

May 5, 2022

BUT IT'S SO SMALL

As you reach the peak of Clingman's Dome in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park you will see what is left of many large Fraser fir trees. These trees once dominated the area with their size and strength. They had stood there for hundreds of years, survived storms and broken branches, but now they are completely bare and dead. Why is that? Well, their deaths are attributed to the small wingless insect called the balsam woolly adelgid that burrows into the bark of fir trees. They were accidentally introduced into the forest in the 1950's and most of the mature fir trees in the park have been killed by these insects. Although these little things could easily be crushed by a person's fingernail, this small insect and his friends have devastated an entire forest and ecosystem.

Much like that of the adelgid, sin is regarded lightly by many in our society. It is even the common object of humor and ridicule. However, even the "smallest" of sins, at least as we view them, can produce the most devastating effects. **Romans 6:23** tells us that "the wages of sin is death." And we know that it is sin which separates one from God who is the source of all life and goodness. **Isaiah 59:2** says, "but your iniquities have made a separation between you and your God, and your sins have hidden his face from you so that he does not hear." That is why it is so important that we look carefully as to how we walk in this world and consider the influences sin can have in our lives. Paul warns in **Ephesians 5:11**, "Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them." and in **verse 15-17** he tells us, "Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is." We must lay aside sin as we are cleansed by the blood of Jesus. **Hebrews 12:1-2** says, "Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God." Also, **Romans 6:1-4** tells us, "What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? Do you not know that all of us who

have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life." We should never underestimate the power of sin. No matter how "small" it may look to us. No matter how harmless it may seem, it has the power to completely tear down your entire life and affect the lives of those around us. "But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin." **1 John 1:7**

LADS TO LEADERS PARTICIPANTS



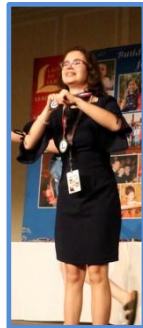
PreK-2nd grade Know the books
Jacob & Zeke Tooley
Lillian Ellis



Songs of Praise
Elizabeth Marshall
Emilyn Suddarth



Winner's Circle Songs of Praise
Jordan Senn
Abbie Marshall



Bartimaeus Girls Speech & Songs of Praise
Valerie Suddarth

Pictures not available:

Scholarship to Freed-Hardeman University: Jordan Senn
Good Samaritan Gold: Abbie Marshall, Elizabeth Marshall, Colby Rowlett, Jordan Senn, Emilyn Suddarth, Valerie Suddarth, Jacob & Zeke Tooley
Puppets: Abbie Marshall, Elizabeth Marshall, Colby Rowlett, Jordan Senn & Andrew Dixon.
Art Says It: photography - Colby Rowlett, Painting - Elizabeth Marshall & Jordan Senn

COORDINATED BIBLE CLASS STUDIES

Sunday Read – Ecclesiastes
Wednesday Read – Proverbs

BIBLE STUDY



Questions for last week's reading of **1 Kings 10 & 11 & Song of Solomon**

1. Why did the Queen of Sheba ask Solomon hard questions?
2. Why was God angry with Solomon?
3. Tell one of the 10 commandments that Solomon broke.
4. Why was God going to allow Solomon's son to have one tribe?
5. Why do you think Solomon ignored what God said?

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Charles Williams celebrated his 80th birthday on Tuesday, May 3rd. He was honored by the TNT group with them singing Happy Birthday and presented a strawberry cake baked by Rita Strickland.

THANK YOU NOTE

We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their cards, phone calls, messages, gifts, flowers and most especially the prayers during Terry's illness and passing. We appreciate our church family so much.

