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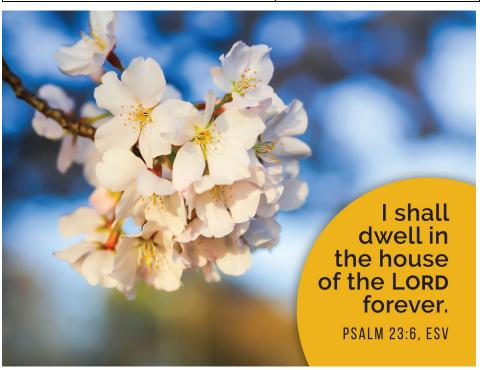
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OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, 9/24	
Sunday School	10:00am
Morning Worship	11:00am
Assoc. Fall Meeting/Sand Hill Baptist	3:00pm
Tuesday, 9/19	
Ensemble Practice	6:00pm
Wednesday, 9/20	
Prayer/Bible Study	6:30pm
Youth & Children's Bible Study	6:30pm
Adult Choir Practice	7:30pm
Thursday, 9/21	-
Property Committee	7:30pm
Associational Meeting Choir Practice (Sand Hill)	7:30pm

SERVANTS September 24, 2017

NURSERY AM

Ruthie Wall

USHERS

Charles Coker, Charles Carlson, Justin Williams, Larry Manuel

GREETERS

Linda Rowell, Sandy Shirley

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Lynn Manuel

SEPTEMBER 24 TELLERS

Joey Oswald & Butch Sauls

GOD IS GOOD ALL THE TIME!

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Oak Brook Health & Rehab: 920 Travelers Blvd., Summerville 29485 - Dot Whitson (Rm. 115A)

JEH Nursing Home: Jacqueline Kearse, Delores Brunson, Jean Ferguson, Hazel Mathis, Celia Jones, Betty Sanders, Mary Reid Briana's Residential Care: Hilda Rahn St Matthews Convalescence Center: Omma Lee Folk, Box 157, 601 Dantzler St., 29135 Emerald Gardens Assisted Living: 201 Overland Dr., Greenwood, SC 29646 (Rm. 315) - Ann Tyler

At Home: Willis Bowers, Katie Champagne, Joe & Louise Cook, Sara Cook, Tyler Donahue, Clyde Furman, Sara Gallagher, Donnie Jones, Mike Hauptmann, Horace Kearse, Kathi Loadholt, Peggy Loadholt, Billy Main, Mott McElveen, Susan Royster, Patti Sullivan, Latrelle Still, Cambridge Stone, Glory Thomas, L.R. Thomas, Mary Williams, Myrna Wilson

Friends & Family: Ginger Altman, Raymond Bennett, Thomas Benton, David Brabham, Peggy Brabham, Sara Jo Brown, Jimmy Burbage, Rev. Gene Carroll, Holly Coker, David Cook, Jr., Hank & Claire Coath, Sally Chassereau (Libby's sister), Holly Coker, Charles Cribb, Jeff Dole, Linda Dyches (Cecelia's sister-in law), Laney Futch (niece of Lynn), Faye Gooding, Leslie Flenikan, Carrie Grubbs (Virginia's granddaughter), Todd Grubbs, Dot Harvey, David Horn, Ron Huber, Betty Hutto, Terry Jones, Richard Koenig, Ann Keys, Marie Lee, David Lightsey, Gabriel Litchfield, Margaret Long, Annelle McCaskey, Lexie Monroe, Resa Monts, Ross McMillan, Betty Overstreet, Azilee Polk, Reid Porter, Jr., Shirley & Penny Robinson, Cliff Rogers, Helen Ruble, Megan Sharpe, Howard Simmons, Elizabeth Smith, Eugene Smith, Mark Smith, Sharon Snider, Rachel Stanford, Mary Ann Stanley (Sadie's Sister), Nellie Sullivan, Patti Sullivan, Rev. Steve Vassar, Rachel Wiggins, Romonda Williams, W. K. & Elese Windham, Blanche Winstead, Dennis Wright, Emily Wright (Dot Googe's sister)

OUR ACTIVE MILITARY: John Mark Cook, Major Lindi Kirkland, US Air Force

PRAY WITHOUT CEASING

Sermon Topic and Scripture

Matthew 13:44-52

"Treasure Hidden in a Field"

Discipleship

God Is Up to Something

It does little good to see God in the trouble if you view Him as passive. God is actively doing something, that trouble has a purpose. That is what Joseph meant when he declared, "True enough you planned evil against me, but God planned it for good, to bring about what today is fact, the keeping alive of much people" (Gen. 50:20, Berkeley).

