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For Your Consideration ***Raymond Seig***

In 2 Chronicles 7:12-14 the following words are recorded: "And the Lord appeared to Solomon by night, and said unto him, I have heard thy prayer, and have chosen this place to myself for an house of sacrifice. If I shut up heaven that there be no rain, or if I command the locusts to devour the land, or if I send pestilence among my people; if my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land."

To set the stage for these passages, Solomon had dedicated the temple he built. At the dedication, Solomon prayed a very beautiful prayer (2 Chronicles 6:12-42). As he prayed, Solomon demonstrated deep concern for the future of his people. He was aware that his people might fall into sin and wander away from God. He showed how much he cared for his people by asking God to forgive them when they repented and returned to Him. God assured Solomon that He would forgive and bless the Israelites if they would humble themselves, pray, seek His face, and turn from their wicked ways.

As we further analyze Solomon's prayer we see that he also mentioned something else. He touched on some things that could cause his people to return to God, including drought,

various types of pestilence, war, and captivity. Although these things are unpleasant, Solomon knew that they could have a positive impact upon his people by causing them to return to the Lord.

With these matters before us, let us consider something that could very well affect the church's growth. As you know, for some time we have been facing economic uncertainty, we have had to deal with threats to our national security, we have been plagued by natural disasters in different parts of the country, and we have seen crimes being committed at an alarming rate. These things are not pleasant by any means. However, these things just might lead some people in our community to search for something that provides stability in our unstable world. Such people may reflect upon and examine their relationships with God, providing us with opportunities for evangelism.

As we think about reaching others with the Gospel during difficult times, let us maintain the spirit of optimism of our Savior who said, "Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest" (John 4:35).

Today's Sermons

AM - Sowing the Wind
Hosea 8:7

PM - Singing Night

Congregational News & Notes

Prayer Requested

Members

Harold Davis, Mary Bolen
Ron and Nadine McDonald,
Sandra Epperson,
Freddie 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

Green Peas

Happenings

South Jackson

Today

Men's Business Meeting
Following AM Services

November 5

Time Change
Fall Back 1 hour

Cards to Send

Mary Bolen
902 O'Neal Lane
Henderson, TN 38340

Virginia Grimes
127 Outlook Ridge
Beech Bluff, TN 38313

Weekly Record

6 AM	0
Bible Class	68/19
AM Worship	119/29
PM Worship	89/14
Wed Bible Study	66/5
Contribution	3746

October 29th Speakers

AM - Ken Ross
PM - Marion Thomas

Those Privileged to Serve

Oct 22 - AM WORSHIP

6 AM - R. Pack, R Clouse

Lead Singing: John Smith

Read Scripture:

Jeff Bliss

Opening Prayer:

Joe Venable

Sermon: Ray Pack

Closing Prayer: Van McConnell

Communion: Marion Thomas

Contribution:

Jerome Turner

Oct 29 - AM WORSHIP

6 AM - J. Butcher, P. Hatcher

Lead Singing: Mike Wages

Read Scripture:

Jerome Turner

Opening Prayer:

Ray Pack

Sermon: Ken Ross

Closing Prayer: Greg Longl

Communion: Paul Hatcher

Contribution:

Charlie Richardson

PM WORSHIP

Lead Singing: Mike Wages

Opening Prayer:

Ken Ross

Sermon: Singing Night

Closing Prayer: Mike Wages

Communion: Paul Hatcher

PM WORSHIP

Lead Singing: Ray Pack

Opening Prayer:

Mike Wages

Sermon: Marion Thomas

Closing Prayer: Joe Venable

Communion: Paul Hatcher

Oct 25 - WED BIBLE STUDY

Lead Singing: Mike Wages

Opening Prayer:

Ray Pack

Devo - Marion Thomas

Nov 1 - WED BIBLE STUDY

Lead Singing: Ray Pack

Opening Prayer:

Joe Venable

Devo - Mike Wages

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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