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Fall Into Prayer and Service By Mary H. Yancy

Matt. 9:37 Then He said to His disciples, *"The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. 9:38 Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into His harvest field."*



What a privilege to be included. He desires men, women and children to be involved in planting, watering, and harvesting. There are no special qualifications, only that you pray, believe and depend

We are now in the season of Fall, which for many farmers, is harvest time. As we look around, we can't help but notice the beauty of God's creation. The colors of fall, cooler temperatures and shorter daylight hours, remind us of the change of season. God's Word, likens Jesus to a farmer who patiently tends His crop, waiting for the right time to harvest.

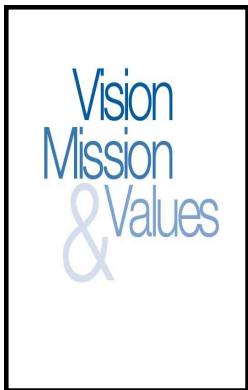
As Jesus went about, He saw the multitudes and was moved with compassion for them. His heart

was burdened for His people. He knew that many were spiritually bankrupt. So He turned to His disciples for help in ministering to the people. The people were likened to a field, ready to be harvested of a crop. There was much to be harvested; it was plentiful. Those who should have been working in the harvest field, were not faithful in their tasks. They probably said, "I'm too busy, let someone else do it, or I'll do it next year."

Jesus had already prepared for the harvest. He had prepared the people and the disciples for this time. Jesus was calling upon His disciples to assist Him in reaping the harvest of souls.

on Him with all your soul, mind and will. Unless Jesus sends the laborers, there will be no power to reap a harvest.

Greenwood has many ministries that are in need of more workers. Or perhaps there is a ministry that has not yet been identified, that is on your heart. We should be conscious that while we are praying, God may be speaking to us and challenging us to perform some type of service for Him. Those whom God calls, He equips. He has prepared good works for us from before the creation of the world.



**Join the Mission
“Reaching the
Lost and
Teaching the
Cross”**



A Plan By Jewel Mcgahee

At the welcome dinner, Pastor Dykes revealed that over ten years ago he was sitting in the balcony of the large sanctuary of Greenwood thinking about the possibilities of being the minister of this church. Now, here he is in 2018, serving as the minister of our church.

Truly, God had a plan for Pastor Dykes’ life and he has a plan for your life too. You will find there are many career paths, and numerous educational and training opportunities available to you. As you begin to choose a career, the

most important thing you can do is pray and ask for His guidance.

In your quest, you may be led to the following:

1) Books, magazines, blogs and websites that provide information for you to read about occupations, what people do and how much money they make. [The Occupational Outlook Handbook](#), is a website by the US Department of Labor, that gives information about all jobs.

2) Your guidance counselor, who has all kinds of career information. Volunteer in the guidance office; ask to take an inventory assessment.

3) Volunteer opportunities to explore every summer. You never know who you will meet.

4) Interview opportunities with people who share your interests.

Jeremiah 29:11 “For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.”

Acute Kidney Failure By Cassandra Cowans & Mary Stewart

Acute kidney failure occurs when your kidneys suddenly become unable to filter waste products from your blood. When kidneys lose their filtering ability, dangerous levels of waste may accumulate and your blood’s chemical makeup may get out of balance.

Acute kidney failure, also called acute renal failure or acute kidney injury, develops rapidly, usually in less than a few days. Acute kidney failure is most common in people who are already

hospitalized, particularly in critically ill people who need intensive care.

Acute kidney failure can be fatal and requires intensive treatment. However, acute kidney failure may be reversible. If you’re otherwise in good health, you may recover normal or nearly normal kidney function. Signs and symptoms of acute kidney failure may include: decreased urine, fluid retention, swelling in legs, ankles or feet, shortness of

breath, fatigue, confusion, nausea, irregular heartbeat, chest pain or pressure, seizures or coma in severe cases. Acute kidney failure can occur when you have a condition that slows blood flow to your kidneys, you experience direct damage to your kidneys or your kidneys’ urine drainage tubes (ureters) become blocked and waste can’t leave your body through your urine. Some preventive measures are to pay attention to labels when taking over-the-counter pain medications and make healthy living a priority.

“Justice in the New Testament” By Dr. Tyrone T. Davis

My assignment is to write an overview of the theme for Summer 2018 Sunday School lessons, which was entitled, “Justice in the New Testament.” Since this overview occurs after the Summer Quarter, for some, it may be a refresher. The best overview I can offer is to share what was most meaningful to me, which I found in the Standard Lesson Commentary. Because justice, is an important issue for us today, in both local and national news and it was also an important issue of both the Old and New Testaments, I will attempt to paraphrase the Commentary’s introduction thusly.

Justice in the biblical period was not a simple concept. In fact, there were four classical subcategories that further describe justice:

Distributive Justice – focused on economic fairness. Its primary point was that individuals should receive what is due them.

Procedural Justice –focused on due process, or fairness, in the application of rules. Such as, the principle emphasized in the commands to treat foreigners, widows, orphans and individuals with no legal status – justly.

Restorative Justice –focused on punishments that required an offender to make restitution. There were no jails in ancient Israel, so criminals were expected to repay damages. This type of justice today is found in our civil courts.

Retributive Justice –focused on punishment for its own sake, such as penalties levied proportionate to the crime and was often found in principles such as an “eye for an eye.”

If your curiosity has been peaked, then why not join us in Sunday School!

9.16. 2018 A Special Welcome Service**And Dinner****Honoring****Pastor Omar L Dykes****Remarks by Reverends George, Reynolds, Davis and Pastor Dykes****9.9.2018 Connectional Ushers Day**

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- ⇒ October 2 1st Quarterly Conference 6p
- ⇒ October 10 CYF 5p
- ⇒ October 13 Evangelism Prayer Walk 9a/ Youth Choir 10a
- ⇒ October 16 Church Conference 6p
- ⇒ October 20 Health Fair 10a
- ⇒ October 21 Annual Choir Day/ Blood Pressure Screening
- ⇒ October 27 Greeters Mtg. 10a

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