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Using God's Word to Chart The Course Of A Congregation

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Service Times

Sunday Bible Study 9 AM Sunday Worship 10 AM 6 PM Wednesday 6 PM

OTHER ACTIVITIES:

Ladies Bible Class

11AM Tuesdays

Prayer Meeting

Tuesdays 10 AM

Joyful Generation

(Youth Devotional & fellowship)

1st Sunday 7:00 PM April 26, 2015

Annual Spring Gospel Meeting Looking to Jesus Hebrews 12:2



Guest Speaker: Glenn Colley (Huntsville, AL)

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May 3rd — 6th 2015 **Sunday—Wednesday** Scheduled service times: Sunday:

9:00 AM "Looking To Jesus For His Last Will And Testament

10:00 AM "Looking to Jesus For My Marriage" (Potluck Luncheon following Morning Worship) 6:00 PM "Looking to Jesus For The Truth About Gay Marriage"

Monday

6:00 PM "Looking To Jesus To Rear My Children To Be Faithful To Him"

Tuesday

6:00 PM "Looking To Jesus On His Cross"

Wednesday

6:00 PM "Looking to Jesus For My Hope"

(All Times Central) **Everyone is Welcome**

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CONGRATS TO OUR GRADS



Carissa Burnett
Graduating SMHS Currently in EMT
certificate program at Tech and plans
to go on to be a paramedic.



Amanda Ford Graduating CCHS plans to attend Roane State majoring in nursing.



Ali Harris Graduating SMHS signed to play tennis at Carson Newman and major in nursing.



Tori HarrisGraduating SMHS plans to attend
Roane state majoring in
pre-veterinarian.



Amy Loveday Graduated CCHS currently enrolled in beauty school.



Blake McLaughlin Graduating CCHS plans to attend Roane State majoring in sports broadcasting.



Haley Mitchell
Graduating CCHS plans to
attend college majoring in
business.

"This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.

Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the LORD thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest."

(Joshua 1:8-9)



Josh Roberts
Graduating CCHS plans to work
at Chan's Body Shop and take
over the wrecker service.

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DECISIONS FOR GRADUATION

Kent Heaton

This time of year is filled with anticipation and excitement as young people who have spent more than half of their life in school will graduate and move on to the next phase of their lives. With eagerness graduates will enter the world with naïve expectations and goals. There will be many lessons to learn from the "university of hard knocks" and without proper guidance, these decisions will lead to life long regrets. How can the young secure their hearts to make decisions that will offer a life time of rewards? The answer lies within the pages of God's word.

The fifth book of the Bible is a place of transition for a newly formed nation. From the days of Abraham in Genesis through the stories of the Exodus, the nation of Israel was formed and delivered from the bondage of Egyptian oppression. Because of rebellion, the nation had spent forty years wandering through the wilderness. Joshua has taken the lead of the nation following the death of Moses. The Lord's advice to Joshua in Joshua I is an important foundation that young people should build their lives upon.

In verse two, Jehovah says to Joshua – "Moses my servant is dead; now therefore arise, go over this Jordan, thou, and all this people, unto the land which I do give to them, even to the children of Israel." Joshua needed to recognize that the days of Moses were passed and that a new day dawned. There was a time of mourning for Moses (Deuteronomy 34) but those days were passed. There was work to be done and goals to accomplish. The Jordan River needed to be crossed to conquer the land. Joshua should focus on the task at hand without the regrets and disappointments of yesterday.

Someone once said, "We are victims of our past, prisoners of the present and judges of our future." The days of High School are over and the expanse of life is before each graduate. An eye of anticipation should prevail as each graduate begins to set the course for his or her life. There may be regrets in life and disappointments but what matters now is establishing solid patterns of decisions that will lessen the regrets of the future. "Now therefore" signifies the face being set for the challenges of tomorrow.

God tells Joshua to "arise and go over this Jordan." This is the importance of action and direction. Talking about conquering the land of Canaan did not get the job done. Crossing the Jordan and going about the work of God's plan required action. In life, there will be many Jordan's to cross. There will be Jericho's that give us great victory (Joshua 6) and there will be failures as in the day of Ai (Joshua 7). The difference between Jericho and Ai is whether one trusts in the Lord and obeys him.

Joshua was promised by God that in obedience, no man would be able to stand against the people of God nor would God forsake them (Joshua 1:5). The most valuable tool the graduate can take with them in life is the promise of God given to Joshua. If one will fully trust in the Lord and seek His guidance in life, great victories will be achieved. Forsaking Jehovah will only bring failure. It takes courage to face the uncertainties of the future. "Be strong and of a good courage" (Joshua 1:6) Be alert to the wiles of the devil (I Peter 5:8) and follow the admonition of Paul in Ephesians 5:15,16 — "See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil."

The final advice is never to let the word of God depart from your life. "Turn not from it to the right hand or to the left ... not depart out of thy mouth ... meditate day and night ... observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success" (Joshua 1:7-8). The decision is yours, graduate. Let Jehovah God rule in your life and guide your steps.

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