

PLEASANT VIEW PROCLAIMER

SUCH A TIME AS THIS

Most casual Bible students know Mordecai's encouragement to Esther: "And who knows whether you have not attained royalty for such a time as this?" (Esther 4:14). Mordecai had heard of Haman's plan to eradicate the Jews, and he thought his relative Esther, being the queen, could use her influence to persuade the king to stop the genocide.

Thankfully, Esther took Mordecai's advice and approached the king on behalf of her people. The Jews were saved, and Haman was killed on the gallows he had built for Mordecai.

Every day brings opportunities to serve the Lord. Paul wrote that "we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them" (Eph. 2:10). Therefore, God not only created the sun, moon, and stars, but He also created opportunities for us to do good works.

A common misunderstanding about opportunities is that they fall from the sky. But the truth is, if we don't look for the opportunities, we will never see them, but they are there. We need to wake in the morning thinking, "What can I do today to help other people? What opportunity did God create for me?"

You might not have Esther's opportunity to save a race of people, but you might have an opportunity to save someone's soul.

James Hayes



"Anxiety in a man's heart weighs it down, but a good word makes it glad."

Proverbs 12:25

IMPORTANT DATES

August 1-4: Gospel Meeting with Coopertown. Nathan Diller will be preaching. Steven Hayes will lead singing.

OTHER NEWS

Charlie Baker was baptized last Sunday evening after our service. We praise God for Charlie's decision and look forward to seeing him grow in his faith!

Last week we announced that building renovations would be happening over the next few weeks. Freddie Brown will oversee that project and solicit help from the men for the bigger jobs.

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

Phone: 615-924-9714

Prayer List:

- *Sympathy is extended to Becky Rose, on the loss of her mother, Janice Moore. Visitation is today from 2-6 at Austin and Bell in Pleasant View. Funeral is 4:00 Monday, with visitation from 2-4.*
- *Tim Donkin has been placed in hospice care.*
- *Kristine Garrett's treatments have been effective. Lesions on her liver have shrunk.*

FEBRUARY 2011—July 2021

I began preaching for the Pleasant View church of Christ the second week of February 2011. (I was actually the second James Hayes to ever preach here.) I announced last Sunday that July 25th would be my last day at Pleasant View. I have accepted the preaching position for the Liberty Hill church of Christ in Bon Aqua, TN.

My time at Pleasant View has created many good memories. I will remember baptizing many of you (Charlie Baker this past Sunday!). I'll remember many trips to Cookeville for Bible Bowl, Easter Egg Hunts, fellowship meals, saving money for the building additions/renovations, and other fun things. We also had many funerals and challenging times.

But that is the beauty of the church. None of us is better than someone else. We are all trying to serve the Lord to the best of our abilities. We fail at times, we succeed at times, but we always have other Christians there to share these moments and lend support.

Thank you again for every kindness. You all have blessed my life immensely. I am changing churches, but relationships continue. Please contact me if I can be of any assistance in the future.

James Hayes

THOSE WHO WILL SERVE (July 18, 2021)

SUNDAY SCHOOL

READ: John Hayes

PRAYER: Gupton

WORSHIP

READ AFTER ANNOUNCEMENTS: Brown

WAIT ON TABLE: E. Walker

SERVE: Billingsley, J. Walker, D. Demonbreum

PRAY: Reed