PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING
March 17, 2024

WELCOME:	Kevin Blair
SONG LEADER:	Rod Wilson
OPENING PRAYER:	Ron McInturff
LORD'S TABLE:	Seth Fisher
	Matthew Dent
	Jim Bell
	Mike Seger
CLOSING PRAYER:	Robert Hayes
GREETERS: Gene	e Blair & Kevin Blair

SUNDAY EVENING March 17, 2024

Seth Fisher

Kevin Blair

David Woodv

Cayden Leonard

SONG LEADER: OPENING PRAYER: LORD'S TABLE: CLOSING PRAYER:

WEDNESDAY EVENING March 20, 2024

SONG LEADER: PRAYER: DEVOTIONAL:

ADER: Jeff Jones Austin Ford NAL: Seth Fisher

*Please contact Jackie Horton, if you are unable to serve.

SCHEDUL	E OF	SERVICES

SUNDAY: **BIBLE CLASS** 9:30 a.m. WORSHIP 10:30 a.m. **EVENING** 5:00 p.m. *LAST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH 1:00 p.m. WEDNESDAY: **BIBLE STUDY** 7:00 p.m. 1st & 3rd TUESDAYS: SENIOR MINISTRY CLASS 10:30 a.m. 2nd & 4th TUESDAYS: LADIES BIBLE CLASS 10:30 a.m. 2nd Thursday of each month: PANTRY OPEN from noon - 1:30 p.m. Elders: Glen Elliott Jeff Jones Rod Wilson 501-314-9999 937-776-0732 501-328-7888 Deacons: Seth Fisher Kevin Blair Austin Ford 501-470-6593 479-970-3988 501-581-5864 <u>Minister:</u> Glen Elliott 501-314-9999 Church Office: 501-679-3647 **GREENBRIER CHURCH OF CHRIST**

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ON THE BRIGHTER SIDE

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"Just as out of the dark ground comes the blossom, so out of the night, a morning appears." One of the most endearing qualities of humanity is our ability to look at life with optimism. This largely arises from the belief that we are the special creation of God. In contrast to that, some of the most hopeless and despairing individuals on earth are those who possess no hope beyond the grave.

One of the most encouraging messages of the Bible has to do with the fact that God "causes all things to work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose" (Rom. 8:28). All things work together for good. Why? Because God is active in the affairs of men. He is the Prime Mover and works providentially to bring about that which is in accordance with His will and best for our lives. In the face of such overruling sovereignty, we must trust in God's wisdom and power. All things will work together for good. For whom? For those who love God. If we are pliable, He will shape us into conformity to the likeness of Jesus Christ (Rom. 8:29). But, if we are stubbornly rebellious, life's difficulties and hardships will work to our undoing.

God can use difficult situations to mold our character and forge a stronger, more resilient faith. James reminds us, "Consider it all joy, by brethren, when you encounter various trials, knowing that the testing of your faith produces endurance. And let endurance have its perfect result, that you may be perfect and complete lacking in nothing" (Jas. 1:2-4). When we place our complete trust in God, even life's most difficult moments can produce what is good.

Don't lose sight of the promises of God. Paul wrote, "No temptation has overtaken you but such as is common to man; and God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will provide the way of escape also, that you may be able to endure it" (1 Cor. 10:13). Keeping these things in mind, we can look at the world with an optimistic outlook. "Just as out of the dark ground comes the blossom, so out of the night, a morning appears." Ultimately, this world will pass away; but out that darkness will dawn the brightness of heaven's eternal day.

--Glen Elliott--

Prayer Requests

*Sympathy to Stephanie Malone in the passing of her dad, Steve Hart. His services were Friday in Morrilton. Steve and Joanie Hart were members here a number of years ago. *Jason Elliott has been released from the hospital and is now in the transplant house. Continue to keep Jason, Misti, and all of the family in your prayers. *Linda Black did not have kidney surgery Thursday. They are hoping to get it rescheduled soon.

*Nora Smith's doctors cannot seem to determine what's going on with her health issues. *Bob Gossett had hernia surgery Thursday and is doing well.

*Debbie Freeman's scans were good so she can go every six months now for scans. *Linda Amaden, a friend of Jim Bell, has asked for prayers. She is developing Alzheimer's disease.



UPCOMING EVENTS

NOW - MARCH 24th - There is a "Moses Basket" in the foyer for Eli & Anna Leonard's baby, Kase Parker. Ideas: diapers, wipes, gift cards....all gifts welcome.

MARCH 19th - The Senior Adult Ministry class will meet in the Outreach Center at 10:30am. Rod Wilson will be teaching. There will be no fellowship meal.

MARCH 23rd - There will be a Congregational Singing in the Outreach Center beginning at 5:30pm. Light snacks will be served following the singing. Area congregations are invited.

<u>THANK YOU CARD</u> Stop by the bulletin board in the hallway to see a card from Linda Ray's son, Michael Ray.



Journey Toward Eternity

Life is a journey toward eternity. We are on a path. "The path of the just is like the shining sun, that shines ever brighter unto the perfect day" (Proverbs 4:18). There are only two destinations (Matthew 7:13-14). This world is not our home (Hebrews 11:13-16). - from Bulletin Digest

BIBLE QUIZ: 2 Timothy 3:10-17

- 1. Paul said Timothy had carefully ___ his doctrine and manner of ___.
- 2. Name three cities in which Paul was persecuted.
- 3. "Yes, and all who desire to live ___ in Christ Jesus will suffer ___."
- 4. "...and that from ____ you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to
- make you wise for ____ through ___ which is in Christ Jesus."
- 5. "___ Scripture is given by ___ of God..."

Answers to last week's quiz: last, perilous; lovers, money; godliness, power; learning, truth; Jannes, Jambres