

AUGUST 10, 2018

The Lord is My Portion

C.J. Vires

"I have seen affliction...He has made me walk in darkness and not in light...Surely, He has turned His hand against me.... Even when I cry out and call for help, He shuts out my prayer...I have become a laughingstock to all my people...He has filled me with bitterness...My soul has been rejected from peace...My strength has perished..." (Lamentations 3: 1-18)

Have you ever had these thoughts?

-I have seen affliction.

-Right now I'm hurting.

-It feels so dark, so cold, and so isolated.

-I've lost someone that I deeply love and don't know if how I can get through it.

-My son has turned his back on his faith in God. We've lost him, and it cuts to the core. It is unlike any hurt I've ever felt.

-I have lost the trust of my spouse. After 15 years, we are as far apart as ever. We both know it, but don't know what to do about it.

-Work is a strain and a drain. The more I give, the more it wants. I can never give enough.

-I have no security in tomorrow, and I feel alone and abandoned. Days of smiles and happiness have become drudgery. I just don't know how I can continue to do this day after day.

-My decisions in the past continuously haunt me. I can't leave them behind. I wake up each day fearful of what the day holds.

Have you been there? Are you there right now?

If so, the writer of Lamentations in 3:22-25 reminds us,

The LORD'S loving kindnesses indeed never cease,

For His compassions never fail.

They are new every morning;

Great is Your faithfulness.

"The LORD is my portion," says my soul,

"Therefore I have hope in Him."

The LORD is good to those who wait for Him,

To the person who seeks Him.

The writer reminds us that God is our portion! He provides us with all we need to get through the bumps, the trials, and the storms of life. We are promised that His faithfulness and His compassion never fail.

Let us continually seek God and the support of our Estes family in the challenges of life. The Lord will be great to us. The Lord will be our portion – He will provide all that we need and more!

▶ THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday

Worship service @ Heritage Towers

2:00 p.m. each Sunday

Worship service @ Southern Oaks

2:30 p.m. 1st and 5th Sundays

Worship service @ HHRC

2:30 p.m. 4th Sundays

Wednesday

Wednesdays @ Estes: Standing on the Promises of God: Because Persecution Will Come

John 14:1-4 | Ben Flatt

📅 UPCOMING EVENTS

Welcome Home at FHU

Saturday, August 18, 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Wedding Shower honoring Ashlee Cotton

Sunday, August 19, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Back to School Singing Night and Ice Cream Social

Friday, August 24, 6:30 p.m.

Ladies R&R: Digging into Kindness

Saturday, August 25, 9:00 a.m.

Apologetics Press Benefit Dinner

Thursday, August 30, 6:00 p.m.

Marriage Enrichment Seminar and Youth Rally with Lonnie Jones

September 7-9

🚲 YOUTH EVENTS

Parent Meeting After Class

August 15

Homeschool Lunch @ Estes

August 16

Jackson Generals Game

August 18

Devotional and 7th Grade Welcome

August 19

MARK YOUR CALENDARS | Welcome Home at FHU is Saturday, August 18 from 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.



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CELEBRATIONS

BIRTHDAYS

- 12 Roselena Evans
- 13 Michelle McCaskill, Ella England
- 14 Morgan Jacobs
- 15 Debbie McLaughlin
- 16 Aaron Miller, Jeff Payne, Jerry Thornthwaite
- 17 Brenda Johnson
- 18 Dawson Barnett



LESSON PREVIEWS

Sunday

A.M.:
Love is Loyal, Ruth 1:1-22
Mark Blackwelder

P.M.:
God's Giving Grace, 2 Corinthians 8:9
Doug Burleson

PRAYER REQUESTS

The **Miskelly and Dalton families** are working on adoptions.

Ethan and Becca McLaughlin are teaching English in China.

Darby Miskelly is hiking the Appalachian Trail.

Aimee Cotton, Todd and Cindi Cotton's daughter, has been diagnosed with breast cancer.

Mary Ann Gann, David Gann's mother, is suffering from multiple health issues.

Mike Roberts is receiving treatment.

Phyllis Lackey is home but is still very weak. Calls and visits are very much appreciated.

Victoria Sparks, Carrie Sells

friend, received troubling test results. She lives in Arizona and is the widow of former FHU Bible graduate Ivan Sparks.

Daniel Waddel, a friend of Dave Barnett, had a very serious fall.

