

***Are We Prepared For Our Destined Appointments??***

In Medieval times, a king would often have a jester to entertain him and to cheer him up when he was sad or troubled. The jester would tell funny stories, perform tricks, and do almost anything to amuse and distract the king in his difficult moments. The jester was called the king's "fool."

As the story goes, a certain king enjoyed his jester's performances very much, making him laugh so easily. One day, the king handed the royal scepter to the jester and said, "If you ever find a fool greater than yourself, give this scepter to him." After a while, the king grew deathly ill. Feeling very melancholy, the king called for the jester, hoping that he could make him feel better.

When the jester arrived the king said, "Ah, jester, I fear that I am about to depart upon a long journey." "Have you known about this journey for long?" the jester inquired. "Well, yes I have" the king replied. The jester then asked, "Have you prepared for this journey?" "No," the king replied, "I'm afraid I have not." Then, handing the royal scepter to the king, the jester said: "Then this belongs to you -for you are a greater fool than I."

Wise are those who prepare for appointments that they know they **must keep**. Two such appointments that each and every one of us must keep are death (unless the Lord comes first) and the judgment to come. The Hebrew writer tells us, "It is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment" (Hebrews 9:27). Have we prepared ourselves for these appointments? Because of His great love, God sent His Son Jesus into the world that through Him we might be prepared for these unavoidable and destined appointments.

The Hebrew writer tells us, "***So Christ was offered once to bear the sins of many***" (***Hebrews 9:28***). ***On the cross, Jesus bore the sins of the world upon Himself, and Paid the price for our sins (1 Peter 2:24; Isaiah 53:6; Acts 20:28)***. We may receive the Benefits of His sacrificial death by faith (Romans 10:17; cf. Hebrews 11:6), repentance (Acts 17:30--31), confession (Romans 10:9-10), baptism for the remission of sins (Acts 2:38), and then "walking in the light as He is in the light" through a life of obedience to God's will (1 John 1:7; Matthew 7:21).

To those who have obeyed the Gospel and "eagerly wait for Him, He will appear a second time, apart from sin, for salvation" (Hebrews 9:28). No remedy remains, however, if we die in our sins and enter eternity without God. If Christ is not our in-bearer, we will bear our own sins in judgment. Knowing all of these things, let's ask ourselves, "Are we prepared for our destined appointments?"

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## APRIL

**BIRTHDAYS:** 4- Mandy Bryant, 22- Shirley Jennings, 24-Kay Greenway, 25- Judy Keen, 30-Jennifer Hall Wroten

**ANNIVERSARIES:** 12-David & Pam Bryant

## 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 – April 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:

•April 7<sup>th</sup> Wedding Shower Brunch for Bethany Aden Davenport ... 11 a.m. - Noon (Come & Go.)

Gift cards suggested. We will have a Gift Card tree.

•April 8<sup>th</sup>: Fellowship Lunch—Invite a friend or family!



**SHUT-INS /NURSING HOME:** 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

**PRAYER LIST** Jeanie Brasher had eye surgery Monday; Lori McClain, Alison Farley, Christine Aden were sick this past week; Mark Allen (Valerie's husband) will be having tests next week; Mary Jo's sister, Leann Tidwell **Coleman**; Wanda Smith; Nikki Bell, (friend of Daniel's); Kaffie Green; Sybil Hamilton, Charlie Wachsmuth, Jimmy McClain; Tom Aden; Christina Cannon; Margaret Barlowe; Doris Haskell; Mary Bryant; Tim Rogers; Harold Hutcherson; Charles Fosterl; Penny Warren; Vicki Murphy (Lexington); Mike Lane; Ruth Bennett, Heather Harris, Chris Bowers

**CANCER:** Roger McCaig (condition has worsened); Denise Clemmer; Kenneth Foster; Joe Gordon; Linda Cherry; Jackie Smith; Keith Inman; Lynn Harrison; Barry Barber; Sue Price; Deborah Browning; Rhyen Loos; Hattie Brinkley Berry; Christine Johnson; Jimmy Greene; Lalanie Murphy