Donna Jennings & Family

HAPPY
MOTHER'S
DAY

ORDER OF SERVICES

SUNDAY

May 8, 2022

9:00 AM

BIBLE STUDY

(Classes for Nursery – High School upstairs)

Song.....Jerry Watson
Opening Prayer.....Carl Newby
Auditorium Lesson.....Andrew Spivey

10:00 AM SERVICE

Welcome.....Charlie Seals
Song Leader.....Jerry Watson
Opening Prayer.....Tony Butler
Sermon.....Andrew Spivey
Lord's Supper.....Jim Cherry
Closing Prayer.....Allyn Hosman

5:00 PM SERVICE

Welcome.....Charlie Seals
Song Leader.....Jerry Watson
Opening Prayer.....Lee Boone
Sermon.....Andrew Spivey
Lord's Supper.....David Thompson
Closing Prayer.....Jonathan Senn

WEDNESDAY

May 11, 2022

7:00 PM

Welcome.....Charlie Seals
Song Leader.....Jerry Watson
Opening Prayer.....Adam Williamson
Lesson.....Andrew Spivey
Closing Prayer.....Bob Sever

Visitor's Desk Volunteer.....Pam Newby

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday Bible Study 9:00 a.m. - Sunday Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.
 Sunday Evening Worship 5:00 p.m. - Wednesday Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.

SICK LIST

Mae Oldham is home and recovering from carpal tunnel surgery. Carol Kidd fell and fractured her right kneecap. Bill Johnson continues chemo and radiation treatments. Mike Tidwell, a former member, is home recovering from triple by-pass surgery. Bob & Wanda Gregory are both having health issues. Rachel Goode friend of Carl & Pam Newby has been diagnosed with breast cancer. Ronald Milliken husband of Helen Milliken, continues cancer treatments. Steven Simmons son of Charles and Fay Simmons continues to recover from back surgery. Vycki Puckett, daughter of Jack & Anita Cato, continues recovering from hip replacement. Ty Tyler, son of Ann Tyler, continues with serious health issues. Craig Sweeney, son of Doris Sweeney, continues cancer treatments. John Arnold, father of Brenda Veale is homebound and dealing with serious health issues.



PRAYER LIST

Shelby Ross; Sandi Jones; Ricky Cantrell; Maxine Cothron; Gerald Miles, The Waters of Gallatin, 555 E. Bledsoe Drive, Room 305; Frances Catron; Jean Deaton; Wade & Wanda Kennedy parents of Diana Stephenson; Ricky Cross, friend of Betty Buttrey; Ida Lou Sherrill, mother of Alex Sherrill; Wayne Holt; Lawrence Redding, son-in-law of Betty Melcher; Taylor Lackford, niece of Brenda Veale; Dustin Lackford, nephew of Brenda Veale; Janice Haskins, sister of Jim Cherry; Larry Conley, friend of Wanda Proctor; John Gregory, brother of Bob Gregory; Harold Cole, friend of Lena Baggett; Bobbie Carter, sister of Janice Johnson; Betty Billingsley, sister of Wanda Proctor; Walter Wooten, brother of Wanda Sherrill.

SHUT-INS

Marilee Frederick, Gallatin Rehab, Room 309A; Joyce Savage, NHC Place Sumner, room 107; Jane Hughes, 126 Seabury Dr., Greenville, SC 29615; Melba Hill; Penny Campbell, The Village of Bellevue, Room 204, 8118 B Sawyer Brown Road, Nashville, TN 37221; Dorothy Sullivan, Front Porch Senior Living 115 Sunset Pl. Portland TN, 37148.

We depend on families and friends to help us update this list. Please notify us of any changes

OUR RECORD THIS WEEK

Bible Study.....	106
Morning Worship.....	152
Sunday Evening.....	68
Wednesday Evening.....	75
Contributions.....	\$8,436.00
Youth Group Account.....	\$3,401.00

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David Johnson.....	615-300-9084
Alex Sherrill.....	615-289-9935
David Thompson.....	615-598-6621
Jerry Watson.....	615-461-8137

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Carl Newby Brent Smith
 Ken Veale Adam Williamson



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