

Pastor's Pen

Hourglass!

"So teach us to number our days, That we may present to You a heart of wisdom." Ps 90:12

Each day, there are 24 hours, 1,440 minutes, and 86,400 seconds. Every one of them is a precious and cherished gift from God. When you were born, God turned over the hourglass of your life. He knows the exact number of days you have here on this earth.

When we are young, time seems to be crawling by. I remember clearly thinking how badly I wanted to be 16 years old to get my driver's license. I thought that day would never come, but it did. I couldn't wait to finish high school and start my life as an adult, but that day came and went. Now, as I look back at my life, I am just amazed at how fast 68 years have come and gone. The good news for all of us who belong to Christ is that this life is only the beginning of our relationship with God.

Moses is the author of Psalm 90, written around 1400 BC. That makes it the oldest of the 150 Psalms. In verse 11, Moses considers righteous anger and wrath: "Who knows the power of Your anger and Your fury, according to the fear that is due You?" As Moses contemplates that question, he provides a clear example of prayer regarding our mortal lives. We need wisdom to account for our time.

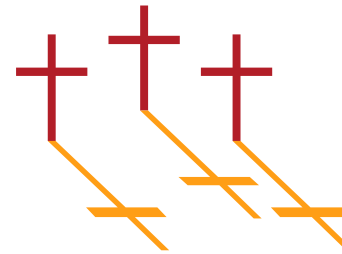
We know these truths. Time flies, life is uncertain, and God judges sin. God does not promise us tomorrow. How many times have you been shocked by the untimely death of a loved one or brother or sister in Christ? It is important, therefore, to value the moments and days He has given us.

We cannot know what tomorrow will bring (Proverbs 27:1), so we ought to dedicate today and every day to the Lord. We must live sensibly and with a purpose, yet do so one day at a time.

We should pray for wisdom to live each day that He gives us for Him. Our prayer in the morning should be what David prayed: ***"Teach me to do Your will, For You are my God; Let Your good Spirit lead me on level ground!" (Psalm 143:10).*** Surely, if we consider every 24 hours as something valuable God has entrusted to us, we would faithfully live our days in ways that honor Him (1 Corinthians 4:2).

Your shepherd,

Pastor Mark



Quote of the Week

"Let me forget the world — and be swallowed up in the desire to glorify God."

- David Brainerd

Grace Gems

Toys! Sports and games for children!- (Charles Spurgeon, "The Spur")

"As long as it is day, we must do the work of Him who sent Me. Night is coming, when no one can work." John 9:4

Some men are spending their time in making money. That is the main object of their lives. They would be as usefully employed probably if they spent all their lives in collecting pins or cherry stones!

Whether a man lives to accumulate gold coins or rusty nails—his life will be equally groveling, and end in the same disappointment.

Money-making, or fame-making, or power-getting—are mere toys, mere sports and games for children!

I once heard of a clergyman who often went hunting, and when he was reproved, he replied that he never went hunting when he was on duty. But he was asked, "When is a clergyman off duty?" And so with the Christian, when is he off duty? He ought to be always about his Father's business, ready for anything and everything that may glorify God.

We have a high calling of God in Christ Jesus, and this must have the supremacy!

Poor or rich, healthy or sick, honored or disgraced—we must glorify God.

This is necessity. All else may be—this must be!

Our time in which to serve the Lord on earth is very short. If we would glorify God, we must do it now.

We resolve, sternly resolve, and desperately determine, that we will not throw away our lives on trifling objects; but by us God's work must and shall be done; each man will do his own share, God helping him.

May the ever blessed Holy Spirit give us power and grace to turn our resolves into acts.

Weekly Gatherings

Bible Classes

Old & New Testament Classes
Ladies Class
Young Adults Young Parents
Youth Surge
Sunday Morning @ 9:00AM

Weekday Meetings

Mondays | 7PM Men's Bible Study

Wednesdays | 6:30PM AWANA

Family Groups

Thursdays @ 7PM
Please see website for locations

Build the Body Teams

If you would like to serve on a BtB Team and need to sign up, please contact the team leader at the appropriate email address on the back of this bulletin.

Youth Study

Wednesdays @6:30PM
Youth Study; AWANA & Surge!

Service Times

Sunday Services 10:30AM
Sunday School 9:00AM
Children's Church @11:00AM

Giving from service on 11/03/2024

General Offering	\$16,816.42
Building Fund	\$2,959.00
Uganda Missions	\$152.00
Benevolence	\$154.00
Listrom's	\$100.00

Total.....\$20,181.42
Attendance 228
Online..... 30

Build the Body Ministries

Women's Ministry-women@ghbcva.org
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