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Nehemiah 4:6 *So we built the wall. And all the wall was joined together to half its height, for the people had a mind to work.*

The book of Nehemiah is the account of the Jews rebuilding the walls around the capital city of Jerusalem and the temple of the Lord. It is a story of faith, teamwork and the blessing of God on His people when they are dedicated to a task. It is a wonderful account of how God will bless His people when they want to work for His glory.

I thought of this passage from Nehemiah after watching so many people work for the Lord this weekend. I loved Nehemiah's description of the Jews saying "the people had a mind to work". I saw this characteristic in so many of my brothers and sister this weekend. The Bible Bowl trip was as good as it has ever been because so many had a mind to work. The Youth for Christ Kickoff was outstanding because we have so many with the mind to work. The potluck was a great gathering because so many had the mind to work. What a great day at South Gate!

The most exciting part to me about the day is thinking and imagining what God will do with a group of dedicated disciples that have a mind to work. I pray and believe that His blessing will pour down on a group of people that put Him and His work first in this world. The Jews accomplished great things with His blessing in Nehemiah. I am looking forward to seeing increase from Him as we humbly seek His blessings. See you Sunday!

John

Are You Getting The Message?

Luke 13:2 Jesus answered, "Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans because they suffered this way?"

When we look around us there are many warnings for us in life. In Jesus' day some people began to talk with him about some Galileans who were killed by Pilate. He asked if they were the worst of sinners because this happened to them. The answer was no. Jesus then asked them about 18 men that died when the tower of Siloam fell on them. Were they the most guilty of sinners? Is this why they died? Once again the answer is no. One group died due to the inhumanity of man and one group died from an accident. They were not the worst people. In fact, there may have been some very good men in each group. What then were they and us to learn from this account?

Life is uncertain. We never know when a man may attack us. We never know when we might be involved in an accident. We never know what disease may be growing in us. We never know what deadly virus can attack us. We never know when a stray bullet may find us. There are thousands of ways that our life can be ended. The question is not so much about why but rather am I ready to meet the Lord. Jesus declared there was a message delivered by the death of these individuals. It was, "But unless you repent, you too will all perish." We are to ask ourselves, "If this were me, would I be right with God?" Every day must be a day in which we strive to be right with God. If this were my last day would he declare me faithful and a citizen of heaven because of the sacrifice of Jesus?

Joe

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:

OUR MEMBERS

- Mike Andrews
- Alice Bolton - begins new chemo treatment this week
- Ann Brady
- Bernice Bratton
- Joy Brown & Fred Brown
- Bill Carroll - 2502 Shangrila Trail
- Mary Chumbley
- John Churchwell
- Dave Coleman - bone marrow test tomorrow
- Athaleen Cox
- Clyde Farris
- Myrna Jett-broken ankle
- Margaret Johnson
- Maetta King - Poplar Estates 215
- Linda Luna
- Frances Petty - NHC Columbia, Rm. 111-A, 375-4887
- Jimmy Quirk
- Ray Rummage - recovering from surgery
- Virginia Staggs - Poplar Estates, The Gardens, Rm. 6
- Melissa Stutts
- Barney Roland
- Elaine Whitehead

FRIENDS AND FAMILY

David Davidson, Gary Williams, Jackson Gordon, Elizabeth Archard, Marie Skelton, Little Natalie Kuykendall, Little Callie Morfield, Marvin Norman - brother of Roberta Bolton, Greg Grissom, Ann Lamar, Wray Wright, uncle of Cheyenne McNeese - lung cancer, Darrell Brown - cancer, Ralph Gilmore, Vonda Hoeye - friend of Kayla Kirtley, Dianne Thomas Stevens - friend of the Nicholsons, Charles Wilkins - Tracey's dad, Jane Wells, Cynthia Cheek Spicer - sister of Myrna Jett, James Garner-uncle of Terry Burgess, Wanda Nix, sister of Debbie Massey - NHC Columbia, Rm. 134, Dot Martin, sister of Linda Weaver - NHC Columbia, Rm. 138-A, David Phillips, Laurie Ann Beever - cousin of Kim Fitzgerald and Baileys Christensen - friend of Kim, Tracy Worley, Patricia Luna - aunt of Jason Kelley, Austin Long - uncle of Phillis Churchwell, Joyce Runions, Alex and Evan Rector, Shirley Sharp - lung cancer, Debbie Spears, Norma Boyette - sister of Bill Jones & Elaine Whitehead, Roiki Phillips, Juanita Boyd - stepmom of Gary, Kathy Reed - friend of Linda Mabry, Ginger Chesnut, Elvis Frierson - friend of John Mayberry, Glenda Collins - sister of John Mayberry, Katherine Jones - mother of Alice Bolton, Mike Primm, Nick Tank - student at Baker - leukemia, Clara Harvey, aunt of Ray Rummage, Clarence Weaver - Poplar Estates, Rm. 219 - 901-0280, Stacey Brown - cystic fibrosis, Dorothy Rea - sister/Elmer Lusk, Evelyn Felker - sister/Benny Bolton, Ann Graham - Morning Pointe, Rm. 113, Beverly Dawson, Jack & Daisy White, Jane Davis - sister of Nell Hood, David Luther, Jacqueline Potts, Mary Blocker, Mary Robb - Poplar Estates, The Gardens, Rm. 8.

WORSHIP LEADERS SEPTEMBER 18, 2016

SUNDAY 9:00 A.M.

Welcome.....Richard Farris
 Song Leader.....Greg Lusk
 Prayer.....Jerry Ballard
 Lord's Supper: Presiding.....Eric Hixson
 Greg Gray Ryan Massey
 Daniel Thomas Boyd Wood
 Ed Johnson Brennan McNeese
 Danny Lasater Cheyenne McNeese

Read: Matthew 8:32-34.....Mike Kinzer
 Sermon: Begging Jesus to Leave.....John Thomas
 Announcements/Closing Prayer.....Richard Farris

SUNDAY 5:30 P.M.

Welcome/Song Leader.....Kevin Mick
 Prayer.....Byran Farris
 Read: Psalm 69:13-17.....Barry Cross
 Sermon: Prayers from the PitJohn Thomas
 Lord's Supper Presiding.....Benny Bolton
 Announcements/Closing Prayer.....Charlie Willis

Ushers: Jim Anderson, Larry Nicholson, Tommy Skelley

Greeters: Mike & Teresa Lyle, Jerry & Judy Barber

Visual: Jimmy Quirk

Security Team: A.M. and P.M.—Jason Kelley, Larry Nicholson

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NURSERY CARE

A.M.....Lisa Kelley, Reba Jones
 P.M.....Sharon & Jennifer Davis

Wednesday, Sept. 21 - Fall Series - 6:30 P.M.

Song LeaderBlair Keeling
 Prayer.....Blake Daniels
 Announcements.....John Thomas
 Speaker.....Joel Oswalt