## APRIL 18

| DATES                         | WEEK OF 04/01                                                         | WEEK OF 04/8                                                          | WEEK OF 04/15                                                         | WEEK OF 04/22                                                         | WEEK OF 04/29                                                         |
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| PREPARE LORD'S SUPPER         | GREG AND LORI                                                         | GREG AND LORI                                                         | GREG AND LORI                                                         | GREG AND APRIL                                                        | GREG AND APRIL                                                        |
| GREET                         | TIM AND WENDY                                                         | TIM AND WENDY                                                         | TIM AND WENDY                                                         | TIM AND WENDY                                                         | TIM AND WENDY                                                         |
| POWERPOINT                    | KEITH PEEVYHOUSE                                                      | KEITH PEEVYHOUSE                                                      | KEITH PEEVYHOUSE                                                      | KEITH PEEVYHOUSE                                                      | KEITH PEEVYHOUSE                                                      |
| ANNOUNCEMENTS                 | DAVID BRYANT                                                          | DAVID BRYANT                                                          | DAVID BRYANT                                                          | DAVID BRYANT                                                          | DAVID BRYANT                                                          |
| OPENING PRAYER SUNDAY A.M.    | JOHN HENRY LONG                                                       | DALE ADEN                                                             | SHERRILL SMITH                                                        | DALE BALLENTINE                                                       | WILLIAM MOORE                                                         |
| LEAD SINGING SUNDAY A.M.      | NICK BRYANT                                                           | NICK BRYANT                                                           | NICK BRYANT                                                           | NICK BRYANT                                                           | NICK BRYANT                                                           |
| PRESIDE LORD'S SUPPER         | DAVID BRASHER                                                         | DAVID BRASHER                                                         | DAVID BRASHER                                                         | DAVID BRASHER                                                         | DAVID BRASHER                                                         |
| PRESIDE LORD'S SUPPER         | MARK WRIGHT                                                           | MARK WRIGHT                                                           | MARK WRIGHT                                                           | MARK WRIGHT                                                           | MARK BRASHER                                                          |
| SERVE LORD'S SUPPER           | EDWARD RAY FORD<br>JOSHUA BRASHER<br>NOAH BRASHER<br>JACOB PEEVYHOUSE | EDWARD RAY FORD<br>JOSHUA BRASHER<br>NOAH BRASHER<br>JACOB PEEVYHOUSE | EDWARD RAY FORD<br>JOSHUA BRASHER<br>NOAH BRASHER<br>JACOB PEEVYHOUSE | EDWARD RAY FORD<br>JOSHUA BRASHER<br>NOAH BRASHER<br>JACOB PEEVYHOUSE | EDWARD RAY FORD<br>JOSHUA BRASHER<br>NOAH BRASHER<br>JACOB PEEVYHOUSE |
| SCRIPTURE READING SUNDAY A.M. | JACOB KEEN                                                            | DYLAN HOLT                                                            | DANIEL ROGERS                                                         | JACK LAWRENCE                                                         | CHARLES WACHSMUTH                                                     |
| CLOSING PRAYER SUNDAY A.M.    | MARK WRIGHT                                                           | JACOB KEEN                                                            | STEVE FOSTER                                                          | JACOB PEEVYHOUSE                                                      | DALE ADEN                                                             |
| OPENING PRAYER SUNDAY P.M.    | DAVID BRASHER                                                         | MARK WRIGHT                                                           | KEITH PEEVYHOUSE                                                      | DALE ADEN                                                             | DALE BALLENTINE                                                       |
| LEAD SINGING SUNDAY P.M.      | DAVID BRYANT                                                          | DAVID BRYANT                                                          | DAVID BRYANT                                                          | DAVID BRYANT                                                          | DAVID BRYANT                                                          |
| SCRIPTURE READING SUNDAY P.M. | DANIEL ROGERS                                                         | CHARLES WACHSMUTH                                                     | JACK LAWRENCE                                                         | MARK WRIGHT                                                           | JACOB KEEN                                                            |
| CLOSING PRAYER SUNDAY P.M.    | NOAH BRASHER                                                          | PEYTON LINDSEY                                                        | JACOB KEEN                                                            | KEITH PEEVYHOUSE                                                      | STEVE FOSTER                                                          |
| OPENING PRAYER WEDNESDAY      | APRIL 01 NICK BRYANT                                                  | APRIL 8 TIM ROGERS                                                    | APRIL 15 STEVE FOSTER                                                 | APRIL 22 SHERRILL SMITH                                               | APRIL 29 DAVID BRYANT                                                 |
| LEAD SINGING WEDNESDAY        | JACOB PEEVYHOUSE                                                      | JACOB PEEVYHOUSE                                                      | JACOB PEEVYHOUSE                                                      | JACOB PEEVYHOUSE                                                      | JACOB PEEVYHOUSE                                                      |
| DEVOTIONAL WEDNESDAY          | DANIEL ROGERS                                                         | DALE ADEN                                                             | DALE BALLENTINE                                                       | TIM ROGERS                                                            | DAVID BRYANT                                                          |
| CLOSING PRAYER WEDNESDAY      | JACOB KEEN                                                            | JOSHUA BRASHER                                                        | NOAH BRASHER                                                          | DYLAN HOLT                                                            | JACOB PEEVYHOUSE                                                      |