Notice carefully in that great declaration of faith and understanding that the very same trouble (selling Joseph into Egypt)—with all of the troubles that followed—was calculated by man and by God to produce entirely different results. Truly, man proposes but God disposes. So you have a choice; you may concentrate on what man is doing or on what God is doing in the trouble. And what a difference it makes whether you focus on what God is up to or what man is up to!

Whenever trouble comes, it is important, then to ask yourself not only what others are up to (i.e., planning and doing), but what God is up to (planning and doing). Notice too how Joseph sees the ultimate purpose behind all of his hardship and suffering. It was larger than the blessings and benefits he personally received; he saw his trouble as the way God intended to bring about the survival of many people! Doubtless, earlier he began to see some of the personal blessings that God also intended for him. These brought meaning and purpose into his trials. But later on, he began to realize that God was up to much more; there was a purpose in Joseph's trouble that extended to others. Joseph began to see himself as a man of destiny.

You too are a person with a destiny; much more is happening when trouble comes your way than you will understand for some time to come.

From, *How to Handle Trouble*, by Jay Adams

SYMPATHY

Our Christian Love and Sympathy to Virginia Kinard and family on the loss of her husband, Douglas Kinard.

Our Christian Love and Sympathy to Brenda Bennett and family on the loss of her Husband, Sammy Bennett.

HOW TO HELP IRMA VICTIMS

You can give financially to the South Carolina Baptist Convention Disaster Relief Fund. Make checks to either Fairfax FBC or the South Carolina Baptist Convention and designate for "Irma Disaster Relief."

You can also bring in supplies to the church this week. Bottled water, clothes, and toiletries are some of the items most needed.

HANDBELL PRACTICE BEGINS

Handbells will begin ringing Monday, September 25 at 7:00pm. Anyone interested please come on the 25th. Any questions see Sandra. You do not need to read music to ring. If you can count you can ring.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

The youth will be collecting items for Operation Christmas Child again this year. Please bring the item requested for each month and put in the box in the church office. For September we are asking for a small toy (suggestions: jump rope, marbles, harmonica, small cars or trucks. No stuffed animals, please).

3 ALUMINUM BENCHES

The church voted to buy 3 aluminum benches for the JEH Nursing Home. They are \$330.00 each, a total of \$990.00. If anyone would like to contribute make check out to the church and designate it for that.

Property Committee Meeting Thursday, September 21st at 7:30pm

Stewardship Meeting Wednesday, September 27th at 5:30pm.

Men's Ministry Meeting Thursday, September 28th at 7:00pm.

YOUTH AND PARENTS MEETING

The youth & their parent will meet on Sunday, October 1, 2017 at 4:00pm to discuss youth activities for the year.

VISITATION TEAMS

Visitation Team 4 Nix & Peggy Loadholt and Marsha Ann Wiley will visit the week of September 24.

ASSOCIATIONAL FALL MEETING

Our annual Associational Fall Meeting will be this Sunday, September 24th at 3:00pm at Sand Hill Baptist Church. Concert begins at 2:30pm.

COUNSELORS NEEDED

Counselors are needed for the Men's Wild Game Banquet (Thursday, October 26, 2017, 7:00pm at Jubilee Market in Varnville). Four different opportunities for training are available: Tuesday, September 26 and Tuesday, October 3 at 1:00pm and 7:00pm. Please let Butch Sauls or Pastor David know if you are interested in this ministry opportunity.

OUR RECORD SPEAKS 9/17/2017

SS Enrollment/Attendance	128/75
SS Visitors/New Members	2/0
Morning Worship	94
Building Fund	\$50.00
Benches for JEH Nursing Home	\$100.00
State Missions	\$100.00
Community Missions	\$3.00
Budget Offering	\$2372.75
Budget Needs (weekly)	\$3798.00