

## HE'S COMING

In the last chapter of the last book of the Bible, we have recorded the last words of our Lord to us. Here's something He says to all mankind: *"Behold, I am coming quickly and My reward is with Me to render to everyman according to what he has done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end"* (Rev. 22:12-13).

Now, here's what we learn from this statement:

1. Jesus will eventually come back and when He comes, it will all be done quickly...i.e. the resurrection, the change of bodies, and the judgment. There will be no last minute opportunities to readjust our condition before God.
2. Jesus will judge "every man" and will do so "according to what he has done." Therefore, it behooves us to get our lives right before God while we have opportunity. When the Lord returns, it will be too late to make any changes.
3. We also learn that He is qualified to render just judgment because of how He is. The expressions, "the Alpha and the Omega" refer to the first and the last letters of the Greek alphabet. We would say, "He is the A and the Z." This just means that He is the one who got the whole creation started and He is the one who will bring it all to an end. Thus, not only is He "the first and the last," but also "the beginning and the end."
4. There's a great day coming...when it comes, things will happen very quickly. **Are you ready for that day?**

—Guy Orbison, Jr.

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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:

It was so good to see everyone at worship this past Lord's Day. Even though it was a holiday weekend, 281 assembled to worship God in Spirit and in Truth. When the invitation was extended, Kathryn Fishe responded requesting the prayers of the congregation on her behalf. She indicated that Satan never lets up in his pursuit of our allegiance. We need to remember what Peter reveals to us in I Peter 5:8: Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaming lion, walketh about seeking whom he may devour." Peter tells us to have a clear mind, to be alert, to be watchful. When we become a child of God that is when Satan comes after us.

All of our children are out of school for the summer. As many travel on their vacations, find the Lord's church and worship with them. It is amazing the bond that exist among God's children wherever they may live.

**Keep your eye on the cross of Jesus Christ!**

Wednesday June 2, 2010

**FOR THE RECORD**

Morning Worship: (May 30) .....	281
Bible Study .....	175
Evening Worship.....	112
Midweek Bible Study (May 26).....	139
Contribution: (May 30) .....	\$6,998

**HOSPITAL**

Linda Robison, St. Thomas  
(surgery on Friday)

Terri Long, MTMC (surgery on Wednesday)

**AT HOME**

Dessie Taylor, Fairy Johnson,  
Kenneth Poff, Richard Barlow,  
Sally Owens, Bill Bouldin,  
Frank Penney, Zora Jetton,  
Charles Casper.

**READ THE ENTIRE BIBLE THRU:**

Glenda Parker

**READ THE NEW TESTAMENT THRU:**

Grady & Cricket Scott

**PANTRY ITEMS**

Bring Canned items of your choice.

**GRADUATION CELEBRATION**

There will be Graduation Celebration honoring our three High School graduates on Sunday, June 6th, following evening worship in the fellowship hall. Please bring finger foods.

**GOSPEL MEETINGS**

June 6-10, Red Hill, 7:00pm

Speaker: Eddie Brinkley, Sr.

June 6-9, New Union, M-W 7:00pm.

Theme: "What Every Christian Should Know"

Speaker: David Morris

**SYMPATHY**

Our sympathy is extended to the family of Ervin Walker. He passed from this life on Tuesday and he will be at the Moore Cortner Funeral in Winchester.

**MEN TO SERVE**

**THE FOLLOWING ARE TO SERVE IN JUNE:**

**LORD'S TABLE AM.**

\*Wayne Shelton                      \*Jayson Little  
Gerald Ewell, Sr.                      Steven Barnes  
Pierce Green                              John Lawson

**LORD'S TABLE PM.**

Leroy Munsey & Bill Hollins

**USHER & COUNT AM.**

Ricky West & Joe Verner

**USHER & COUNT PM.**

Tim Green & Roger Taylor

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Don Gregory

**THOSE TO SERVE, SUN. JUNE 6:**

**9:00AM**

Song Leader:                              Tim Brown  
First Prayer:                                David Sullivan  
Scripture:                                    Steve Barlow  
Closing Prayer:                             Frank Penney

**6:00PM**

Song Leader:                                Tim Brown  
First Prayer:                                Adam Willmore  
Scripture:                                    Steve Barlow  
Closing Prayer:                             Pierce Green

A.M.: "Sound Teaching" (Titus 2: -9)

P.M.: "God's Everlasting Love" (Romans 8:-9)

**PICK-UP ATTENDANCE CARDS, SUN. JUNE 6:**

Matthew Uwechia & Chris Jeffrey

**NURSERY ATTENDANTS, SUN. JUNE 6:**

Ella Livingston & Terri Rigney

**THOSE TO SERVE, WED. JUNE 9:**

Devotional:                                 Carl Sims  
Announcements:                            Jayson Little  
Opening Prayer:                            Tim Brown  
Closing Prayer:                             Ron Livingston  
Song Leader:                                Michael Broadrick

**COLLEGE GRADUATE**

Congratulations to Loraen Ehrhardt, granddaughter of Bettie Ehrhardt. She graduated from Tennessee Tech with BS in Business Administration on May 8th.

**BIBLE CORRESPONDENCE**

Lessons Graded (5/26-6/1).....	1,272
Requests For Personal Contact.....	2
Students served.....	509

**STUDENT COMMENTS**

I am learning a lot but I did not realize how much I did not know. I am confused on some of these, but am learning. I really enjoy doing them. (Sharpsburg, NC)

**WHAT WILL HEAVEN BE LIKE**

I Corinthians 2:9 "But as it is written: Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, Nor have entered into the heart of man The things which God has prepared for those who love Him."

I wonder how many people really believe that verse? How many people even among Christians believe that God really has something great in eternity? I think a lot of people believe that heaven isn't going to be all that great because after all what is the most common image that you see of heaven? Hollywood has told us that Heaven is always sterile white, everybody is just standing around and have big fluffy wings and are really bored. How exciting and interesting does that look?

Yet over and over again the Bible shows us that heaven is going to be better than anything we could possibly fathom here on this earth. The Hebrew writer tells us that Abraham waited, "for he waited for the city which has foundations, whose builder and maker is God." (Hebrews 11:10). If God built it then I am going to guess that just looking upon it will be better than anything we've ever known.

In that glorious place that God built we will have heavenly bodies. Now I cer-

tainly don't know everything about what those bodies will be like, but Paul tells us that our bodies will be glorious: "When Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory" (Colossians 3:4). We are told that we'll be like Jesus in these new heavenly bodies.

In Heaven we will know a better company of people. This world around us is harsh and cruel and we get tired of the things what wicked people do. In heaven those things will not exist. "But there shall by no means enter it anything that defiles, or causes an abomination or a lie, but only those who are written in the Lamb's Book of Life." (Revelation 21:27).

Finally, in Heaven we will get to live with our Lord forever. Jesus tells his disciples, "Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me. In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also" (John 14:1-3). That is where I want to live. What would that be like to live with the one who made everything? The one who is our God for all time? I can tell you that it will be awesome to be in His presence. That is what heaven promises.

—Aaron C. Andrews

**UPCOMING EVENT**

June 26: Vacation Bible School

9:00am-2:00pm

Theme: "Faith Is the Victory"

Ages: Infants—6th grade.

Adult Class.

Lunch will be provided.