



# Church of Christ at Beech Grove

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## Truly a "Pearl"

Funeral services for Jessie Pearl Green, were conducted September 12 at the Manchester Funeral Home Chapel with Wayne Gannon and Ken Thomas officiating. Burial was in the Douglas and Green Cemetery. Sister Green passed away Thursday morning at Harton Hospital in Tullahoma.

She was born August 2, 1922 in Coffee County. The daughter of the late James Quincy Messick and Myrtle Irene Brown Messick, she was a homemaker, and a member of Beech Grove. Sister Green was also preceded in death by her husband, Earnest Green who died in 1993, by 2 sons, Roy Green and James Marlin Green, by 2 brothers, Evans Messick and Arlin Messick, and by 3 grandchildren. Mrs. Green is survived by five children- Joan (Brian) Dennis of Wartrace, Brenda (George) Lopozer of Millington, Tn, Joe (Michelle) Green of Beechgrove, Gary (Judy) Green of Manchester, Paul (Margaret Nell) Green of Lynchburg, Tn ; three brothers- Barney Messick of Elkhart, IN, Ralph Messick of North Carolina, Jerry "Bud" Messick of Kansas City, MO, 20 grandchildren, 30 great grandchildren, 3 great great grandchildren (The information above is from the official obituary, but updated.)



What a legacy has been left by sister Green! Her faithfulness was known to all, not only in attendance but in service to others as long as she could be active. The hope that faithful Christians have was never more evident than in the quiet tears that were shed by those whose tears were because of their own loss of a dear one. There was a strong sense that "her pain" was over.

We will miss her at Beech Grove, but we pray that her influence will be carried to future generations as her children, grandchildren, great grandchildren, and great great grandchildren follow her faith in their own lives. That beautiful hilltop cemetery near the border of three counties is not the final destiny of this wonderful life.

### Sunday Schedule

<b>Bible Classes</b>	<b>10 AM</b>
<b>Worship</b>	<b>11 AM</b>
<b>Worship</b>	<b>6 PM</b>

**Wednesday: Bible Classes**      **7 PM**

### Mission Works and Evangelism:

House to House/ Heart to Heart  
 Restoration Radio  
 Jim Waldron  
 Manuelito Children's Home



# Bible Search

by Kenneth L. Thomas

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## Questions for week of September 13

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1. From what (or whom) do heaven and earth run away?
2. The joy of the righteous over the punishment by God of the wicked is described in terms of "foot-washing" in an Old Testament passage. What substance is used for the foot-washing ?
3. What Israeli king was told that his wealth, spouses, and offspring all belonged to an enemy king, and he agreed? (He did refuse to allow a search of his home by the enemy!)
4. What child was renamed by his father after the mother had died during the birth, and what was her name for him?
5. How many stone containers were used in Jesus' first miracle?
6. What beautiful orphan became queen? (Two names!)
7. Who were Bigthan and Teresh?

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## Answers for week of August 30

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1. What "car part" is used to describe the place of God's presence?

**Answer: Seat.**

(Exo 25:21-22 ) "And thou shalt put the mercy seat above upon the ark; and in the ark thou shalt put the testimony that I shall give thee. 22 And there I will meet with thee, and I will commune with thee from above the mercy seat, from between the two cherubims which are upon the ark of the testimony, of all things which I will give thee in commandment unto the children of Israel."

2. What connection do power, wisdom, and discretion have?

**Answer: They are all the means by which God created the earth/heavens.**

Jeremiah 10:12 "He hath made the earth by his power, he hath established the world by his wisdom, and hath stretched out the heavens by his discretion."

Other passages in Eccl. 5:19, Prov. 2:6, and Prov. 3:13,19,21 can be connected to answer the question.

3. What makes reproach and hatred more painful to bear than it otherwise would be? (Look in Psalms.)

**Answer: When it comes from a friend rather than an enemy.**

(Psa 55:11-14) Wickedness is in the midst thereof: deceit and guile depart not from her streets. 12 For it was not an enemy that reproached me; then I could have borne it: neither was it he that hated me that did magnify himself against me; then I would have hid myself from him: 13 But it was thou, a man mine equal, my guide, and mine acquaintance. 14 We took sweet counsel together, and walked unto the house of God in company.

Other related passages: Psa. 22:6; 79:4; 31:11; 89:49;109:3,5.

*An online participant observed, "You expect things like this from those of the world, you don't expect it from your brothers and sisters in Christ, those you love and trust and think you know. It hits you so hard, wipes all the trust away and makes it hard to trust anyone."*

4. Normally a meek and quiet spirit is typical of godly women. Find at least three references to "loud" women in the Bible and describe their character.

