

SOUTH JACKSON BEACON

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Approaching Life with Joy

My wife and I recently had our adorable little granddaughter to babysit for the day. What a doll! And what a little dynamo! From the moment she arrived, she was off and crawling; bouncing back and forth between her grandmother and I; flitting from one place to another with all of the joy, happiness, and innocent excitement that only such a contented infant can possess. No Coronavirus or other such all-consuming fear or anxiety in that little head or heart, no sir! The only thing on earth that seems to even remotely matter to her is that she gets to eat when she's hungry. And for that, as well as for help standing when she's stumbling; someone to hold her when she's hurting; the safe chest to fall asleep on when she's tired; and/or anything and everything else she wants or needs; she simply knows, trusts, and turns to her mother, father, or, as was the case that day, to her grandparents when she's with us.

What a wonderful example for us as God's children today (Gal. 3:26-27)! To go about our daily business so joyfully, contentedly, and without worry (Ro. 15:13; Phil. 4:13; Matt. 6:25-34), that we just spread smiles and happiness wherever we go. To know and trust without any doubt whatsoever, that our heavenly Father will always: feed us when we're hungry (Matt. 5:6, 7:9-11; 1 Ptr. 2:2-3); help us stand firm when we would otherwise fall (Eph. 6:10-13); hold us close when we're hurting the most (Rom. 8:35-39); and be the safe refuge upon Whom we can rest when we're weary (Matt. 11:28-29).

Let us always remember that Jesus said in Matt. 18:3-4, "Assuredly, I say to you, unless you are converted and become as little children, you will by no means enter the kingdom of heaven. Therefore whoever humbles himself as this little child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven." Let us be those little children of God, living our daily lives in complete trust of our heavenly Father and His power to protect and provide for us. God bless!

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God Gave Us Eternal Life - 1 John 5:11-12 Jon Mitchell

Christians, why should we be ashamed of this testimony? Eternal life is ours, the gift of God freely given! (Rom. 6:23) Why should we be ashamed of the gospel? (Rom. 1:16) To live forever in peace with God in heaven, when in reality we deserve the opposite (Rom. 6:23; Rev. 21:8; Eph. 2:8; Tit. 2:11). Our gratitude for this glorious gift should have us shouting his praises from the rooftops! (1 Pet. 2:9)

So again, why SHOULDN'T we testify of God's love and grace? And why be afraid to say that the path to salvation is found in only one place, in one Man (John 14:6)? Why not tell of our allegiance to Jesus Christ? In him is life (John 1:4), and one resides in him only through repentance of sins and baptism (Gal. 3:26-27; Rom. 6:1-5). Want to have the Son of God? Obey his command found in Mark 16:16. Obey his commands, period (Luke 6:46; John 14:21-23).

Congregational News & Notes

Prayer Requested

Members

Harold Davis, Mary Bolen
Ron and Nadine McDonald,
Sandra Jordan, Fredie Stewart,
Cindy Kidder, Garmelia Ellis,
Roberta Donaldson, Lisa Dukes,
Doug Crouse, Norma Cogdell
Margie Montgomery, Sue Harris,
John & Gwen Smith,
Betty Mosely, Teriyaki Anderson
James Morris, Freeman Kidder,
Andy Vaughn, Pearl Johnson,
Ken & Paula Wadley,
Diana McConnell,
Clara Williams, Janet Taylor
Charles & Ruby Malone

Friends & Family

Horace Yearwood, Beverly Martindale, Gladys Gowan, Diane Hubbard, Jeffrey Smith, Betty Turner, Shirley Bolin, Brandi Rogers, Jeanette Manley, Wayne Warren Kenton Lancaster, Bettye Kennon, Marilyn Ferrell

Sunday Sermon's

AM - As We Veiw Life Philippians 3:3-6

PM - Never Man Spoke Like This Matthew 7:28-29

Happenings

South Jackson

February 6-10

Freed Hardeman University Annual Bible Lectureship

February 20

Men's Business Meeting Following AM Service

Cards to Send

Alice Farough 65 Dixie Lane Jackson, TN 38301

Ken & Paula Wadley 400 Harts Bridge Road Jackson, TN 38301

Teriyaki Anderson 225 Deerfield Loop Henderson, TN 38340

Pantry Item

Macaroni & Cheese

Weekly Record

| 6 AM | 6 |
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| Bible Class | 47/14 |
| AM Worship | 98/22 |
| PM Worship | 52/23 |
| Wed Bible Study | 51/8 |
| Contribution | 3832 |

Those Privileged to Serve

Feb 6 - AM WORSHIP

6 AM. - M. Wages, P. Hatcher

Lead Singing: Mike Wages
Read Scripture:
Charlie Richardson
Opening Prayer:
Joe Venable
Sermon: Ray Pack

Closing Prayer: Carleton Kidder
Communion: Marion Thomas
Contribution:
Jonathan Orr

PM WORSHIP

Lead Singing: Marion Thomas
Opening Prayer:
Mike Wages
Sermon: Ray Pack
Closing Prayer: Paul Hatcher
Communion: Marion Thomas

Feb 9 - WED BIBLE STUDY

Lead Singing: Marion Thomas
Opening Prayer:
Joe Venable
Devotional: Ray Pack

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Feb 13 - AM WORSHIP

6 AM. - R. Pack, G. Cooper

Lead Singing: John Smith
Read Scripture:
Costel Gimphu
Opening Prayer:
Mike Wages
Sermon: Ray Pack
Closing Prayer: Jerry Crabb
Communion: Joe Venable
Contribution:
Charlie Richardson

PM WORSHIP

Lead Singing: Matt Williams
Opening Prayer:
Marion Thomas
Sermon: Ray Pack
Closing Prayer: Ronald Clouse
Communion: Joe Venable

Feb 9 - WED BIBLE STUDY

Lead Singing: Ray Pack
Opening Prayer:
Mike Wages
Devotional: Marion Thomas

Service Times

| Early Worship | 6:00 AM |
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| Sunday Bible Class | 9:30 AM |
| Sunday AM Worship | 10:30 AM |
| Sunday PM Worship | 5:00 PM |
| Midweek Bible Study | 6:30 PM |