

Chapter 2 : “The Sermon On Pentecost.....continued from Oct 15th bulletin

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

Thus, the reference to the sun being turned into darkness before the coming of the great and notable day of the Lord may very well be hyperbolic language to describe the great changes in God’s economy that are beginning to take place here on the day of Pentecost. Too we must recall that when Christ was crucified some fifty days before the Pentecost of Acts 2, “from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land unto the ninth hour” (Matthew 27:45).

What is “that great and notable day of the Lord” referred to in verse 20? While some think it refers to the second coming of Christ and the final judgment, the context of the passages points to the memorable Pentecost of Acts 2. We must keep in mind that from “before the foundation of the world” (Ephesians 1”4), God had planned for humanity’s redemption “according to the eternal purpose which He purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord” (Epheisnas 3:11). Throughout the Old Testament the prophets had spoken of this glorious plan. Of this salvation the prophets have inquired and searched diligently, who prophesied of the grace that would come to you, searching what, or what manner of time, the Spirit of Christ who was in them was indicating when He (that is, the Spirit of Christ) testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ and the glories that would follow” (II Peter 1:10-11). This eternal purpose and plan of God came to fruition on the “great and notable day” of Pentecost when the gospel was set forth in its completeness, enabling “whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord” to be saved (verse 21). Paul, in Romans 10:14, quotes the same passage from Joel, affirming that “whoever calls upon the name of the Lord will be saved.”

What does it mean to “call on the name of the Lord”? A study of the conversions in the book of Acts, beginning with the three thousand on the day of Pentecost, will reveal fully what one does to “call on the name of the Lord” and be saved. Let it be stressed that to “call on the name of the Lord” involves more than simply saying, “Lord, Lord.” Please note: “whoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved” (verse 21). But Jesus declared, “Not everyone that saith to me, Lord, Lord, shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven” (Matthew 7:21). If all who who “call on the name of the Lord” will be saved, but not everyone who says, “Lord, Lord,” will be saved, then the conclusion is irresistible that calling on the name of the Lord involves more than a verbal or mental calling out of the Lord’s name! As Jesus clearly stated, those who enter the kingdom of heaven will be those who do the will of the Father who is in heaven. To “call on the name of the Lord” means to obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ (II Thessalonians 1:7-9). The book of Acts sets forth in careful detail exactly how that is done. Saul of Tarsus, for instance, in arising and being baptized to have his sins washed away, called on the name of the Lord (Acts 22:16).

An Affirmation that Jesus of Nazareth is the Messiah: Verses 22-36

Peter now proceeds to the heart of his sermon—the affirmation that Jesus of Nazareth is indeed the long awaited Messiah and the savior of all mankind. He proves the deity of Christ by emphasizing several truths about Christ.

First, he affirms that Jesus of Nazareth was a man *approved of God*. The New American Standard Version renders the word “approved” as “attested.” A footnote in that version says “accredited.” So Jesus of Nazareth had God’s stamp of approval upon Him. Peter says that Jesus was approved “by miracles and wonders and signs which God did by Him’ (verse 22). A miracle is a supernatural act, a wonder is the effect that the miracle had upon the observer, and a sign is that which the miracle indicates or proves.

\*The above article is a continuation from the book “The Kind of Preaching Needed Today” by Hugh Fulford, published 2006.

On Our Prayer List...

Evie Jean Smith-*in Horizon* Elton Smith Martha Durham-*@ home*  
Rita Stephens-CA Richard Lory-*home on hospice* Dorothy Killebrew

Harold (*now hm*) & Patsy Sanders-(*fractured hip repair in rehab in Waverly*) Scottie Lashlee-(Michelle’s husband) cataract sg  
Natasha Chandler-Carter & Journey’s mom-recent sg Shirley Arnold-(*Shane Mayfield’s mother-in-law*) had surg on 11/13  
Virgil Wright-(Amy Tester’s dad) suppose to be moved to Humphreys County NH for rehab. Presley Carter(*Alex’s dad*) blood clots-  
Tessa Estes(Jacob& Lindsey(Baker) Estes baby girl-still in Vanderbilt recovering fr surg Julie Shannon-Bob Thomason’s dght-CA  
Waylon Lammel-(*friend of N. Buttrey’s*) baby @Children’s hosp in Knoxville on ventilator Dale Brock-(*fr Diane Curtis*) multiple hlt issues  
Beth Schreiber Fritts (*Wesley Parrish’s cousin*) breast CA Jimmy Arnold (*Bruce&Roxanne’s son’s father-in-law*)CA  
Darrell Tummins-*fr Sylvia COC-in now in Hospital in Nashville* June Dreaden –S. Rachford’s mom  
Mary Gugelchuk-(Michelle Lashlee’s grandmother)surg on Nov 7th Mary Ann Gray –CA (*friend of N. Buttrey’s*)  
April Howton-(*Sammy Long’s dght*)-Breast CA Carter Robb 1 yr old– CA treatments  
Kathy Czyszszak-(*friend of Gail Forster’s*)fell & fractured shoulder Annette Smith (*Carl’s wife*) stroke  
Carolyn Eddings-taking cancer treatments Sue Smith-(*Joe’s mom*) Faye Marshall-(Traci Adams) mom  
Maggie Wright (*friend of N. Buttrey*)CA-chemo Kim Marlow-CA (*F.Featherstone-dght/Regina’s sis*) Kenna Rickenbrode-CA  
Virginia Tate-(*D. Gentry’s mom*) Jerry & Judy Smith /Becky Keele-CA treatments/Marsha Simpson-M. Burns aunt-broken back/

