Mike Wages Opening Prayer: Marion Thomas Invitation: Gospel Meeting Closing Prayer: Ray Pack

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South Jackson Church of Christ 845 Hwy 18 Medon, TN 38356 www. southjacksonchurchofchrist.org (731) 424-9721 Sept 18th - MORNING WORSHIP 6 A.M. Eddie Anderson, John Smith Announcements: Mike Wages Lead Singing: John Smith Read Scripture: Jeff Cogdell

Opening Prayer: James Eddleman Sermon: Ray Pack Closing Prayer: Joseph Johnson

**Communion:** B. Richardson, L. Merritt, J. Orr J. Johnson, S. Lewis, C. Richardson

Greet: Ann Baxter, Barbie Mullins, Nursery Att: A.M. Charnae James P.M. Jeanette Morris

#### Sept 18th - EVENING WORSHIP

Lead Singing: Paul Hatcher Opening Prayer: Carleton Kidder Sermon: Ray Pack Closing Prayer: Marion Thomas Communion: Joe Venable, Ken Ross

#### Sept 21st - WED BIBLE STUDY

Lead Singing: Paul Hatcher Opening Prayer: Ray Pack Invitation: Freeman Kidder Closing Prayer: Darrell Cunningham

#### Weekly Record

6 a.m. Worship Sun. Morning Bible Study Sunday Morning Worship Sunday Evening Worship Wed. Bible Study Contribution	5 105 140 93 88 \$ 5019
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# An Ancient Book With a Relevant Message

Far too many people have the attitude that asks, "How can a book more than 1,900 years old have any relevance in my life?" It is true that parts of the Bible are more than 3,000 years old, but it is equally true that the nature of man has not changed. Our God is eternal, and the truth that His holiness is the standard for our holiness is found in both the Old and New Testaments (Lev. 11:44: 1 Pet. 1:16).

Jesus certainly did not see the message of the Old Testament as having nothing to do with the people of the first century. They could so easily have asked, "How could words spoken to men who lived 1,500 years ago have anything to do with our lives?" In Matthew chapter twenty-two, Jesus talked about the events at the burning bush. Read His words carefully. "Have you not read what was spoken to you by God, saying, 'I am the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob?'"

Jesus looked at these words spoken at the burning bush and said that people who lived 1,500 years later and read these words would hear God speaking to them! It is foolish to think that because the words of the Bible are thousands of years old, they have nothing to do with us. The truth is that when we read these words spoken 3,500 years ago, God is still speaking to us!

This same truth is seen in Paul's sermon at Antioch. Paul described how the Jews had heard Jesus speak to them, but they "did not know Him." He then added, "...nor the voices of the prophets which are read every Sabbath" (Acts 13:27). When they read the ancient words of those prophets in the synagogues, they were reading words just as relevant as the words they actually heard when Jesus spoke them. All those things written have relevance today (Rom. 15:4; 1 Cor. 10:11).

The writer of Hebrews shows this same truth and affirms this in an amazing way. He quotes the words of Jeremiah about the new covenant God was planning to make with the Jews. It was not to be the same ten commandment covenant He made with the Jews when they departed from Egypt (Deut. 4:13; Jer. 31:31-34). Those words from Jeremiah had been written at least 600 years prior to the writing of Hebrews. Look carefully at how God speaks of the relevancy of ancient words. "The Holy Spirit witnesses to us" (Heb. 10:15). One might think that reading Jeremiah was to hear what an ancient prophet spoke to others. Such could not be further from truth. To read the words of Jeremiah was to listen to the Holy Spirit of God speaking to us! They were written to the Jews, but they speak to us!

So, when you read the Bible, remember that God designed the book so that it speaks to all men, it speaks to us! Read it; listen to it; obey it! Eternity demands we do this.

Dan Jenkins

# Ten Commandments Of Human Relations

Thou shalt love people, not just use them.

The greatest thing in the world is a person. The greatest thing about a person is his motive, and the greatest motive is love.

Thou shalt develop thy understanding.

"If every man's care were written on his brow, how many would our pity share, who bear our envy now.?

Thou shalt compliment more than criticize.

You had better cover you neighbor's fault with a cloak of charity. He may need a circus tent to cover yours.

Thou shalt not get angry.

If you are right, you don't need to. If you are wrong, you can't afford to.

Thou shalt not argue.

It is no use to win the argument and lose people. Beware of the attitude which says: "In matters controversial, my attitude is fine. I always see two points of view, the one that is wrong and mine.

Thou shalt be kind.

You had better be kind to the people you meet on the way up! They are the same ones you meet on the way down. It is nice to be important, but it is more important to be nice!

Thou shalt have a sense of humor.

A sense of humor is to a man what springs are to a wagon .. it saves him a lot of jolts.

Thou shalt smile.

No man is ever fully dressed until he has a smile.

Thou shalt practice what thou preaches.

One example is worth a thousand arguments.

Thou shalt establish a long-range habit of peoplemanship.

Good human relations can be the key to your success.

Tim Woodward

# **Congregational News and Notes**

# **Prayer Requested**

#### Members

Harold and Doris Davis, Ron and Nadine McDonald, Leroy Carnal, Rachel Epperson, Louise Hopper Teresa Yearwood, Ted Lingren, Fredie Stewart, Cindy Kidder and Iva Hopper. Bill and Gladys Gowan, Teriyaki Anderson

### Friends & Family:

Horace Yearwood, Loretta Stanfill, Holly Richardson

## Cards to Send this Week

Theresa Yearwood 490 Canovan Rd Medon, TN 38356

Ted Lingren 708 Hearn St Henderson, TN 38340

### Pantry Item

Cream Style Corn

## A Word of Thanks

Thank you to Gaylon Cooper and Billy Landers for keeping the grass cut around the building this summer.

Thank you to Paul Hatcher and Mike Wages for keeping the messages on the road sign changed.

# Happenings

## South Jackson

**9/11-9/14** Gospel Meeting Jim Gardner, Speaking

**9/20** Men's Devotional At Joe Venable's House

> 9/21-11/9 Fall Series FHU Students

9/30-10/2 Ladies Retreat Camp Meribah

Dorcas class will start back on September 13. We meet at 10:00 AM.

# **Other Events**

The Great Debate2016 9/27 6:30 PM Ralph Gilmore will be debating Alexander Rosenburg Debate Topic Does God Exist

## Responses

In recent weeks Gaylon Cooper, Ray Pack and Destinee Ross have come and asked for the prayers of the congregation.