PLEASANT VIEW PROCLAIMER

ADOPTION

David Shannon, the former preacher for Mt. Juliet church of Christ and current president of Freed-Hardeman University, adopted a former student of Freed-Hardeman last week. Tia Faith Shannon is currently pursuing her Masters degree in Social Work at Union University in Jackson. Her biological parents and grandparents are dead. So, she had no physical family...until now. David said, "I will borrow a line from the Psalmist, 'The Lord has done great things for us; we are glad'" (Ps. 126:3).

Ephesians 1:5 states: "He predestined us to adoption as sons through Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the kind intention of His will." Before the beginning of time, God decided that mankind would resolve its sin problem through adoption. Jesus would be the facilitator of that adoption. Through His blood, man can have a right relationship with God and be his child in the most intimate sense of the word.

The greatest advantage to being a child of God is that we receive the world's greatest inheritance: heaven. Your physical parents might leave you a house, car, or farm. That is all wonderful. But nothing we can inherit in this life compares to the eternal joy of heaven. Jesus said He has prepared a place for us, and we should believe Him until the day we die. Living in heaven in the future depends on our living for God in the present.

James Hayes



"Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving each other, just as God in Christ also has forgiven you."

Ephesians 4:32

IMPORTANT DATES

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

3/28: Men's meeting, 5:00

OTHER NEWS

Plans are being discussed for our new building. Hopefully we can have a new facility with little to no debt. TDOT will begin their work in front of our building within a year.

Pleasant View church of Christ

2500 Highway 49E

P.O. Box 189

Pleasant View, TN 37146

Sunday School: 9:30

Morning Worship: 10:30

Evening Worship: 6:00

Wednesday: 7:00

Phone: 615-924-9714

Prayer List:

- Martha Moore, Becky Rose's grandmother, is recovering from a recent fall. Her address is 4650 Pineywoods Rd, Adams, TN 37010.
- Kristine Garrett was accepted into the trial to begin new cancer therapy.
- Charles Baugh is still in the hospital. He is in a regular room but still receiving high flow oxygen. His chest x-ray results looked better.
- Eric Whitaker, a friend of Jearmie Gupton, is in serious condition with Covid.

INFLUENCERS

Last week I wrote about "cancel culture"—a phrase that defines hyper-boycotting in our culture. Another buzzword going around is "influencer." An influencer is someone on social media who has the slightest level of celebrity and can thereby influence others to buy certain products or behave in a certain way. These used to be called endorsers or marketers; now they are influencers.

Every one of us is an influencer, whether you like it or not. Everything you say, everywhere you go, and everything you believe in influences others. People will remember moments that you have forgotten. Children will remember any and all discipline they received. And so on.

Andy Griffith was asked once if he remembered all the episodes of *The Andy Griffith Show*. He said no. He said he only remembered a few moments. Yet, millions of fans of the show can remember every line from every show. So, the person who lived it does not remember much, but the people who *watched him live it* remember everything. Keep that in mind.

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THOSE WHO WILL SERVE (March 21, 2021)

SUNDAY SCHOOL

READ: Reed

PRAYER: John Hayes

WORSHIP

WAIT ON TABLE: Billingsley

SERVE: Rose, J. Walker, J. Demonbreum

PRAYER: E. Walker