ASSISTED LIVING & NURSING HOME		MILITARY
<u>AHC Decatur County</u> -726 Kentucky Ave, Parsons,TN 38363-Wyle Marshall (Rm 726)-Traci Adams dad		Dustin Proctor-( <i>Navy-Japan</i> )
<u>Dickson Health &amp; Rehab</u> –901 North Charlotte,Dickson,TN 37055 –Clayton England - <i>Marvin’s brother</i>		PSC 562 Box 7273 FPO AP 96311-0073
<u>Humphreys County</u> -104 Forte Hill Rd/Waverly,TN.37185 –Billy Adams-Rm 712 / Ann Spicer		Dalton & Hope Palk - ( <i>Navy-Louisiana</i> )
<u>Lifecare Center of Centerville</u> -112 Dickson Rd,Centerville, TN 37033/Jim(Rm309) & Earline(Rm315) Davis		500 Woodland Dr. Apt 597 New Orleans, LA 70131
<u>NHC</u> -812 N. Charlotte St. Dickson, TN 7055 –Thelma Carpenter-Amy & Bo’s mom Doris Stokes-(Rm 127)		

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ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS		Congrats to those having perfect attendance in Bible Class last quarter!!! Ty Adams Hudson Buttrey Jack Grigsby Sawyer Grigsby
<u>Upcoming Needs for this week:</u> <u>Thanksgiving Meal &amp; Coat Giveaway-this Sat, Nov 18th from 11:30-1:00...Still need some help with both on Sat</u> <u>Coats</u> -can still give money donations to Derek Berry-man or can bring coats. <u>Meal</u> -still in need of some food, sign-up sheet still on the back table of auditorium-if preparing a dish, please pick up a pan from downstairs or in the foyer to use. <u>Fruit Baskets-this Sunday, Nov 19<sup>th</sup></u> Still need snacks & fruit, please bring by Sunday morning. If you can help with assembly of the baskets, please be here at the building this Sunday at 12:00 noon. Can pick-up bas-	<u>Two Exciting Opportunities:</u> 1. <u>New Adult Bible Class</u> - starting on Sunday mornings (now-Nov 19th), downstairs in the fellowship room Study will be on how we can learn & relate to Biblical characters lives in our lives today 2.In need of “ <b>Greeters</b> ”! Is a great way to let members & visitors know how important they are to us & the Lord!!!	Ladies Christmas Exchange Nov 19th after PM services. Bring a \$8.00-\$10 item & finger foods.

|||||||..... *IN F.O.C.U.S.* Faith, Obedience, Unity, Character, Salvation ~~~~~|||||||

Our youth activities for last week began on Wednesday with FLAME. Our youth met at 5:00 and worked on a project for our veterans which was presented to them at their Veteran’s Day luncheon on Friday. After the project, we enjoyed a great meal together before heading to bible class. I appreciate all the kiddos that came and for the time we had to spend together. Our only other activity was our devotional on Sunday night. We had a group of 11 youth and 12 adults in attendance. We began with a devotional period together followed by a great meal. We had break-fast for supper and that is always a good thing in my eyes! I appreciate all our youth that came as well as the adults. We enjoyed a great time of fellowship!

Please remember our Thanksgiving meal and coat giveaway this coming Saturday. Parents, please encourage your kids to come and help serve in some fashion during this great event! The event begins at 11:30 and ends at 1:00. The kids are welcome to come at a time that works best for them. In Christian Love, Keith

# SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

## Sunday November 19<sup>th</sup> 2023

Welcome .....	W. R. Long
Lead Singing.....	Mark Forster
1 <sup>st</sup> Prayer.....	Ronnie Tyler
Sermon.....	John Potter
Lord's Table.....	Bruce Mayfield
Gerald Curtis	Ethan Tummins
Derek Berryman	Mike Burns
Jim Ridings	Brent Davis
Closing Prayer.....	Wayne Berryman
Collect Cards.....	Jesse Kilpatrick & Jack Grigsby
Greeters.....	Not at this time
Nursery.....	Not at this time
Collect Cups.....	
Security.....	Team #2

## Sunday 6PM, November 19<sup>th</sup> 2023

Lead Singing.....	Mark Forster
Prayer.....	Keith Grigsby
Sermon.....	John Potter
Lord's Table.....	Calvin Buckner Todd Mullinicks
Closing Prayer.....	John Hurt

## Wednesday 6:30 PM, November 22<sup>nd</sup> 2023

Lead Singing.....	Jimmy Long
Prayer.....	Mark Forster
Adult Class.....	

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.

**OUR RECORDS for 11/12/2023**

Sunday Morning Bible School	— — — — —	123
Sunday Morning Worship	— — — — —	178
Sunday Evening Worship	— — — — —	118
Wed. Mid-week Bible Study (11/8)	— — — — —	120
Sunday Contribution	— — — — —	\$7,323
Number of Seeds Planted	— — — — —	7



# The MESSENGER

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*A Caring Church Lifting Up The CROSS And CROWN of CHRIST*

### Schedule of Services

*Sunday*

*Bible Study*.....9:00am  
*Worship*.....10:00am  
*Evening*.....6:00pm

*Wednesday*

*Bible Study..... 6:30pm*

Elders:

<i>James Buckner</i>	<i>Calvin Buckner</i>
<i>Billy Buttrey</i>	<i>Bruce Mayfield</i>
<i>W.R. Long</i>	<i>Mike Robertson</i>

Deacons:

Derek Berryman	Mike Burns
Wayne Coates	Mark Forster
John Hurt	Barry Phy
Robert Proctor	James Ridings
Elton Smith	Joe Smith
Dwight Stuart	Drew Swearns
Dennis Teator	Ethan Tummins
Wade Tummins	Ronnie Tyler

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