

THE PROMISE OF THE LORD

In 2 Peter 3:8-9 the Bible says *“But beloved be not ignorant of this one thing that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years and thousand years as one day. The Lord is not slack concerning his promise as some men count slackness but is long-suffering to us-ward not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance.”*

As we dissect this verse, the first admonition seen is “be not ignorant,” and is related to the fact that they are ignorant as we are relative to understanding eternity. The thought embraced here is that all things are eternal before God and He is neither bound by time nor does He have to wait for an opportune moment before acting. The span of a life is brief indeed before Him and so if we suffer or fair sumptuously it will not last. Our salvation should take that into account.

The promise behind the reference concerning whether or not the Lord is slack concerning His promise belies a mockery, vs. 3-5, perhaps suggesting God forgot about the destruction and the second coming. Peter assures us this is not the case. He goes on to say that the fact this hasn't happened yet does not show slackness in the Lord but a desire through long-suffering that man should repent before it's too late.

It should also be noted that God is long-suffering for the very people mocking Him. How ignorant can people be? The love of God is deep and abiding but it is not without conditions for salvation. The wise of this world will read His Word and heed His Word. The ignorant will go on mocking Him, either by word or deed. But remember the Word of the Lord is true and His promises come to pass.

—Tim Turpin

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SUN: 9:00am - Worship

10:15am - Bible Study

6:00pm - Worship

WED: 7:00pm - Bible Study

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CARL'S THOUGHTS:

What a week we have all experienced with the inclement weather! But we seem to be on the way to recovery. Many of our friends and family have lost homes and contents. But we must remember that these material possessions can be replaced. We must continue to put God first in our lives.

This past Thursday, Mark Willis chose to become a child of God by being baptized into Christ for the remission of his sins. Mark is no stranger to Main Street as he grew up here. His mother Georga Willis is still a member here and I know she is so happy. Many years ago his dad-Clark Willis served this congregation as a deacon. Welcome Mark into our fellowship.

Then on Sunday morning when the invitation was extended, Rachel Farless came down the isle requesting baptism so that she could become one God's children. She is the sister of our Chelsey Farless and the daughter of Dale and Debbie Farless and granddaughter of Floyd & Janie Green. We are always so excited when our young people choose to obey the precious gospel of Jesus Christ.

Don't forget that this Sunday is Mother's Day and we want you to be here to honor all mothers and mothers bring your children with you.

Keep your eye on the cross of Jesus Christ!

Wednesday May 5, 2010

FOR THE RECORD

Morning Worship: (May 2)	219
Bible Study	152
Evening Worship.....	135
Midweek Bible Study (Apr. 28).....	145
Contribution: (May 2)	\$6,065

HOSPITAL

Jo Ada Barlow, White Co. Hos.
(mother of Steve Barlow)

Zora Jetton, Stones River (Woodbury)

AT HOME

**Dessie Taylor, Fairy Johnson,
Beverly Vanover, Kenneth Poff,**

**Richard Barlow, Sally Owens, Bill Bouldin,
David Lee Roberts, Ian Smith.**

Garland Brown is at his daughter's in Nashville and goes to the hospital each day for a treatment.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL

The menu for Wednesday, May 12th is: Baked Ham, Vegetables, Drink & Donuts. Remember to make your reservation by signing the list in foyer by Sunday, May 9th. This is for any member and the cost is: **\$3.00 per person**. There is a special rate for families.

Our goal for all of those who eat with us is to stay and attend Bible class @ 7:00pm.

READ THE NEW TESTAMENT THRU:

Wilson Henely,

PANTRY ITEMS

Green Beans, Potted Meat, Vienna Sausages.

SYMPATHY

Our sympathy is extended to the family of Mary Uwechia whose graveside service was Thursday at 12:00 noon. at Rose Hill. She was the mother of Patricia, Frances & Matthew Uwechia and the daughter of Katherine Nelson.