Mabel Taylor, Richard Taylor's mother, is in a rehab center in Florence, AL, learning to walk again.

Mike Cothren, Julie Miller's father, underwent cancer surgery in the spring that was not successful. He is going to begin an extensive round of radiation treatments soon.

Rachel Hudson, Julie Miller's daughter, has some upcoming decisions being made on

her behalf.

Lee Ann Maness is facing some health concerns and asks for prayers.

Harold Puffpaff, Shannon Morris's father, had successful surgery this week.

Joe Wiley had knee replacement surgery this week.

Don Cooper, Sandy Haltom's father, will have surgery on Monday.

Lee Matthews, Matt Matthew's nephew, has been placed in hospice care.

Beth Morgan's father has been placed in hospice care.

Shiradon Kirk's grandfather is in the hospital.

CANCER CONCERNS

Hal Cardiff (Terri Sokoloski's relative), Colton Gates, Forrest Vest, Blondell Powers (Minnie Davis' sister), Megan Jarrell (Erica Parten's cousin), Summer Maples, James Peacock (Zach Peacock's grandfather), Sam Kachelman, Lula Johns (Debbie McLaughlin's aunt), Trey Leonard (Marvin and Renee Croom's nephew), Sam Daniel (Heather Stewart's grandfather), Nicollette Isaacson, Natalie Morris, Kristian Carlton (Ginger Frank's friend), Van Dyer (Brenda Johnson's cousin), Diane Davis (Adrienne Riggs' sister-in-law), Jeanette Morris (Tony Morris's mother), John Phillips (Ralph & Martha Austin's friend), Willie Milam (Martha Austin's brother), Linda Robinson (Ann Lutz's niece), Lonna Griffin, Richard Wood's grandparents, Danny Jones, Sue Cotton (Todd Cotton's mother), Robin Connor (Kevin Moore's sister), Gary Williams (Frank Williams' brother), Karen Fozard (Tony Kirk's sister), Ever Johnson (Paul and Tricia Johnson's grandson), James Harvison, Mark Wilson (Denise Phillips' brother-in-law), Everett "Junior" Naylor (B.J. Naylor's brother), Sharon Kea, Lawrence Johnson (Nell Vires & Carolyn Henry's brother), Debbie Schwartz (Paul Schwartz's sister-in-law), Michelle Brewer, Jim Ruth, Natalie Henton, Imogene Fitts, Esthelee Pirtle, Alesha Waters, Glenn Naylor, Tim Taylor

ONGOING HEALTH CONCERNS

Jeff Payne, 420 Melodie Circle, Henderson, TN 38340

Emergene Weaver, Crestview Health Care Center, Brownsville, TN 38012

HHRC - **Lois Garner** (402B), **Ermer McNeil, Nell Vires** (403)

Larry Thomas, Brookdale Southern Oaks, 3131 North Highland Ave. Room 86, Jackson, TN 38305

Lou Anderson, Pine Meadows Healthcare, 700 Nuckolls Rd., Room B6, Bolivar, TN 38008

Betty Vincent, 1197 Finger Leapwood Rd., Finger, TN 38334

Ruby Robison, 3360 Yates Road, Hornbeak, TN 38232

Mildred Geest (Terri Sokoloski's mother)

Marie DuBerry, Elmcroft, 911 Old Humboldt Rd., Jackson, TN 38305

Jurilee Rouse, 614 Rosebud, Henderson, TN 38340

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Leonard and Ann Lutz, 1980 Sanford Rd., Henderson, TN 38340

Carolyn Henry, 1870 Old Finger Rd., Henderson, TN 38340

Chris Moore (Libby Maynard's nephew)

Gala Stewart (Rachel Salmson's grandmother)

Richy Butler (J. R. Hames' son-in-law)

R. C. Schwartz (Paul Schwartz's father); 1645 Enville Rd., Henderson, TN 38340

Cindy Mosher (Katie Deck's aunt)

Chad Henry (Carolyn Henry's son)

Janis Taylor, 464 Crook Ave., Henderson, TN 38340

Ronnie Hemby (Phyllis Lackey's uncle)

Lisa Burkeen (Jennifer Showers' mother)

George Benson (Katie Deck's grandfather)

Evan Graves (Marti McDaniel's nephew)

Sharon Wilson (Christy Miskelly's mother)

IN THE SPOTLIGHT: MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT SEMINAR

HOME WORK

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT SEMINAR WITH *Lonnie Jones*

Lonnie is a licensed professional counselor with a 35+ year history in youth and family ministry. He has been in private practice for 20 years. He is also the course designer, builder and lead instructor for the adventure therapy program at Wellstone Behavioral. He is one of the volunteer chaplains for Huntsville Public Safety and has been assigned to the SWAT team for the past 26 years. He serves as the rappel master for the team and as a guest instructor at the police academy. Lonnie is a writer. You can find his books on Amazon.com and his articles on lonniejones.org.