**Answers:**

**1. Potiphar's wife** - she was a seductress, trying to trap Joseph in an immoral situation. Lustful, deceitful, vengeful.

Genesis 39:14 That she called unto the men of her house, and spake unto them, saying, See, he hath brought in an Hebrew unto us to mock us; he came in unto me to lie with me, and I cried with a loud voice:

**2. The witch of Endor** - she was a woman opposed to God's ways, a con-artist - it seems that she, too, was surprised when Samuel showed up. This was not what normally happened and she knew that she was a fake!

1 Samuel 28:12 And when the woman saw Samuel, she cried with a loud voice: and the woman spake to Saul, saying, Why hast thou deceived me? for thou art Saul.

**3. the harlot attempting to seduce a young man. A stubborn and immoral woman.**

Proverbs 7:10 And, behold, there met him a woman with the attire of an harlot, and subtil of heart. 11 (She is loud and stubborn; her feet abide not in her house: 12 Now is she without, now in the streets, and lieth in wait at every corner.)

**4. Elisabeth** - when she and Mary met when both were pregnant; her character could be described as 'godly'. Her loud announcement must have been a joyful one. Luke 1: 41 And it came to pass, that, when Elisabeth

heard the salutation of Mary, the babe leaped in her womb; and Elisabeth was filled with the Holy Ghost: 42 And she spake out with a loud voice, and said, Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb.

*One online contestant shared these insights:*

*Loud could be outspoken. 1 Samuel 28:12. . . Loud can mean brawling. Proverbs 21:9 and Proverbs 25:24. . . She is argumentive and hard to live with. Loud can be contentious and angry. Proverbs 21: 19.*

1 Pet 3:3-4 Whose adorning . . . let it be the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible, even the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price.

**5.** What ferocious animal described in the Bible combines characteristics of an animal for riding, an devouring insect, a stinging animal, a carnivore, as well as human characteristics?

**Answer: locusts from the bottomless pit.**

(Rev 9:3-11) "And there came out of the smoke locusts upon the earth: and unto them was given power, as the scorpions of the earth have power. 4 And it was commanded them that they should not hurt the grass of the earth, neither any green thing, neither any tree; but only those men which have not the seal of God in their foreheads. 5 And to them it was given that they should not kill them, but that they should be tormented five months: and their torment was as the torment of a scorpion, when he striketh a man. 6 And in those days shall men seek death, and shall not find it; and shall desire to die, and death shall flee from them. 7 And the shapes of the locusts were like unto horses prepared unto battle; and on their heads were as it were crowns like gold, and their faces were as the faces of men. 8 And they had hair as the hair of women, and their teeth were as the teeth of lions. 9 And they had breastplates, as it were breastplates of iron; and the sound of their wings was as the sound of chariots of many horses running to battle. 10 And they had tails like unto scorpions, and there were stings in their tails: and their power was to hurt men five months. 11 And they had a king over them, which is the angel of the bottomless pit, whose name in the Hebrew tongue is Abaddon, but in the Greek tongue hath his name Apollyon."

**6.** What chapter in the Bible has the most verses referring to waiting on God?

**Answer:** To "wait on the Lord" can mean to serve him, to do his will. That seems to make sense and to be compatible with what is said about those that wait on Him. It may also include the idea of being patient while serving Him because He will keep his promises at the

appropriate time.

Three verses in each - - -

**Psa 37:7** "Rest in the LORD, and wait patiently for him: fret not thyself because of him who prospereth in his way, because of the man who bringeth wicked devices to pass." . . . 9 "For evildoers shall be cut off: but those that wait upon the LORD, they shall inherit the earth." . . . 34 "Wait on the LORD, and keep his way, and he shall exalt thee to inherit the land: when the wicked are cut off, thou shalt see it."

**Psa. 25:3** Yea, let none that wait on thee be ashamed: let them be ashamed which transgress without cause. . . 5 Lead me in thy truth, and teach me: for thou art the God of my salvation; on thee do I wait all the day . . . 21 Let integrity and uprightness preserve me; for I wait on thee.

*Comments from participants:*

1) "Waiting on God" entails trust, a confidence in Him, keeping the faith, prayer and a complete humble submission to His will.

2) Waiting upon God protects us, deepens our trust in Him, forces us to seek His ways and brings Him the most glory. They are times the Lord is testing whether we are really seeking Him and His ways.