BAPTISM

Our hearts were made to rejoice over the

baptism of Mark Willis on Thursday. He is the son of Georga Willis and the late Clark Willis. His address is: P.O. Box 942. Phone: 247-4754. M7/22.

On Sunday, Rachel Farless came forward asking to be baptized for the forgiveness of her sins. She is the daughter of Dale & Debbie Farless and sister of Chelsey Farless. Her address is: 2250 Panhandle Rd. Wartrace. Phone: 394-2640. F2/22.

MEN TO SERVE

THOSE TO SERVE, SUN. MAY 9:

9:00AM

Song Leader: Tim Brown
First Prayer: Steve Willmore
Scripture: Don Gregory
Closing Prayer: Winfred Duke

6:00PM

Song Leader: Tim Brown
First Prayer: Adam Willmore
Scripture: Don Gregory
Closing Prayer: Wayne Shelton

SERMON TITLES:

A.M.: "Woman Who Loves God" (Prov. 31:10-20)

P.M.: "Letter To a Friend" (Philemon 4:10)

PICK-UP ATTENDANCE CARDS, SUN. MAY 9:

Seth Little & Andrew Green

NURSERY ATTENDANTS, SUN. MAY 9:

Shirley Villani & Betty West

THOSE TO SERVE, WED. MAY 12:

Devotional: Carl Sims
Announcements: Adam Willmore
Opening Prayer: David Sullivan
Closing Prayer: Don Gregory
Song Leader: Michael Broadrick

CARE BOX

Girl Scout Troop #507 has provided a box in the foyer for Laundry Detergent, Paper Towels, Bathroom Tissue for Shepherd's House Homeless Shelter in Tullahoma. If you have any questions, see Amie Woods.

BREAKFAST

The youth will be serving breakfast for all Singles (45yrs and over), Widows & Widowers on Saturday, May 8th in the fellowship hall at 8:30am. Please let the office know by Wed. May 5th if you plan to attend .

NEW ARRIVAL

Congratulations to Robert & Tonya Rogers on the arrival of a son, Samuel William, born Friday, April 29th weighing 7 lbs 2ozs., 19 inches long.

V.B.S. MEETING

There will be a V.B.S. meeting after Bible Study, Sunday, May 16th in the fellowship hall. Please bring finger foods.

CARE TEAM MEETINGS

Coy & Jewell Noblitt's Care Team #1 will meet for breakfast, Friday, May 14th at Emma's at 8:30am.

Wayne & Barbara Rigney's Care Team #2 will meet following evening worship in the fellowship hall, Sunday, May 9th. Please bring finger foods.

BRIDAL GIFT TEA

The ladies of the congregation are

invited to a

Bridal Gift Tea

honoring

Kayla Thompson

bride-elect of

Josh Hollins

Sunday, May 16, 2010

2:00 until 4:00pm

at the home of

Tim & Sandy Brown

105 Boyds Court

Manchester, Tennessee

BIBLE CORRESPONDENCE

Lessons Graded (4/28-5/4).....	1,327
Requests For Personal Contact	0
Students served	531

STUDENT COMMENTS

Thanks and God bless you all for giving not only me but the rest of my Christian brothers & sisters the chance to do these studies. (Donaldsonville, LA)

I just want to say that these lessons are very helpful and may God bless you all. Thanks so very much. (Friars Point, MS)

IT JUST NEEDS TO BE TOLD

How much time, do you suppose, would Paul spend in discussing modern theological questions if he were preaching on earth today? Reckon the message of the 21st Century pulpit is more concerned with "deep and weighty" things than in preaching Christ and Him crucified? The most eloquent preaching today, as in early days, is done by a devout child of God who tells the story of God's love to a loved one, neighbor or friend. The gospel doesn't need oratory. It needs telling. And it can be told adequately and forcefully by any child of God who is earnest and sincere. Just don't miss your chance to tell it!

—Copied

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 8: Breakfast for Singles (45 & older,) Widows & Widowers, fellowship hall @ 8:30am.

**June 26: Vacation Bible School
Theme: "Faith Is the Victory"**