

# PLEASANT VIEW PROCLAIMER

A TIME...BUT NOT A REQUIREMENT...FOR EVERYTHING

Ecclesiastes 3:1 states: "There is an appointed time for everything." It is easy to misread that verse and think it states: "Everything that happens in life is good simply because it happens." Notice verses two through 8. Solomon says there is a time for death, tearing down, throwing stones, and war. Are any of those things good? No. Those things happen in life. Solomon does not give any moral value to anything he lists in those verses.

In Solomon's circular account of life in Ecclesiastes, he writes: "That which has been is that which will be, and that which has been done is that which will be done. So there is nothing new under the sun" (Eccl. 1:9). In other words, what goes around comes around.

Since many negative things will happen in your life due to no fault of your own, how will you handle those situations? Here are a few ideas:

1. Don't be surprised. Solomon warned you.
2. Don't spend countless hours trying to find the cause.
3. It's okay to cry about it. Sad people cry. Don't move to quickly into "fix it" mode.
4. Pray, and then pray some more. Find wisdom in God's word.

James Hayes



*"Above all, keep fervent in your love for one another, because love covers a multitude of sins."*

*1 Peter 4:8*

## IMPORTANT DATES

3/14: Daylight Savings Time begins

3/21: P.M. singing; Happy Haven contribution

## OTHER NEWS

A little over \$5000 was added to our bank account last week. It was determined that it came from the Comer Fund. Extra money was left over to distribute to acapella churches in Tennessee and Kentucky. What a blessing!

Pleasant View church  
of Christ

2500 Highway 49E

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Sunday School: 9:30

Morning Worship:  
10:30

Evening Worship:  
6:00

Wednesday: 7:00

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### ***Prayer List:***

- *John Hayes had surgery on his scalp last Tuesday.*
- *Rick Reed is still being treated with hospice care.*
- *Good to see Sue Clymore back with us last Sunday!*
- *Kristine Garrett's cancer spots have grown some. She will have a port implanted and start receiving experimental medicine soon.*
- *Ann Reed has begun radiation therapy.*

## FORCED UNITY

An old farmer went fishing with a game warden. The two men were enjoying a beautiful day on the lake when all of the sudden a huge explosion went off. The game warden spun around in the boat and noticed hundreds of fish floating to the top of the water. The farmer laughed and said, "Did you enjoy my newest bait—dynamite?!?"

"What?" the warden yelled. "You can't do that. It's against the law!"

The farmer grinned and said, "Well, that might be. But the only question I have for you is this: Are you going to fish or worry about the laws?"

In many churches of Christ where things like instrumental music and female leadership are being proposed, the ones who promote those things will look at us and others and ask, "Are you going to worry about God's word, or are you going to unify with us?"

We always need to be people who are united around God's word. Real unity is not forced. Real unity is not attained by sacrificing God's word.

James Hayes

THOSE WHO WILL SERVE (March 7, 2021)

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

READ: Gupton

PRAYER: Billingsley

### WORSHIP

WAIT ON TABLE: Rose

SERVE: J. Walker, J. Demonbreum, E. Walker

PRAYER: John Hayes