

Chapter 2 : “The Sermon On Pentecost.....continued from last week

A Refutation of the Charge of Drunkenness: Verses 14,15

When the apostles began to speak in the languages of the people assembled on Pente-cost, many freely acknowledged that “we do hear them speak in our tongues the wonderful works of God” (verse 11). But “others mocking said, these men are full of new wine” (verse 13). Peter makes it clear, however, that he and the other apostles are not drunk “seeing it is but the third hour of the day”—that is, only 9 o’clock in the morning (verse 15).

All devout Jews spent the hours before any major feast in prayer and vigilance. The apostles had done the same prior to Pentecost (Acts 1:12-14). As H. Leo Boles has cogent-ly stated, “The accusation was so absurd that Peter passes it by with the emphatic denial and the observation that all could make. He now points them to the real cause of all that they had heard and seen” (Boles).

A Declaration of the Fulfillment of Prophecy: Verses 16-21

Having dislodged the charge of drunkenness, Peter proceeds to explain what the multi-tude is seeing and hearing. “But this is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel” (verse 16). As the inimitable Foy E. Wallace, Jr. used to say, “When an inspired apostle says, ‘this is that,’ we may know for certain that the event taking place is the fulfillment of the matter prophesied; that ‘this’ indeed is ‘that!’”

Some have seen Peter’s quotation of Joel 2:28-32 as a panoramic overview of the last days (the Christian dispensation), beginning with the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the apostles there on the day of Pentecost and culminating with the second coming of Christ when (according to those holding this view) “the sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood before that great and notable day of the Lord come” (verse 20).

The more plausible view is that Joel is using apocalyptic language to describe the begin-ning of the Christian age and the ushering in of the divine scheme of redemption which God had planned from the foundation of the world (Ephesians 1:4). Such vivid, dramatic, hyper-bolic describe great events in God’s economy. Daniel and Ezekiel are outstanding exam-ples of prophets who used such language. Jesus Himself, in foretelling the cataclysmic de-struction of Jerusalem (which occurred in 70 A.D.) stated: “Immediately after the tribulation of those days the sun shall be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be slackened” (Matthew 24:29). The apostle John, in the book of Revelation, also employed the apocalyptic terms to de-scribe the victory of the saints in the seven churches of Asia over the Roman Empire of their day. Continued next week.

*The above is taken from the book “The Kind of Preaching Needed Today” by Hugh Fulford, published 2006. Although this book is directed more toward preachers, it also addresses many things each of us can use in planning seeds for Christ .

On Our Prayer List...

Martha Durham-CA-colon/ Dorothy Killebrew– fell last wk/ Bonita Madewell/ Michelle Lashlee
John Hurt-Pneumonia Jim Buckner-in Horizon rehab Rita Stephens-CA Richard Lory-CA

Jimmy Arnold (Bruce & Roxanne's son's father-in-law) CA
Wiley Marshall-(CHF) & Faye Marshall-(Traci Adams) parents
Mary Gugelchuk-(Michelle Lashlee's grandmother) will have surg on Nov 7th
Beth Schreiber Fritts (Wesley Parrish's cousin) breast CA
Marsha Simpson-M Burns aunt-broken back
Larry Hayes-Elder @ WCOC-Ca has returned
Carter Robb (1 yr old CA-treatments)
April Howton-(Sammy Long's dght-)Breast CA
Savannah Patrick-(Marsha Patrick's granddaughter)able to be back at school
Annette Smith (Carl's wife) stroke
Maggie Wright (friend of N. Buttrey)CA-chemo
Kim Marlow-CA (F.Featherstone-dght/Regina's sis)
Jerry & Judy Smith

Colleen Browning-recovering fr surgery
Becky Keele—CA treatments
Kenna Rickenbrode-CA
Julie Shannon (Bob Thommasson's dght-CA
Gracelyn Darety-CF
Beth Campbell-(Thomas Cook's sis) CA .
Mary Ann Gray –CA (friend of N. Buttrey's)
Terry McKay-(Michelle Lashlee's fd) broken wrist.
June Dreaden-(S. Rachford's mom)
Carolyn Eddings-taking cancer treatments
Tessa Estes(Jacob & Lindsey (Baker) Estes-now home,
Virginia Tate-(D. Gentry's mom)
Joe Vargas-Kathy Martin's friend

