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"From Where I Sit"

Todd Parsley



The first Sunday of the new year saw us endure colder temps and yes, snow! We awakened Monday morning to a beautiful blanket of white. But we also worshipped God on the first Sunday of 2022 and we will be blessed to gather 51 more Sundays this year to worship Him if He allows us to. We introduced our theme of 1 Corinthians 15:58, "Always Abounding" "Steadfast & Immovable in 2022". I was asked Sunday what does "abounding" mean? Have you really ever thought about it? Upon looking up the definition of "abound", you will find that it says; to exist in large numbers or amounts. Some of the synonyms for "abound" are: to thrive, flourish, boundless and inexhaustible. With that definition can we say we "always abound"? Do we thrive as we go about doing the work of the Lord? Do we flourish, or are we inexhaustible as we carry out what God has given us, His children, to do while we are here on this earth? We will examine throughout the year this great passage and how it should motivate us to a greater level to do the work of the Lord.

Paul reminds us in chapter 15 of the Gospel and the resurrection of Christ. Christ came to pay the price so all would have means and opportunity to be saved if they but follow the Word of God and be obedient to it. All who are Christians, those who have been obedient to the gospel are to carry on the Work the Lord started while He was here on earth. In Matthew 4:17 we read of the start of the Lord's earthly ministry. From that time Jesus began to preach, and to teach, Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand. That kingdom is the church and all those who are in the kingdom are to do as the Lord Himself commanded in Matthew 28:19-20 as He gave the Great Commission. *"Go therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world".*

I'm excited for the opportunities to study and grow spiritually in this New Year! It is time to begin to always abound in the Lord's Work. Find someone willing to hear God's Word and teach them what God would have them do to be saved.

God Bless -Todd

Camp Snowball

2021

KEN McDONALD HALL



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Thank You

The following have expressed their thanks for the Sunshine Bags: Pam Tooker, Janet Barber, Ann Johnston, June & Petsie Bowen, Coleen Williams, Mary Katherine Bates, Martha Loveless, Donna Blackwell, Loretta Cunningham

Janis Rediker writes: Thank you so much for the outpouring of love during my surgery and recovery. The thoughts and prayers, many cards, calls, food and gift certificates we are most thankful.

The Rediker Family

Albren and Margie Copley write:

"We deeply appreciate being remembered during the holiday season with a Sunshine Bag filled with a delicious assortment of snacks, sweets, and fruits. We have enjoyed each treat greatly, and our days have been brightened by your kindness. I also want to thank you for your love, concern, and prayers for us and our family during this extremely sad and difficult time of the passing of our precious daughter Winnie. We are richly blessed by this wonderful church family."

Dorris & Margie Claud write:

"Thank you so much for the many birthday cards, notes, phone calls and especially the Sunshine bag. We really appreciate you remembering us."

Sympathy

...We express our sympathy to the family of Greg Peters who passed away. He was the son of Norman & Barbara Peters of Nunnally.

...We express our sympathy to the family of Winnie Copley Coleraine who passed away. Winnie was the daughter of Albren & Margie Copley and cousin of Becky (Gary) Gatewood.

...We express our sympathy to the family of Mike Sanders who passed away.

Memorial

...a Memorial has been given to the McDonald Camp Fund and the Morrison Scholarship Fund in memory of Don & Jane Luckett by Trey & Dana Luckett Garrard.



STEWARDSHIP REPORT

CONTRIBUTION

December 26:

\$ 35,427.03

Camp: \$ 224.00

January 2:

\$14,733.56

Camp:

\$ 267.00

Budget:

\$ 12,979.00



January Items:

**Hot Sauce
Apple Juice
Grape Juice**

A Baby Girl!



Congratulations to Ethan & Laura Dotson on the birth of a baby girl December 20, 2021. Evelyn Rea Dotson was born in Hawaii. Proud grandparents are Stephen & Lisa Dotson.

College Graduate



Congratulations to *Madelyn True* on her recent graduation from Tennessee Tech with a Bachelor's Degree in Health Science Biology and a Minor in Psychology.