Friday, September 7

Session 1: 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Biblical Math and the Dynamic of Trust

Saturday, September 8

Session 2: 2:00 p.m. - 3:15 p.m. The Marriage Go Round

Break

Session 3: 3:45 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Unsolvable Problems

Saturday Evening

Areawide Youth Devo 7:00 p.m. Chickasaw State Park

Sunday, September 9

Bible Class: 9:30 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. Building Blocks of Relationships

Worship: 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. My Relationship to the Body

Potluck

Worship: 1:00 p.m.-1:45 p.m. Needs vs. Rights

BAPTISMS AND RESPONSES

Our Estes family was blessed with several baptisms this week. **Julie Altman** was baptized on Thursday night. **Tiffany Faust** was baptized on Sunday afternoon. **Jesse Kitchen** was baptized Sunday night. Jesse is the son of Nathan and April Kitchen. **Carmen Ponce** was baptized after Spanish Bible study Wednesday night.

C.J. Vires asks for prayers and forgiveness.

BIRTHS

Congratulations to **Gayle McDonald** on the birth of her great nieces, Haidyn Grace and Camdyn Blake. The twin girls were born on Monday, July 30, to Adam and Susan McDowell. Proud aunts are Jennifer Crouse and Sara Wood.

RUTH 1:16-17

16 But Ruth replied, "Don't urge me to leave you or to turn back from you. Where you go I will go, and where you stay I will stay. Your people will be my people and your God my God. 17 Where you die I will die, and there I will be buried. May the Lord deal with me, be it ever so severely, if even death separates you and me."

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT

If you are interested in participating in the **visitation groups** for the rest of 2018, sign up on the orange list on the bulletin board in the lobby. This is a great way to get to know and encourage members in your team and to show care for those who are sick or hurting. See **James Dalton** with any questions. Please sign up by August 26.

BY THE NUMBERS

Sunday Bible Study	319
Sunday Morning Worship	403
Sunday Afternoon Worship	345
Wednesday Bible Study	284

	YTD	Aug. 5
2018 Budget	\$341,000	\$11,000
Contribution	340,290	10,724
Over/Under Budget	(710)	(276)
Expansion Fund	2,089	

? SHEPHERDS

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 **THOSE TO SERVE**

Welcome

Mark Scott

Ushers

Brian Massey, Matt Matthews

Greeters

David and Laurie Novak
Henry and Linda Jacobs
Moose and Susan Brown

Receiving Shepherds

Gary Irwin, John McLaughlin

Cards

Eli Massey, Jesse Kitchen

Sound Booth

Nathan Kitchen, Rodger Holtin

Safety

Danny Eldridge, Anthony Naylor

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James and Stacey Dalton

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SUNDAY MORNING

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Cherri and Mary Katherine Walker

Singing

Nathan Judd

Lord's Supper

Mike Showers, David Showers, Scott Miskelly, Brandon Woolard, Alex Tucker, Lucas Tucker, Mark Stewart

Prayer

Kevin Raine

Closing Announcements

Tony Hysmith

Closing Prayer

T.J. Kirk

SUNDAY EVENING

Nursery

Christy and Madeline Miskelly

Singing

Alex Walker

Prayer

Pearce Walker

Closing Prayer

Josh Kuykendall

Closing Announcements

Tony Hysmith

Lord's Supper

Larry Sokoloski

 **SERVICE TIMES**

Sunday

Bible Study	9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship	10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship	5:00 p.m.
Spanish Worship	5:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Bible Study	7:00 p.m.
Spanish Language Bible Study	7:00 p.m.

Sign language interpretation available as needed.

 **DAILY BIBLE READING SCHEDULE**

Monday, August 13.....	2 Corinthians 12
Tuesday, August 14.....	2 Corinthians 13
Wednesday, August 15.....	Galatians 1
Thursday, August 16.....	Galatians 2
Friday, August 17.....	Galatians 3



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