ASSISTED LIVING & NURSING HOME

AHC Decatur County-726 Kentucky Ave, Parsons,TN 38363-Wyle Marshall (Rm 726)-Traci Adams dad
Dickson Health & Rehab–901 North Charlotte,Dickson,TN 37055 –Clayton England -Marvin's brother
Humphreys County-104 Forte Hill Rd/Waverly,TN.37185 –Billy Adams-Rm 712 / Ann Spicer
Lifecare Center of Centerville-112 Dickson Rd,Centerville, TN 37033/Jim(Rm309) & Earline(Rm315) Davis
NHC-812 N. Charlotte St. Dickson, TN 7055 –Mary Adair– (Rm 117) Thelma Carpenter-Amy & Bo's mom
Ronnie England-(Rm 113) & Doris Stokes-(Rm 127)

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Our sympathy to the fam-ily of “Dallas Hudson,
he was the uncle of Jimmy Long, Jean Buttrey & Nancy Long family.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS

GO INTO ALL THE WORLD

ACROSS THE STREET AND ACROSS THE NATIONS

MISSION SUNDAY COMING UP ON NOVEMBER 5TH!!!
Meal to follow.

Two Exciting Opportunities:

1.New Adult Bible Class -starting on Sunday mornings Nov 12th, down-stairs in the fellowship room. Study will be on how we can learn & re-late to Biblical characters lives in our lives today.
2.In need of “Greeters”! Is a great way to let members & visitors know how important they are to us & the Lord!!!

Our FALL FAMILY RETREAT this weekend Oct 20th-22th @Nathan Bedford.
Cost will be \$15.
All going or would like to go will meet this Wednesday night after classes in the Fellowship room.

Elders, Deacons, Preachers Meeting & Meal on Tuesday, October 24th @ 6:30.
Bring your favorite chili or soup!

IN F.O.C.U.S.

Faith, Obedience, Unity, Character, Salvation

Our youth activities for last week began with our combined FLAME and BUGS group activity. We met Wednesday night at 5:00. We played a game inside together and then headed outside for a game of kickball. We had 8 little ones and 7 older ones in attendance. After our games we headed back in for a meal together. We had a great time and a lot of fun!

Our final youth activity was our Devo Sunday night at the home of Joe and Janna Smith. We en-joyed a devotional period outside by the fire on a cool night. I appreciate Joe for bringing us the devo-tional thought! After Devo we enjoyed great food and great fellowship together. I appreciate Joe and Janna so much for hosting. It was a great night!

TRUNK OR TREAT – OCT 31ST FROM 6:00-7:30 PM. IN NEED OF TRUNKS & TREATS!



SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday October 22nd 2023

<i>Welcome</i>	Ethan Tummins
<i>Lead Singing</i>	Mark Forster
<i>1st Prayer</i>	Derek Berryman
<i>Sermon</i>	Bruce Mayfield
<i>Lord's Table</i>	Mark Forster
	Mike Robertson Glenn Ross
	Mike Burns Mike Tyler
	Jimmy Suddeath Dwight Stuart
<i>Closing Prayer</i>	Wayne Berryman
<i>Collect Cards</i>	Sterling Hurt & John Hurt
<i>Greeters</i>	<i>Not at this time</i>
<i>Nursery</i>	<i>Not at this time</i>
<i>Collect Cups</i>	Youth Group
<i>Security</i>	Team #3

Sunday 6PM, October 22nd 2023

<i>Lead Singing</i>	Mark Forster
<i>Prayer</i>	Drew Swearns
<i>Sermon</i>	Bruce Mayfield
<i>Lord's Table</i>	Danny Dotson Billy Buttrey
<i>Closing Prayer</i>	Jim Ridings

Wednesday 6:30 PM, October 25th 2023

<i>Lead Singing</i>	Bruce Mayfield
<i>Prayer</i>	Drew Buttrey
<i>Adult Class</i>	

If you are unable to serve...please contact Wade Tummins, in advance. (cell 931-209-6291)

If changes need to be made in scheduling please contact Jimmy Phy.

Sunday Morning Bible School	105
Sunday Morning Worship	170
Sunday Evening Worship	86
Wed. Mid-week Bible Study (10/11)	109
Sunday Contribution	-\$8,606
Number of Seeds Planted	20

Terri Tummins/Teresa Fleming

Listen to: "The Truth In Love" Sunday on AM1060/93.5FM@ 8:15am