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Busy Here and There"

By Bill Jackson

A study of 1 Kings will lead one to examine the wickedness of Ahab, and also to see the real power behind him, that wicked and idolatrous Jezebel. These two had a real, powerful and spiritual adversary in God's servant, Elijah. There were other men of the prophets whom God used in bringing Ahab to the end his behavior demanded.

In a second period of conflict with the Syrians, God had promised to deliver them into the hands of Israel. God's people were greatly victorious, and the Syrian king then made a plea for the sparing of his life, and Ahab, calling him a "brother," spared him. God's words of rebuke were brought to Ahab in the form of a story wherein a man charged with keeping a prisoner safe, allowed him to escape. Ahab responded to the story in the enforcing of the penalty upon the guard; whereupon, the point turned against Ahab, who had the Syrian king in his grasp and lit him live. Of importance to us just here is the point, in the story, that the man on guard allowed his prisoner to escape because "I was busy here and there" (1 Kings 20:40).

"I was busy here and there" has other forms: "This and that" "taking care of things" "seeing to business" "getting straightened out", etc. It all boils down to failing to put the things of God first in our lives (Matthew 6:33). Those who do visitation and personal work every often will hear this given as a reason for non-<u>attendance</u>, non-participation: "Well, we've been so busy, we're going to do better as soon as we get straightened out." BUSY HERE AND THERE, AND LETTING THE THINGS OF GOD BE IGNORED.

It so happens that our times are such that anyone can "be busy here and there" and with "this and that," and never find time for God's things! Time is there on the calendar and on the clock, but it is MADE for God! I'll have time for no spiritual thing unless I MAKE IT! Let's plan to not lose our souls because we were "busy here and there!"

I would rather fail in a cause that someday will triumph, than triumph in a cause that someday will fail. *Now thanks be to God, which always causeth us to triumph in Christ...2 Cor. 2:14*

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FEBRUARY

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ANNIVERSARIES: 30- Kyle & Ginger Foster, 11-David & Gail Keel, 16-Edward Ray & Jean Ford, 22-Norris & Shan De Priest, 27- Patrick & Kim Lindsey

WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?

We must hear the word of God. Romans 10:17 We must believe the word of God. Hebrews 11:6; John 3:16; Mark 16:15-16 We must repent of our sins. Luke 13:3; Acts 2:38 We must confess Christ before men. Matthew 10:32-33; Romans 10:9-10 We must be immersed for the remission of our sins. Acts 2:38; 22:16; I Peter 3:21 We must live faithfully until death. Revelation 2:10; Romans 12:1-2

•THOSE TO SERVE – FEBRUARY: LIST IN FOYER

(Please check for your assignment and PLEASE contact one of the Deacons if you know you are going to be absent on that date).

DATES TO REMEMBER:

••February 18th – 21st: Winter Meeting with Dorian Flynn (Monthly Fellowship Lunch TODAY. All visitors invited to be our guests! Mon-Wed services at 7 p.m. Each one, bring one!

<u>SHUT-INS /NURSING HOME</u>: Margaret Barlowe, Van Ayer Manor, 640 Hannings Lane, Martin 38327, Martha Nell Reed, Lakeside Retirement Community, 390 Dr. Smith Lane, McKenzie 38201, Elvy Sauls Jr., Life Care of Bruceton, 105 Rowland Ave., Bruceton 38317 Ruth Bennett and Leona Aden both at McKenzie Healthcare.

PRAYER LIST: Mrs. Leona Aden, Charlie Wachsmuth; Lori's mother, Kafi Greene will have surgery at Vanderbilt on Feb. 22nd; Sybil Hamilton, David Bryant's aunt; Paisley Morgan Bennie Alford, Tom Aden, Jimmy McClain, Christina Cannon, Margaret Barlowe, Harold Tyler, Demetrius Burnett, Lois Arrington, Doris Haskell, Mary Bryant, Tim Rogers, Harold Hutcherson, Charles Foster, Vicki Murphy (Lexington), Mike Lane, Penny Warren, Callie Bryant, Allison Farley sick last week; Prayers to the family of Nick and Lacey Appleton in the passing of Nick's grandfather, Dr. Joe Appleton. Mike Cobb was in a serious accident. this is Brittany Foster's, (teacher at WCP), father.

