

SOUTH JACKSON BEACON

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Is My Name Written There? Dan Jenkins

There is no way that the author of a hymn has of knowing just how widely it may be used. In every generation, there are songs which briefly appear and just a few years later they are rarely used. There are other songs which have been around for decades, and there must be a reason for this. There was no way for Daniel S. Warner to know in 1893 that the song he published would be around over a century and be translated and sung in both Russia and Germany and become part of over forty hymnals. It is not sung as much today as it once was, but the message it conveys is timeless.hymn name

My name is in the Book of Life, Oh, bless the name of Jesus; I rise above all doubt and strife, And read my title clear.

(Refrain)

I know, I know, My name is there; I know, I know, My name is written there.

Jesus describes the new birth by which one becomes part of the family of God. The Spirit of God uses the words of God to convict men of sin, righteousness and of the coming judgment (John 16:8) and brings them to a burial in the waters of baptism (John 3:5). The Lord says that if this does not happen, he will never enter the kingdom of heaven. However, when one is baptized, he is added to the kingdom his name is "...

registered in heaven (Heb. 12:23). There is a divine book that has within it the names of all who have been born again.

At the final judgment that book which contains the names of all the redeemed will be opened. "And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire" (Rev. 20:15). It is these words which lie in the background of the hymn written 130 years ago.

Can you know that your name is there? The Holy Spirit has revealed how one becomes a child of God in His family. Believers who repent (decide to turn their lives over to Jesus) are lead by the Spirit to be buried in water, into the death of Jesus, as they call upon God to save them (1 Pet. 3:21).

These words of the Spirit bears witness that if one does obey Jesus his name will be written in that book. The sobering question is whether your spirit can bear witness that you have obeyed the words of the Spirit. There are two witnesses needed to establish truth. The witness has been given from heaven, there is another witness and that is that your spirit (your soul). Can you say that you have obeyed the Lord and I know your name is written there? The Bible does not say "to my spirit," but says "with my spirit." The Spirit bears witness with my spirit that I am saved (Rom. 8:16).

Today's Sermons

AM - Why I Don't Want to Sin Hebrews 11:24-26

PM - Jesus, the way, the Truth and the Life John 14:1-6

Congregational News & Notes

Prayer Requested

Members

Harold Davis, Mary Bolen Ron and Nadine McDonald. Sandra Epperson, Fredie Stewart, Cindy Kidder, Roberta Donaldson, Lisa Dukes. Doug Crouse, Norma Cogdell Margie Montgomery, Sue Harris, Betty Mosely, Teriyaki Anderson James Morris, Freeman Kidder, Andy Vaughn, Pearl Johnson, Ken & Paula Wadley, Judy Ellis Phillip Mulins, Jerry Crabb, Karen Chance, Mary Lewis, Sheila Greer, Helen Morris Luther Merritt, David Briley, Gaylon & Betty Cooper

Friends & Family

Horace Yearwood, Shirley Bolin,
Beverly Martindale,
Allen Thompson, Glenn Lovell,
Gladys Gowan, Diane Hubbard,
Brandi Rogers, Marilyn Ferrell,
Jeanette Manley, Corey Allen
Kenton Lancaster,
Justin Puckett, Ruby Malone,
Margaret Davis, Bryan Norton,
George Tennyson

Pantry Item

Canned Tuna

Happenings

South Jackson

October 14

Prayer Service for Gospel Meeting 9:30 AM

October 15-18

Gospel Meeting with David Powell

Cards to Send

David Briley 175 Lesters Chapel Road Jackson, TN 38301

> Norma Cogdell 19 Dixie Lane Jackson, TN 38301

Weekly Record

6 AM	6
Bible Class	48/11
AM Worship	81/17
PM Worship	50/8
Wed Bible Study	52/6
Contribution	3055

October 29th Speakers

AM - Ken Ross PM - Marion Thomas

Those Privileged to Serve

Oct 8 - AM WORSHIP

6 AM - J. Butcher, P. Hatcher

Lead Singing: John Smith Read Scripture: Costel Ghimphu Opening Prayer: Mike Wages Sermon: Ray Pack

Closing Prayer: Carleton Kidder Communion: Joe Venable Contribution:

Van McConnell

PM WORSHIP

Lead Singing: Mike Wags Opening Prayer: Paul Hatcher Sermon: Ray Pack Closing Prayer: Greg Long Communion: Joe Venable

Sept 27 - WED BIBLE STUDY

Lead Singing: Ray Pack Opening Prayer: Joe Venable

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Oct 15 - AM WORSHIP

6 AM - M. Wages, J. Smith

Lead Singing: Mike Wages Read Scripture: Carleton Kidder Opening Prayer: Ray Pack Sermon: David Powell Closing Prayer: Paul Hatcher Communion: Van McConnell Contribution:

PM WORSHIP

Costel Gimphu

Lead Singing: Paul Hatcher Opening Prayer: Joe Venable Sermon: David Powell Closing Prayer: Mike Wages Communion: Marion Thomas

Sept 27 - WED BIBLE STUDY

Lead Singing: TDD Opening Prayer: TBD Devo - Mike Wages Gospel Meeting - David Powell

Service Times

Early Worship	6:00 AM
Gospel of Christ - Fox 16	9:30 AM
Sunday Bible Class	9:30 AM
Sunday AM Worship	10:30 AM
Sunday PM Worship	5:00 PM
Midweek Bible Study	6:30 PM