SENDING THE MESSAGE

Back in 1977, NASA launched two space probes, Voyager 1 and Voyager 2, into outer space to photograph many of the planets in our solar system and gather information. To this day, they are still traveling in space and as of April 29, 2022, Voyager 1 has reached a distance of 14.46 billion miles from earth. Some might find it fascinating that a piece of technology from the 70's is still highly functional some 44 years later. Others might find it fascinating that it has traveled so far from earth and we are still able to gather information and receive a signal from it. What I find most fascinating is what is inside both probes. Both Voyagers carry with them a gold plated record. On these disks are 115 images ranging from diagrams about DNA and complex math equations all the way to athletes competing in the Olympics and people eating ice cream. There is also a variety of natural sounds like the ocean, wind, thunder, birds, whales, and even a baby crying. There are greetings recorded in 55 different languages, and finally a 90 minute collection of music, including both Eastern and Western classics and a variety of ethnic music. All this was done for a particular purpose though. It wasn't simply some space time capsule that they were hoping would return at some point. Instead, this was done in the event that if one of these probes was found by some other form of intelligent life in outer space, they would have knowledge about who the people of planet earth were and what it is like to live here. Now, I don't think those records are going to be used any time soon, although I love the imagery of aliens listening to Johnny B. Goode, but it does get me thinking about important information.

The reason those scientists sent those images and audio recordings were not just to possibly entertain some alien, they were gathered because they found it important enough to send to space and explain who we are. With that in mind, have you ever thought about the information that you are transmitting? When we think about the important messages given to mankind, there is none more important than the gospel message of Christ. In Hebrews 1:1-2, it says, "Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world." That message was given to the apostles and early Christians to carry around the known world of the time. Jesus said in John 17:8, "For I have given them the words that you gave me, and they have received them and have come to know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me." This was further accomplished by the help of the Holy Spirit that guided the apostles into all truth. Jesus said in John 14:25-26 "These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you. But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you." The inspired writings that the apostles authored and shared was then circulated and copied into the Bible that we now have. As 1 Peter 1:20-21 says, "knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone's own interpretation. For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit."

It is amazing to think that this message that was a mystery for thousands of years was finally made known to the first century church and to us. Colossians 1:26-27 says, "the mystery hidden for ages and generations but now revealed to his saints. To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory." And it is that message that we have been told to share with the rest of the world. The message that is most important to us, and all mankind, is the good news of Jesus, and we are given the charge as the messengers. Unfortunately, there are some things that we can do in our lives that prevent us from being good carriers of the message. Paul says in 1 Corinthians 9:26-27, "So I do not run aimlessly; I do not box as one beating the air. But I discipline my body and keep it under control, lest after preaching to others I myself should be disqualified." Paul also says in 2 Corinthians 4:5-7, "For what we proclaim is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shown in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ." What this tells us is that the most important message for the universe should be on our hearts. It should be in every aspect of our lives and we should make sure that we are the proper transmitters of this good news. Mark 16:15-16 "And he said to them, "Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation. Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned." **Andrew Spivev**

SYMPATHY

Our Love and Sympathy to **Archie & Karen Wallace** on the passing of Archie's brother, **Ralph Wallace**, on Saturday, June 11th in Lawton, OK.

COORDINATED BIBLE CLASS STUDIES

Sunday Read – II Kings 1 Wednesday Read – II Kings 2

BIBLE STUDY

Questions for last week's reading of 1 Kings 21-22.

- 1. What did Ahab want from Naboth and what did Naboth tell him?
- 2. Who got the vineyard for Naboth and how did it happen?
- 3. What did the 400 prophets say about going to fight Ramoth Gilead and what did Micaiah say? 4. How did Ahab and Jehoshaphat prepare for battle?
- 5. What happened to Ahab and what prophecy did it fulfill?

SENIOR GROUP

Please note the date change The Senior group will meet on Thursday June 23rd at 6:00 pm. in the fellowship room. Be sure to bring finger foods and be ready to play games. For more details, please see Jean Law.

FIRST SUNDAY SINGING

Nashville Road church of Christ will host the First Sunday Singing on Sunday July 3rd at 2:00 p.m. Please make plans to come and enjoy the fellowship of singing.

PRAYERS REQUESTED

Eva Petty came forward Sunday requesting the prayers of the congregation for struggles she is experiencing. Please remember to keep Eva in your prayers.

WEDDING SHOWER

Ladies of Nashville Road, you are invited to the Wedding Shower for **Jessica Carden**, fiancé of **Garrett Rowlett**. The shower will be on Saturday **July 9**th **from 2:00 p.m.** – **3:30 p.m.** in the fellowship room. The couple is registered at Amazon, Target, and Bed, Bath, & Beyond.

ORDER OF SERVICES SUNDAY June 19, 2022 9:00 AM BIBLE STUDY

(Classes for Nursery – High School upstairs)

Song	Carl Newby
Opening Prayer	Bob Sever
Auditorium Lesson	Andrew Spivev

10:00 AM SERVICE

Welcome	Bob Brown
Song Leader	Carl Newby
Opening Prayer	Tony Butler
Sermon	Andrew Spivey
Lord's Supper	Adam Williamson
Closing Prayer	Eric Stephenson

5:00 PM SERVICE

Welcome	Bob Brown
Song Leader	Carl Newby
Opening Prayer	Jonathan Senn
Sermon	Andrew Spivey
Lord's Supper	Brent Smith
Closing Prayer	Allyn Hosman

WEDNESDAY June 22, 2022 7:00 PM

Welcome	Bob Brown
Song Leader	Carl Newby
Opening Prayer	Rick Gallagher
Lesson	Andrew Spivey
Closing Prayer	David Thompson

Visitor's Desk Volunteer.....Diana Stephenson

IF YOU CANNOT SERVE, PLEASE CALL Alex Sherrill......615-289-9935

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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

Bill Johnson will be seeing a new ENT doctor soon. Bob & Wanda Gregory are both having health issues. Mike Tidwell, is doing much better. 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, hopes to qualify for a new treatment. John Arnold, father of Brenda Veale is homebound and dealing with serious health issues.



PRAYER LIST

Shelby Ross; Sandi Jones; Maxine Cothron; Gerald Miles, The Waters of Gallatin, 555 E. Bledsoe Drive, Room 305; Frances Catron; Jean Deaton; Charlie Cliburn; Ricky Cantrell; Wade & Wanda Kennedy parents of Diana Stephenson; Ricky Cross, friend of Betty Buttrey; Ida Lou Sherrill, mother of Alex Sherrill; 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	113
Morning Worship	171
Sunday Evening	
Wednesday Evening	95
Contribution	\$9,647.00
Youth Group Account	\$4,709.00

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