CANCER: Joe Gordon, Linda Cherry, Jackie Smith, Keith Inman. Lynn Harrison, Barry Barber, Carmen Bobbitt McCain, Sue Price; Deborah Browning; Hattie Brinkley Berry, Christine Johnson, Jimmy Greene,, Lalanie Murphy, Wanda Barnes Ricky Griffin (Dylan Holt's Uncle) *cards requested-700 WC Nursing Home Rd., Rm. 33, Dresden 38225*

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DATES	WEEK OF FEB. 4	WEEK OF FEB. 11	WEEK OF FEB. 18	WEEK OF FEB. 25	
PREPARE LORD'S SUPPER	SHERRILL SMITH	SHERRILL SMITH	SHERRILL SMITH	SHERRILL SMITH	
GREET	GREG AND LORI	GREG AND LORI	GREG AND LORI	GREG AND LORI	
POWERPOINT	DAVID BRASHER	DAVID BRASHER	DAVID BRASHER	DAVID BRASHER	
ANNOUNCEMENTS	DAVID BRYANT	DAVID BRYANT	DAVID BRYANT	DAVID BRYANT	
OPENING PRAYER SUNDAY A.M.	JACOB PEEVYHOUSE	TIM ROGERS	KEITH PEEVYHOUSE	DALE BALLENTINE	
LEAD SINGING SUNDAY A.M.	NICK BRYANT	NICK BRYANT	NICK BRYANT	NICK BRYANT	
PRESIDE LORD'S SUPPER	JOHN HENRY LONG	JOHN HENRY LONG	JOHN HENRY LONG	JOHN HENRY LONG	
PRESIDE LORD'S SUPPER	STEVE FOSTER	STEVE FOSTER	STEVE FOSTER	STEVE FOSTER	
SERVE LORD'S SUPPER	BARRY MOORE DALTON MOORE DYLAN HOLT JACOB KEEN				
SCRIPTURE READING SUNDAY A.M.	DANIEL ROGERS	JACK LAWRENCE	TERRY HALL	DREW KELLEY	
CLOSING PRAYER SUNDAY A.M.	MARK WRIGHT	JOSHUA BRASHER	NOAH BRASHER	NORRIS DEPREIST	
OPENING PRAYER SUNDAY P.M.	DALE ADEN	KEITH PEEVYHOUSE	DAVID BRYANT	STEVE FOSTER	
LEAD SINGING SUNDAY P.M.	JACOB PEEVYHOUSE	JACOB PEEVYHOUSE	JACOB PEEVYHOUSE	JACOB PEEVYHOUSE	
SCRIPTURE READING SUNDAY P.M.	STEVE FOSTER	MARK WRIGHT	DANIEL ROGERS	DALE BALLENTINE	
CLOSING PRAYER SUNDAY P.M.	DALE ADEN	DYLAN HOLT	JACK LAWRENCE	JACOB KEEN	
OPENING PRAYER WEDNESDAY	FEBBRUARY TIM ROGERS	FEBRUARY 14 NICK BRYANT	FEBRUARY 21 DALE ADEN	FEBRUARY 28 STEVE FOSTER	
LEAD SINGING WEDNESDAY	DAVID BRYANT	DAVID BRYANT	DAVID BRYANT	DAVID BRYANT	
DEVOTIONAL WEDNESDAY	MARK WRIGHT	JACOB PEEVYHOUSE	TIM ROGERS	NICK BRYANT	
CLOSING PRAYER WEDNESDAY	JACOB KEEN	MONTE PAUL MORRIS	DANIEL ROGERS	JOSHUA BRASHER	

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