



2700 Pulaski Highway
Columbia, TN 38401
office@sgcoc.org
www.southgatechurchofchrist.org
Office: (931) 388-7334
Fax (931) 548-2093

Informer

Volume 58

September 24, 2014

17

As I See It. . . By Brian Gregory

One of the things that will make you feel helpless in life is when you are sick. Yet, what is even worse is when you see your children sick. As the father of four kids, several times a year I see someone sick at my house. Often when someone is sick you just have to wait it out and let it run its course. Even if you get medicine you have to wait of for it to work.

The Bible records for us Jesus encountering the sick during His ministry. He healed many of them of their diseases and physical handicaps. However, He never refers to Himself as a physician because of this physical healing, instead, He points to an even greater healing work among those who were sick with sin. While being questioned about His table fellowship with the sinful invited to Matthew's (Levi's) house, Jesus responded with this "It is not those who are healthy who need a physician, but those who are sick; I did not come to call the righteous, but sinners" (Mk. 2:17). Sure Jesus can heal the physically ill but, His greater purpose was to heal the sin sick of this world. Seeing this applies to all of us (Rm. 3:23), we all need healing. The great physician brought the great remedy, the gospel (Rm. 1:16-17). Sin is never something we need to just let run its course (Rm. 6:23). If only we all took sin as seriously as we do the flu, a stomach virus or pneumonia, how many more would be healed?

Brian

Listening Attentively....Joe Macer

Nehemiah 8:3 And all the people listened attentively to the Book of the Law.

Israel called for an assembly of the people at the Water Gate. Ezra was asked to bring out the Book of the Law of Moses. At daybreak Ezra began reading to those assembled. A platform had been built and Ezra was standing on it so that all could see him and hear him. As he began to read, the people stood on their feet and listened to him until noon. Not only did Ezra read the Scriptures but he also made it clear and gave the meaning of what he read. "And all the people listened attentively to the Book of the Law." They had a deep desire to know what God wanted and expected of them.

The assembly happened during the month of October or possibly November. From sun up to noon would be approximately five hours. Would you stand on your feet for this long listening to Scriptures read and explained? No matter how long the instruction is, will you listen attentively? Listening is a key ingredient to learning. What could be more important than learning what God wants us to do? Consider your behavior during a sermon or during a Bible class. Do you really listen to what is being said? Do you hear the Scriptures and try to understand their meaning? After finding the understanding, do you then try to make the application to your own life? The church today is in great need of individuals who know the word of God and yes it needs scholars. It all starts by listening attentively.

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:

SOUTH GATE MEMBERS

- Mike Andrews
- Charlotte Attkisson-NHC Hillview Rm. 221
- Ann Brady
- Bernice Bratton
- Joy Brown & Fred Brown
- Rebecca Brown
- Bill Carroll - 2502 Shangrila Trail
- Ruth Childress
- Mary Chumbley
- Sarah Churchwell
- Athaleen Cox
- Ila Goodman - NHC Columbia, Rm. 122-B
- Maetta King - Poplar Estates 215
- Linda Luna
- Libby Moss
- Frances Petty - Sterling House, Rm. 403
- Barney Roland - NHC Hillview, Rm. 101
- Albert & Ethel Spears
- Virginia Staggs-Poplar Estates 101
- Elaine Whitehead
- Jim Wilson - MRMC, ICU - recovering from surgery

FRIENDS AND FAMILY

Mary Charlotte Rummage, aunt of Ray - Life Care, Rm. 228, Clara Mae Harvey, aunt of Ray Rummage - ___Deak Waldrum, cousin of Blair Keeling, Patsy Loveless, Mary Elizabeth Dodson, cousin of Reba Jones, Gerald Boyd, father of Gary, Dennis Thrasher - surgery Oct. 16 at Vandy, Jim Gannaway - friend of Cheathams, Charles Stofel, Joan Van Hooser, Aaron Way, 12 yr. old great nephew of Barry Brown - undergoing chemo, Lou Miller - Poplar Estates, Rm. 205, Clara Totty - Poplar Estates, Rm. 102, Jackie McPeak - liver cancer, Travis Jett - home, Tristen Kelley, Sherry Pritchett - mother of Jody, Teresa Warf Walkup - cancer, Shirley Woods - mother/Diane Upchurch, Jennie Evans, sister/Karen Mann, Mark Shaw, Bobby Wales, Patricia Luffman, Dorothy Rea, sister/Elmer Lusk, Earline Hensley - sister/JoAnn Coleman, Evelyn Felker, sister/Benny Bolton, Little Gatlin Macer, Jennifer Fetters (friend/Lasater's), Sharon Riley, Doris McKennon (not doing well) - sister/Edna Hardison, JoAnn Anderson, Paula Baker - sister/Kaye Beard, Alice Lovett - aunt/Cheyenne McNeese, Ann Graham - Morning Point, Rm. 113, Jenny Miller, Beverly Dawson, Jack & Daisy White, Paul Jackson - father/Rhonda Farris, Alfred & Irma Pagel, Billy Dan & Betty Morrow, Bella Huey,

International Helping Hands Boxes for children are due Sunday, Sept. 28. We have Spanish Bibles, if you need one for your box. Also, don't forget to include \$7 for shipping. Thank you so much for your participation!

WORSHIP LEADERS SEPTEMBER 28, 2014

SUNDAY 9:00 A.M

Welcome.....Richard Farris
 Song Leader.....Kevin Mick
 Prayer.....Randy Jones
 Lord's Supper: Presiding.....Jerry Wilson
 Serving:
 Tyler Brown Tim Raines
 Dave Coleman Johnny Smith
 Bobby Daniels Kyle Upchurch
 Jesse Gilliam Sam Quirk
 ReadJerry Barber
 Sermon:Brian Gregory
 Announcements/Closing Prayer.....Richard Farris

SUNDAY 5:30 P.M.

Welcome/Song Leader.....Joe Macer
 Prayer.....Mike Lyle
 Read: Matt. 5:43-48.....Byran Farris
 Sermon: "How Do I Love My Enemies?".....John Thomas
 Lord's Supper Presiding.....Duane Allen
 Announcements/Closing Prayer.....Greg Lusk

Ushers: Ryan Massey, Terry Burgess, Jerry Williams
 Greeters: Charles & Doris Bassham, Dave & JoAnn Coleman
 Audio/Visual: Jim Pollard

Security Team: A.M. Jason Kelley, Benny Bolton P.M. Corey Massey, Greg Lusk

**If you are unable to keep your appointment to serve, please call Ray Rummage (446-0668) or Joe Williams (388-9183)
 Or go to our website and follow the "Unable to Serve" link and submit the information.**

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2014 - 6:30 P.M.

NURSERY CARE

A.M.....Linda Lasater, Lori Lee
 P.M.....Cheryl Thornton, Linda Mabry

Song LeaderJoe Macer
 Prayer.....John Thomas
 Announcements/Speaker.....Brian Gregory

