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MONDAY MORNING MUSINGS (876)

Let's continue to do great things in the Kingdom this year!

Eighteen days left to “do great things for the kingdom this year,” then *we walk in his steps* in 2022. Next year we walk the life of Jesus the Christ, our Savior and King, from his presentation at the Temple to his ascension to heaven.

Doubtless, you have heard of the storms and tornadoes that swept up the United States on Friday night from Arkansas to Kentucky, Tennessee, Missouri, and Illinois. Mayfield, Kentucky, took a ferocious hit. We support a mission that sends disaster crews and supplies: International Disaster Emergency Service (I.D.E.S.) already has people on the ground at Mayfield. Here is how you can contact them to support their work for the kingdom.

Internet website: www.ides.org Email address: ides@ides.org Phone: 317-773-4111

International Disaster Emergency Service
335 Park 32 West Dr.
Noblesville, IN 46062

This morning, my Scripture reading, and meditation were from Esther 3 and Revelation 22.

In Esther chapter three, I see foreboding darkness in the background. I perceive that a powerful fallen angel is directing a man with a historical generational grudge against the Jews and a king endorsing the extermination of a racial/cultural group without investigation. The man is Haman the Agagite—many Bible scholars agree Agagite is a shortened term for Amalekite (See 1 Sam 14-15 for the historical grudge), and the King is Xerxes I. The date was around 486 BC.

God already had a plan to save the apple of his eye and protect the lineage of Jesus. We also see spiritual elements working behind the scenes in Daniel 10. And, yes, they still do their work in leaders, nations, and people (Rom 8.37-39 and Eph 6.12) today.

HOPE! Darkness will be a thing to the past, and all will be light in the new creation. So, I chose Rev 22.5 for meditation.

*3 No longer will there be anything accursed, but the throne of God and the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him. 4 They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. 5 **And night will be no more.** They will need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.*

No more darkness! No more foreboding shadows. Dark night of the soul banished. Tripping in the dark and feeling one's way in a darkened room is history. Dark moods and grudges healed—a land of cloudless days and eternal light—inextinguishable pure light. May Jesus Christ be praised!

Preacher Bill

Isaiah 9.2 and 6

Church Servants

December 19, 2021

Serving the Table:

Meditation and Prayers: B Lott

Serving South Charleston: T Geake

Flowers for December: Poinsettias

Communion Preparation:

Worship Team: R Bennington/P Corbet/ W Lott/P Tidd

Musicians: L Burkholder/C Graf/J Dwyer/D Hays/

B Long/P Long/D Ritenour

Attendance

S.S.-

Worship

Offering

12/12/21

35

\$3,151.00

Christmas Eve Services will be December 24 ☺ at 6 pm. The Praise Team/Band will be performing, there will be a devotion and time to reflect the season

It's Christmas Card time! Bring in your cards and place them in the boxes in the foyer. You can give the money you save on postage to Denise to go toward missions.

This Christmas Season we would like you to bring in your nativities to decorate the church. You can bring them starting this Sunday and take them home for the New Year. Thank you for decorating our sanctuary.

Up & Coming Activities In Our Family...

December 19 Youth Sunday School, 10 am

Adult Bible Study, 10 am

Morning Worship, 11 am

December 20 Zoom Prayer Meeting, 7 pm

December 24 Christmas Eve Service, 6 pm

Kairos

December 25 HAPPY BIRTHDAY JESUS!

Serving the Table for December:

19 – B Lott

26 – J Kattine

If you would like to purchase a poinsettia in memory or in honor of someone, price to be announced, forms are in the foyer. Place both the form and the money an envelope and put in in the offering plate. The price is \$10. Please have your form in or let Marta know by the morning of Dec 19 so it can be printed in the bulletin and Trumpet.

Our Annual Mitten Tree is up now. Please donate mittens, hats, scarves, etc. If you would like to bring these items in and put them on the tree, it would be greatly appreciated. This helps the Greene County Health district to distribute these items to those children in need.

The Kairos from December 11th is now available on YouTube and Facebook. Next Kairos will be December 24th.

If you would like to join in on the Zoom Prayer Meeting or Bible Study, email the church and Bill will send you an invitation.

December Birthdays:

05 – Emily Sharpe

08 – Matt Corbet, Brad Long

09 – Paula Adams

11 – Sarah Gibson

15 – Jon Mercer

16 – Sara Smith

31 – Jordan Basinger, Korbin Earley

The following people have given poinsettias that adorn our sanctuary this Christmas Season:

Paula A in memory of Don A, Beloved husband & Father

Dan & Peggy H in memory of Carissa H K

Betty L in memory of Helen L