**Please inform the office of other graduates*

Please Pray For:

...Kim Bowen, sister of Todd Parsley, is recovering at home after being in hospital due to blood clots.

...Janet Barber spent a couple of days in the local hospital due to congestive heart failure. She is recovering at home and doing much better.

...Joe Shipp, brother of Betty Breece, will be undergoing treatments for cancer. He lives in Hohenwald.

...Kari Pitts, daughter of Sherry Galey, is recovering at home from a broken foot.

...Mark Chessor had a bone marrow biopsy January 4th. He will begin chemotherapy treatments soon.

...Carmela Brown, daughter of Tim & Pam Griggs, is recovering at home.

...Alex Chambers is recovering at the Nashville Center for Rehabilitation and Healing 832 Wedgewood Avenue, Room 204 Nashville, Tn. 37203 He can have visitors each day from 8a - 7p, 2 people at a time.

Recovering from surgery or other illness: Alex Chambers, Lowell Parsley, Pam Anderson, Melvin Roberson, Loudean Qualls, Reba Horner, Dan Elkins, Ann Spencer

Please Pray For Those Who Are

Dealing With Cancer: Mark Chessor, Shirley Harris Burns, Luther Brown, Kari Mobley, Steve Higginbotham, Everett Kelley

Home:

John Thomas Givens, Lonnie & Marilyn Gilliam, Bobby & Joyce Mayberry, Claudine Morrison, Dorris Claud, A.J. & Willie B. Coates, Sue Roder, Troy Parks

Nursing Home Life Care Center:

Katherine Hoover, Louise Gordon, Brownie Mayberry, Donna Blackwell, Betty Davis, Betty Claud, Addie Bell Nash, Georgia Moss, Larry Talley

St. Thomas Hickman Nursing Home:

Winnie Aydelott, Martha Bates, Francis McClanahan

Bobbie June Kittrell: 8353 Highway 100 Apt. 102 Nashville, Tennessee 37221

Robert Gilmer: Poplar Estates 1310 Rosewood Drive Columbia, TN. 38401

Marge Gilmer: Poplar Estates 1310 Rosewood Drive Memory Care Columbia, TN. 38401



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The Shepherd's Pen

This past Sunday the theme for 2022 "Always Abounding" was shared with the congregation. These words of encouragement come from the apostle Paul, as he writes to the church of Corinth. *"Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord."* (I Corinthians 15:58) These words of encouragement are as powerful today as when first penned by Paul. The new year brings new opportunity, presented to you by God. Last year, with all its disappointments and despair belong to the past. What is passed is passed. Do not allow such thoughts to prevent you from moving forward with hope and courage. Grab hold of every opportunity that presents itself this year, and trust that you will complete what you start in faith. A deep sense of trust that your love for God and your unwavering faith in Him will make all things work together for your good. Positive spiritual thinking brings about positive spiritual results. Enter the new year with an awareness of the presence of God in your life, knowing that he holds your destiny in His Hands. Expect from His loving hand only what is best for you. Looking forward to seeing you Sunday. Let us all be steadfast, immovable and abounding!

Your Elders

PLACE
STAMP
HERE



Men's Worship Training Workshop

Saturday, January 8, 2022

8-10 A.M.

8:00: Breakfast in Fellowship Hall

8:30 Workshop In Auditorium

Sign-Up Sheet In The Lobby



January 16, 2022

Worship at 5 P.M.

Chili Cook-Off 6 P.M.

**In The Fellowship Hall
Bring Your Favorite Chili,
Cheese, Crackers,
Cookies or Brownies**

Order of Worship Week of January 2

Prayer Week of January 9

S.M.W.
Daniel Dressler

S.M.D.
Cory Martin

S.E.W.
George Bragg

S.E.D.
Chris Teet

W.E.B.S
Philip Jacobs

W.E.D.
Weston Elkins

Read Scripture

January 9

James Aydelott

Elders' Prayer
January 9
Shane Willis

Preside

January 9:

Wayne Qualls

January Celebrations!



Ken & Tina Dickerson
Married 54 Years
January 19, 2022



Bobby Roder
92 Years Old
January 21, 2022