

Church News Network

Kingdom Citizens Preparing Mind, Body and Spirit: Spiritual Encouragement from the Book of Psalms

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER | JEHOVAH MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH | AUGUST 2023

Thought: Kingdom Citizens must seek to understand how God provides encouragement in every life situation. We are never alone as He is a very present help in good times and bad times. Our God is a God of assurance.

WORDS/PHRASES: Vigilance, Patience, Shepherd, Strength

August 6 – Our God is Ever Vigilant (Psalm 121:1-8)

August 13 – Wait Patiently on the Lord (Psalm 40:1-3)

August 20 – God is Our Refuge and Our Strength (Psalm 46:1-3)

August 27 – He is Our Shepherd (Psalm 23)

Hymn - No Never Alone

Church Pew Donations

You can still get a marker in honor or in memory of a family member, placed on a pew in the sanctuary' \$1,600 for a full pew and \$800 for a half pew. Please contact Andrea Johnson @ 803-775-4032, Ext .103

CHORALE REHEARSAL

Rehearsals will begin August 10th, 5:00-6:00pm. New people are welcome. Contact Sister Womack for additional information (803) 469-4294



AUG 12
10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

JMBC MINISTRIES PRESENTS:
COMMUNITY
Ladies Boutique & Mens Emporium

FREE

Blouses, Trousers, Shoes, Jewelry, Purses, Hats, Ties, Job Skill Interviews & More.

For additional information / questions Contact:
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M.H. Newton FAMILY LIFE ENRICHMENT CENTER
805 SOUTH HARVIN STREET SUMTER, SC 29150

JMBC Christian and Academic School

Now enrolling for 4K. If qualified FREE. IF QUALIFIED will also provided care for siblings birth - 12 through ABC Scholarship program. Please contact front desk for more information. 803-934-0818.

4K starts on August 21st.

HOW HIRING:

Floater (cover lunch)
Part-time Teacher, Infant Room, After-School Teacher
Substitute Teacher
Please contact school for more information

Stephanie Webster, Director

Jehovah Missionary Baptist Church

Presents

**A Music Workshop and A Night of
Worship Experience**

Date: September 30, 2023

Time: Music Workshop 12 noon to 3 pm

Night of Worship Experience 5:30pm to 7:30pm



Pastor Marion Newton

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Shonda English



Minister Delroy White



Kelvin Hastie

JMBC
SUMMER
PICNIC

**FOOD.
DRINKS.
MUSIC.**

**DESSERT
CONTEST**

**SCHOOL SUPPLIES WILL BE
DISTRIBUTED**

***Come one! Come all, to the JMBC end of
SUMMER PICNIC!***

August 19, 2023 from 10AM to 2:00PM under the old oak tree in Manning Ave. plan to have lots of fun as we have many games planned, water/bouncy house/slides for the young and young at heart! There will be lots of food, hot dogs, burgers, fried fish and much, much more!

For dessert we will have a **Dessert Contest!** So get out your best, most favorite recipe and make enough to share! Men and women are invited to compete in this competition! May the best dessert win!

We will end our day with our **Back to School Supply Give Away!** So bring the children. Most of all plan to have fun and get to know each other better as we fellowship under the Old Oak Tree!

Looking forward to seeing you there!!!!



H.Y.P.E. is currently accepting applications for the following schools:

Wilder Elementary
Millwood Elementary
Kingsbury Elementary
Lemira Elementary
Willow Drive Elementary
R.E. Davis Elementary

Please contact the M.H. Newton Family Life Center for more information
(803) 934-9527

NURSERY SCHEDULE

FREE PLAY 7:45-8:25
LG. MUSCLE 8:30-8:42
RHYTHM TIME 8:45-8:58
HYMN TIME 9:00-9:10
BIBLE STORY 9:12-9:32
SNACK TIME 9:37-9:47
QUIET TIME 9:50-10:00
DISMISSAL 10:00-10:10

J-BABY NURSERY

Parents and guardians bring your children 3 months to three years old, to the J-Baby Nursery by 7:45am to enjoy free play time from 7:45am to 8:25am and to reap the full benefits of each and every activity listed on the schedule each and every Sunday.



FOUR WORDS OF A DYING CHURCH

“I've done my time”

Thom Rainer

Many, if not most, churches struggle to find volunteers. This challenge is not new, but it has been exacerbated since the pandemic. Some of the reasons for members declining to volunteer are understandable. But some are not.

Perhaps the most unbiblical reason for no longer serving in a church are those four deadly words: “I’ve done my time.” Indeed, if many of your church members are responding with these words, your church may be on the descent to death. Here are five reasons why that is the case:

1. Ministry in the local church does not have an expiration date. From Acts 2 to Revelation 3, the entirety of that large swath of Scripture is either about a local church, to a local church, or in the context of a local church. There are no church members talking about “doing their time” in those books of the Bible.

2. Those four words sound like a prison sentence. Ministry should be a joy, not a period where we are doing obligatory and cumbersome work. When you hear those words from a church member, you are likely hearing from someone who has not learned the joy of serving.

3. The Bible is clear that all members are to do ministry. Read 1 Corinthians 12 again. Paul reminds us in 12:27: “All of you together are Christ’s body, and each of you is a part of it.” The text is clear that everyone (“all of you together”) must be involved in ministry. If any member is not functioning, the church as a whole suffers. There are no members of the Corinthian church on the sidelines because “they’ve done their time.”

4. Those four words are demoralizing to church leaders and active church members. When church members declare “they’ve done their time,” other church members have to take up the slack. It is understandably frustrating for a committed church member to hear other church members declare they are AWOL from doing ministry in the body of Christ.

5. Most often those four words are accompanied with the baggage of bad attitudes. A church member

who steps back from ministry is analogous to a husband telling his wife that he has served her sufficiently, and that she must serve him for the rest of their marriage. That scenario does not end well.

If a significant number of church members declare, “I’ve done my time,” the church is in trouble. Indeed, the church may be dying. The body of Christ described in 1 Corinthians 12 is a functioning body with all the members carrying out their roles. Once the members declare they are finished, the church is finished.

We’ve seen this sad story play out too many times. “I’ve done my time” are truly the four words of a dying church.

DEDICATION SOUVENIR JOURNALS

Journals can now be ordered at \$10.00 per copy. Please place your order and pay at the church office from August 1 through August 30, 2023. Books will be published after you order and you will be contacted when it is ready for pick-up.

Thank you in advance for your support. Every family needs to have a copy of this historical event in the life of the church.