3) I know that "waiting on God" are not in all these verses but to me waiting on God means to trust in God, to commit, to rest, to put your complete faith in him and fully expect him to answer in His own time. It means that we never lose sight of God and the promises he has made to us. It means that we lean on him, knowing that he is there and knows what we are going through. If we didn't have to wait on Him for anything, I am afraid that we would take him for granted. By having to wait, it makes us stronger in the end. No one likes to suffer and hurt, but it's pretty much like the poem says, "it's in the valley where we grow".

**7.** Going secretly to a feast, Jesus had tarried behind until his brothers had already gone. What was the feast?

**Answer: Feast of Tabernacles**

John 7:1 After these things Jesus walked in Galilee: for he would not walk in Jewry, because the Jews sought to kill him. 2 Now the Jew's feast of tabernacles was at hand. 3 His brethren therefore said unto him, Depart hence, and go into Judaea, that thy disciples also may see the works that thou doest. 4 For there is no man that doeth any thing in secret, and he himself seeketh to be known openly. If thou do these things, shew thyself to the world. 5 For neither did his brethren believe in him. 6 Then Jesus said unto them, My time is not yet come: but your time is alway ready. 7 The world cannot hate you; but me it hateth, because I testify of it, that the

works thereof are evil. 8 Go ye up unto this feast: I go not up yet unto this feast: for my time is not yet full come. 9 When he had said these words unto them, he abode still in Galilee. 10 But when his brethren were gone up, then went he also up unto the feast, not openly, but as it were in secret.

**8.** What horticultural practice described the coming together of Gentiles with Jews in God's orchard?

**Answer: Grafting - - Romans 11: 13** For I speak to you Gentiles, inasmuch as I am the apostle of the Gentiles, I magnify mine office: 14 If by any means I may provoke to emulation them which are my flesh, and might save some of them. 15 For if the casting away of them be the reconciling of the world, what shall the receiving of them be, but life from the dead? 16 For if the firstfruit be holy, the lump is also holy: and if the root be holy, so are the branches. 17 And if some of the branches be broken off, and thou, being a wild olive tree, wert grafted in among them, and with them partakest of the root and fatness of the olive tree; 18 Boast not against the branches. But if thou boast, thou bearest not the root, but the root thee. 19 Thou wilt say then, The branches were broken off, that I might be grafted in. 20 Well; because of unbelief they were broken off, and thou standest by faith. Be not highminded, but fear: 21 For if God spared not the natural branches, take heed lest he also spare not thee.

Attendance and Contribution

Mo	Wk	BS	MW	EW	Wed	Cont
Sept	6	12	20	17	6	\$562
Aug	30	14	21	13	14	\$742
Aug	23	15	25	19	16	\$612
Aug	16	19	24	23	15	\$723

**Beech Grove News, Prayer Requests**

Remember Laura Singleton, Joe Nichols and Anna Curl in prayer as they continue their ongoing battle with physical problems.

Military: Andy Miller family in Japan; Adam Thomas at Camp LeJeune.

Remember this congregation and the family of Jessie Pearl in prayer as they cope with the her passing.

Thanks to all who brought food for the Green family. Many here made a great effort which was supplemented by food from people in other congregations. The house was full of family members, but no one should have gone away hungry.

Judy Thomas tripped and fell Friday night at home. She is quite sore. James and Doris Mason are sick with "flu-like" symptoms, and unable to attend. Junior, Ann, and Kim Conner have returned to their vacation after coming back for the funeral.

**Programs to Watch and Share with Others**

IN SEARCH OF THE LORD'S WAY

Sundays @ 7:00 am on WUXP-TV 30

Sundays @ 10:00 am on WHTN-TV 39

Mack Lyon, speaker

[www.searchtv.org](http://www.searchtv.org)

PREACHING THE GOSPEL

Sundays @ 7:30 am WUXP-TV30

James Watkins, speaker

(ptgwjw @ aol.com)

Assignments	September 13	September 20
Song leader (SS)	Tim Waldron	Wayne Gannon
Announcements	Joe Green	Junior Conner
Songleader-Worship	Wayne Gannon	Tim Waldron
Scripture reading	Daniel Green	T J Waldron
Opening prayer	Lee Rose	Ken Thomas
Table service (center)	Tim Waldron	Joe Green
(center)	Ken Thomas	Steve Miller
(outside)	Daniel Green	Daniel Green
(outside)	T J Waldron	T J Waldron
Closing Prayer	James Mason	Junior Conner
<i>If you cannot serve, please contact Junior Conner</i>		