

Beech Grove News

Remember all those who are dealing with health problems. Sister Rose is now in rehabilitation at NHC, across the street from MTMC. Continue to remember Marie Crowell in prayer. James Mason is still sick at home.

Record of our attendance:

Date	Classes	AM	PM	Cont.	
Wed.					
10/2	24	33	25	\$529	15
10/9	16	31	22	\$612	25
10/16	22	31	25	\$614	26
10/23	22	31	17	\$450	18
10/30	19	25	20	\$523	21
11/06	25*	30	22	\$485	19
11/13	21	29	22	\$460	25
Goals	25	40	30		35

Workers list for November

Announce: Andy Miller
At the Lord's Table (all month)
Center: Tim Waldron and Cole Gordon
Sides: T. J. Waldron and Daniel Gordon
Sunday A.M. Prayers
Opening Closing
 10/20 James Mason Nick Graham
 10/27 Joe Green T. J. Waldron

Events:

4th Sunday Singing at Mt. View - 2:30

From: Lance Cordle

I have a request. I just learned that a 14-year-old boy in Trezevant, TN (near Atwood) has cancer. His name is Jay Rogers. His father is Tim Rogers and was about 14 when I started preaching at Atwood. Tim was also best friends with Stan Shelton in high school.

Anyway, Jay played jr-hi football and noticed some difficulty in breathing a few weeks ago. Turns out he had tumors in his lungs. He is in St. Jude's in Memphis and has a site on Caring Bridge website: www.caringbridge.org/visit/jayrogers

If you have time, please visit his site and sign his guestbook. Thanks.

"We have been the recipients of the choicest bounties of heaven. We have been preserved, the many years, in peace and prosperity. We have grown in numbers, wealth and power, as no other nation has ever grown. But we have forgotten God. We have forgotten the gracious hand which preserved us in peace and multiplied and enriched and strengthened us; and we have vainly imagined, in the deceitfulness of our hearts that all these blessings were produced by some superior wisdom and virtue of our own.

"Intoxicated with unbroken success, we have become too self-sufficient to feel the necessity of redeeming and preserving grace, too proud to pray to God that made us! It behooves us, then to humble ourselves before the offended Power, to confess our national sins, and to pray for clemency and forgiveness." (April 30, 1863, President Abraham Lincoln)

Inspiration declares, "Beware lest thou forget Jehovah thy God, in not keeping his commandments, and his ordinances, and his statutes, which I command thee this day: when thou hast eaten and art full, and hast built goodly houses, and dwelt therein; and when thy herds and thy flocks multiply, and thy silver and thy gold is multiplied, and all that thou hast is multiplied; then thy heart be lifted up, and thou forget Jehovah thy God, who brought thee forth out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage" (Deut 8:11-14).

Contributed by Tom Moore, Malvern, AR

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Suggested Resume for the Apostle Paul

Personal

characteristics

Sincere (2 Cor. 2:17)
 Zealous (1 Cor. 15:10)
 Humble (2 Cor. 10:1)
 Loving (2 Cor. 2:4)
 Generous
 (2Cor. 12:15)
 Admittedly Sinful
 (1 Tim. 1:15)

* May have attended some classes at the university in Tarsus
 * Gospel revealed to Him by Jesus Christ Himself!

References

Barnabas, Luke, Silas
 Timothy, Titus

Experience

*Extensive experience in starting churches (3 missionary journeys)
 *Worked among both Jews & Gentiles for about 35 years
 *Prolific writer--more than 13 books (some we don't have--e.g. 1st letter to Corinth, letter to Laodicea)

Why some churches today might not consider him:

Too old
 Not married
 Doesn't know how many he baptized!
 Been in jail
 Has many enemies (often the center of riots & uproars, has made people so mad they stoned/beat him, etc.--we need someone who can get along, fit in, etc.)

Education/Training

* Trained in Jerusalem by Gamaliele

Joe Slater, KS
 (edited Ken Thomas)



Schedule of Services

Sunday:

Bible Classes 10 AM
 Worship 11 AM
 6 PM

Wednesday:

Bible Classes 7 PM

Mission Works

Restoration Radio
 Jim Waldron
 Manuelito Children's Home

Mail: P.O. Box 85
 Beech Grove, TN 37018

Visitors

Always
 Welcome



Questions for week of November 20 (Family Relationships)

- 1. What father was due great respect, but asked questions which indicated that he felt disrespected?
2. What father could not find the idols which his daughter had taken from him?
3. Who wanted to kiss his parents before entering his ministry? (He also served ox meat before he left them.)
4. What father was known for feeding birds?
5. What prophet laments the dishonor to God's name when a father and son are intimate with the same woman.
6. Who expressed a curse on the one who took news of his birth to the father?
7. Who was both Paul's son and brother? In what way?

Answers for week of November 13

Helpful information: The Old and New Testaments have different spellings for the names of the same person(s). Elijah = Elias and Elisha = Eliseus

- 1. What dead men were seen talking with Jesus? Answer: "Moses and Elijah". Someone said if the men were dead, Jesus could not have talked to them. But quite a conversation took place in Luke 16 between Abraham, Lazarus, and the rich man! Elijah did not die in the strictest sense of the word, for he was taken away from the earth in a whirlwind, so an objection to the question on that grounds is reasonable. (Deu 34:5) So Moses the servant of the LORD died there in the land of Moab, according to the word of the LORD.

