

Those Privileged to Serve

Nov 13th - MORNING WORSHIP

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

Announcements: Jonathan Orr

Lead Singing: John Smith

Read Scripture: Costel Gimphu

Opening Prayer: Joseph Johnson

Sermon: Ray Pack

Closing Prayer: Carleton Kidder

Communion:

J. Venable, L. Merritt, M. James
E. Anderson, G. Phifer, A. Vaughn

Greet: Freeman & Sheila Kidder

Nursery Att: A.M. Reba Donaldson
P.M. Leah Wages

Nov 13th - EVENING WORSHIP

Lead Singing: Marion Thomas

Opening Prayer: Eddie Anderson

Sermon: Ray Pack

Closing Prayer: Ken Ross

Communion:

Carleton Kidder, Ray Pack

Nov 16th - WED BIBLE STUDY

Lead Singing: Marion Thomas

Opening Prayer: Joe Venable

Invitation: Darrell Cunningham

Closing Prayer: Jonah Adams

Nov 20th - MORNING WORSHIP

6 A.M. J. Lewis, J. Smith

Announcements: Jonathan Orr

Lead Singing: John Smith

Read Scripture: Jeff Cogdell

Opening Prayer: Jeff Lewis

Sermon: Ray Pack

Closing Prayer: Joseph Johnson

Communion:

J. Venable, L. Merritt, M. James
E. Anderson, G. Phifer, A. Vaughn

Greet: Carleton & Cindy Kidder

Nursery Att: A.M. Nijerika Green
P.M. Carolyn Callis

Nov 20th - EVENING WORSHIP

Lead Singing: Jeff Lewis

Opening Prayer: Joe Venable

Sermon: Ray Pack

Closing Prayer: Marion Thomas

Communion:

Carleton Kidder, Ray Pack

Nov 23rd - WED BIBLE STUDY

Lead Singing: Jeff Lewis

Opening Prayer: Darrell Cunningham

Invitation: Tyler Naes

Closing Prayer: Paul Hatcher

Weekly Record

6 a.m. Worship	6
Sun. Morning Bible Study	91
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Do You Want Eternal Life?

Jon Mitchell

“Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life. He does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life.” (John 5:24)



To pass “from death to life.” To not “come into judgment,” which means to not come into what the Greek calls krisis, condemnation. To have the “eternal life” that is

God’s free gift rather than the second death of hell which we deserve because of our sin (Rom. 6:23; Rev. 21:8)! What a high, undeserved honor! What a wonderful thing it will be to hear those sweet words from the King of kings: “Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master” (Matt. 25:21). Do you want those wonderful words to be said to you? I know I do.

Look very carefully at what the Master says in today’s Scripture of the Day. These blessings of eternal life and the passing over of judgment from death to life come to “whoever” does two things: the one who “hears my word and believes him who sent me.”

The Psalmist wrote that the “blessed” man “who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers” is one whose “delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law he meditates day and night” (Ps. 1:1-2). The apostle wrote that Christians are to long for “the pure milk of the Word” like a newborn longs for milk (1 Pet. 2:2), and that we are to diligently grow in “knowledge” if we are to have that “entrance into the eternal kingdom” provided for us (2 Pet. 1:5-11; 3:18).

The faith which pleases God (Heb. 11:6) and saves us (John 5:24; 3:16) comes from hearing “the word of Christ” (Rom. 10:17). Friend, how well do you hear God’s Word? How often do you meditate upon it? Day and night...or once a week for a couple of minutes? Have you ever read the entire Bible? If not, why? If you want to escape the judgment of God and walk into an eternal life of bliss, take Jesus’ promise to heart. Hear his Word.

Not only that, but believe in the God who sent Jesus. This faith consists more of a belief in the existence of God, but also that he “rewards those who seek him” (Heb. 11:6). It must be stronger than the faith of demons, for they too believe in God (James 2:19). No, this belief in God consists of such a strong spiritual, mental, and intellectual conviction and trust that it prompts unhesitating obedience (James 2:14-26). It was this kind of faith that prompted Noah to obey God in building an ark (Heb. 11:7), Abraham to obey God by moving his family to places unknown and being willing to sacrifice his son (Heb. 11:8-10, 17-19), and Moses to give up “the fleeting pleasures of sin” in Egypt in order to serve God by leading Israel out of slavery through the Red Sea (Heb. 11:24-29). It is this faith that will prompt you and me to obey the will of our God as revealed in his Word, no matter what the cost.

Do you want eternal life? Hear, believe, and obey...

Will Your Children Go To Heaven? Don Readhimer

Church leaders all over the nation are concerned about the drop-out rate of young people. And well they should be. It is a tragic thing to see these precious boys and girls, who are so thrilled with Bible study as little people, grow cold and uninterested in the Lord’s work as they grow older.

Lately, several congregations have made in-depth studies of the factors leading to youth leaving the church, with an eye to learning what might be done to help solve this problem. What do we need? More youth programs? More rallies? Special teachers?

A great central truth has begun to emerge from these studies. Their faithfulness to Jesus doesn’t have anything to do with special programs or teachers. It is not dependent on whether they are members of a large congregation or a small one. The single most important factor is their own immediate family.

One congregation found that when both parents were faithful to the Lord, and that includes active interest in the local congregation’s programs, 93 percent of the children remained faithful. On the other hand, if only one parent was faithful, the figure dropped to 73 percent. Where both parents were only marginally active, it fell to 53 percent. Now comes the shocker—when both parents attended infrequently, 6 percent of their children remained faithful to the Lord.

Do you want your children to go to heaven? Then make certain you are leading them. The likelihood is they’ll go no other way! “Train up a child in the way he should go, And when he is old he will not depart from it.”

Congregational News and Notes

Prayer Requested

Members

Harold and Doris Davis,
Ron and Nadine McDonald,
Jean Harber, Rachel Epperson,
Louise Hopper, Teresa Yearwood,
Ted Lingren, Fredie Stewart,
Cindy Kidder, Iva Hopper,
Bill and Gladys Gowan,
Teriyaki Anderson, Tom Crow

Friends & Family:

Horace Yearwood, Loretta Stanfill,
Sammy Snead, Tim Boyd,
Teresa Carpenter, Al Stewart

Cards to Send this Week

Tom Crow
72 Elmfield Drive
Jackson, TN 38305

Tamika Williamson
99 Wesley Drive
Jackson, TN 38305

Member Address Change

Harrial Davis
16 Rutherford Drive
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Fruit Baskets

All widows and widowers of the congregation will automatically get a fruit basket. If you have someone in mind that you think would appreciate a fruit basket from South Jackson, please turn their name in to the office.

Happenings

South Jackson

11/13

Youth Devotional following evening services

11/14

Men’s Devotional
7 PM at the home of Chip Thomas

Pantry Item

Cake Mix and Frosting

Congratulations

Charmaine James and Quartez Martin were married on Saturday, November 12th.

FHU Student Speaker Addresses

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