(2 Ki 2:11) And it came to pass, as they still went on, and talked, that, behold, there appeared a chariot of fire, and horses of fire, and parted them both asunder; and Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven. Three accounts speak of the conversation, but the most compact answer is in Mark 9:4

Mark 9:1 And he said unto them, Verily I say unto you, That there be some of them that stand here, which shall not taste of death, till they have seen the kingdom of God come with power. 2 And after six days Jesus taketh with him Peter, and James, and John, and leadeth them up into an high mountain apart by themselves: and he was transfigured before them. 3 And his raiment became shining, exceeding white as snow; so as no fuller on earth can white them. 4 And there appeared unto them Elias with Moses: and they were talking with Jesus. 5 And Peter answered and said to Jesus, Master, it is good for us to be here: and let us make three tabernacles; one for thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elias. (Parallel accounts are in Matthew 17 and Luke 9.)

2. What two named men was Jesus thought (by some) to be? Answer: John, Elijah, or another prophet. (See questions 6 7 for the scriptures. I did not carefully separate these questions. KLT)

3. What did Jesus say on the cross that was interpreted wrongly as a cry for Elijah?

Answer: Eli (or Eloi), Eli, lama sabachthani. Some people thought Jesus was crying out to Elias (Elijah). Matthew 27: 46 And about the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani? that is to say, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me? 47 Some of them that stood there, when they heard that, said, This man calleth for Elias. 48 And straightway one of them ran, and took a sponge, and filled it with vinegar, and put it on a reed, and gave him to drink. 49 The rest said, Let be, let us see whether Elias will come to save him.

Mark 15: 34 And at the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani? which is, being interpreted, My God, my God, why

hast thou forsaken me? 35 And some of them that stood by, when they heard it, said, Behold, he calleth Elias. 36 And one ran and filled a sponge full of vinegar, and put it on a reed, and gave him to drink, saying, Let alone; let us see whether Elias will come to take him down.

4. Elijah was sent to only one of many _____ when a famine was in his land.

Answer: Widows. The event is in 2 Kings 17, but the reference with the wording that fits the question is Luke 4:25-27. There were many widows, but Elijah (Elias) was SENT to only the one, the widow of Sarepta (Zarephath)in Sidon (Zidon). Old Testament and New Testament spellings differ, but these are parallel references.

(1 Ki 17:9-10) "Arise, get thee to Zarephath, which belongeth to Zidon, and dwell there: behold, I have commanded a widow woman there to sustain thee. 10 So he arose and went to Zarephath. And when he came to the gate of the city, behold, the widow woman was there gathering of sticks: and he called to her, and said, Fetch me, I pray thee, a little water in a vessel, that I may drink."

Lk 4:25 But I tell you of a truth, many widows were in Israel in the days of Elias, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, when great famine was throughout all the land; 26 But unto none of them was Elias sent, save unto Sarepta, a city of Sidon, unto a woman that was a widow.

5. Elisha was sent to heal one _____, when there were many of them in his land.

Answer: Leper. . . Naaman the leper is used by Jesus (in Luke 4) to illustrate that even in the Old Testament days whe Israel was given special favor from God, his hand of mercy was extended to those of other nations. Naaman was a leader of the Syrian army (enemies of Israel). But God healed him of his dreaded disease through the instruction by Elisha (Luke 4:27 KJV) "And many lepers were in

Israel in the time of Eliseus the prophet; and none of them was cleansed, saving Naaman the Syrian." (Cf. 2 Kings 5)

6. Because Herod heard of the mighty works of Jesus, he thought maybe Jesus was a dead man who had returned. What names went through his mind as he pondered this?

Answer: Though others had different ideas, Herod was convinced it was John, whom he had murdered. Mark 6:14 And king Herod heard of him; (for his name was spread abroad:) and he said, That John the Baptist was risen from the dead, and therefore mighty works do show forth themselves in him. 15 Others said, That it is Elias. And others said, That it is a prophet, or as one of the prophets. 16 But when Herod heard thereof, he said, It is John, whom I beheaded: he is risen from the dead.

7. According to the apostles, many had identified Jesus incorrectly. Whom did they say he was?

Answer: Elijah or John the Baptist or Jeremiah. Also, other unnamed prophets were being proposed for identifying Jesus. Matthew mentions all three. Mark and Luke do not list Jeremiah.

Mat 16:13-19 "When Jesus came into the coasts of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, saying, Whom do men say that I the Son of man am? 14 And they said, Some say that thou art John the Baptist: some, Elias; and others, Jeremias, or one of the prophets. 15 He saith unto them, But whom say ye that I am? 16 And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God. Mark 8:27 And Jesus went out, and his disciples, into the towns of Caesarea Philippi: and by the way he asked his disciples, saying unto them, Whom do men say that I am? 28 And they answered, John the Baptist: but some [say], Elias; and others, One of the prophets.

Luke 9:18 And it came to pass, as he was alone praying, his disciples were with him: and he asked them, saying, Whom say the people that I am? 19 They answering said, John the Baptist; but some [say], Elias; and others [say], that one of the old prophets is risen again.