

# BROAD STREET

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### *From Where I Sit . . .*

#### **“EVERYTHING HAS A PURPOSE”**

As I sit here at my desk wondering what to write for this week’s bulletin article, this passage in Ecclesiastes 3: 1, “[3:1] *To everything there is a season, A time for every purpose under heaven,*” keeps coming into my mind. It is one of my favorite passages for it reminds me that God has a purpose for all things that occur in our lives. Our lives with everything that happens to us whether it is by our own choices, the choice of others, or simply the circumstances of life. God takes these things and He uses these things to carry out His purposes.

This is a great thing for us to know for when difficult things come we have a tendency to forget this principle. I doubt Job could see how God would use the difficult situations that occurred in his life to help us and others see that God is always there to help us through even the most difficult of life’s circumstances. I doubt Job could see that things would be even better in the end than they were in the beginning. See God used the difficulties in Job’s life to prove that He helps us overcome our difficulties so the end is better than the beginning. I doubt that Peter looking into the eyes of Jesus after he betrayed him three times could see Jesus would help him overcome these difficult circumstances. Jesus would help Peter overcome these difficulties to be the one who would open up the kingdom of God to those who believed. Peter’s end was also better than the beginning. It is obvious in these illustrations that God works alongside us to help us overcome our difficulties to carry out His purposes.

This reminds me of a great principle of life. Life is a series of obstacles we must overcome to be what we will become. God works alongside us to overcome these obstacles that are placed in our way, Matthew 11: 28 - 30, “[28] *Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. [29] Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. [30] For My yoke is easy and My burden is light.*” God uses these obstacles to carry out His purposes in our lives. We must remember, as this passage remind us, God will carry out His purposes at just the right time. We must allow the time for God to carry out His purposes. Overcoming our obstacles leaves behind a heritage. This heritage can motivate others to overcome their obstacles. Notice the last verse, Ecclesiastes 3: 22, “[22] *So I perceived that nothing is better than that a man should rejoice in his own works, for that is his heritage. For who can bring him to see what will happen after him?*” What do we want our heritage to look like? One who gave in and quit when obstacles became difficult for us? Or one who took the challenge of obstacles and with God’s help worked to overcome these obstacles? Isn’t overcoming obstacles what Jesus did for us when he died on the cross? To those who overcome there is a great promise, Revelation 21: 7, “[7] *He who overcomes shall inherit all things, and I will be his God and he shall be My son.*” Truly the end will be better than the beginning.

... Randy Brown



*Please pray for our sick and remember them with cards, calls and visits.*

**Joan Little** had knee replacement on Monday, April 8<sup>th</sup> and is doing well. Please pray for a successful and speedy recovery.

**Jason Judd**, son-in-law of Randy and Kim Brown, has a recurrence of melanoma in the brain. He will have surgery to remove the tumor soon. Please pray for Jason and his family. 221 Mitchell St., Henderson, TN 38340.

**Leah Gilliam** will be having surgery on Thursday, April 18<sup>th</sup> to remove a benign tumor. Please keep her in your prayers.

**Linda Holcomb**, aunt of Scott Grant, was found unresponsive and has a brain aneurysm. She is in critical condition and on a ventilator and having more tests done. Please keep her in your prayers.

**Jody Lemley**, niece of Nancy Miles, is in Huntsville Hospital with several health problems. Prayers are appreciated.

**LONG-TERM PRAYER LIST**

- Euyless Holcomb**
- Doyle Lemaster**
- Robin Shelton**
- Charlotte Vinson**
- Tammy McGuire**
- Roxie Wright**

**Cully Nelson Sr**, friends of many in the congregation, 102 Spinnaker Ln, Scottsboro, AL 35769.

**Patty Andrews**, tenant and friend of LaRue Anderson.

**Barbara Palmer**, friend of LaRue Anderson.

**Terri Lyn Rickman**, daughter of Charlotte Vinson and sister of Cynthia Nance and Tammy McGuire, 1681 McMullen Rd., Gurley, AL 35748.

**Judy Blizzard**, grandmother of Tyler Blizzard, 1158 Co. Rd. 230, Hollywood, AL 35752.

**Mildred Lasater**, 92 yr old Skyline CoC member, 1007 Pleasant Grove Rd., Woodville, AL 35776.

**Ginger Myers**, sister of Roger Myers.

**Jean Ferguson**, a former member, 3329 Berryside Dr., Murfreesboro, TN 37128.

**Jennifer Collet**, friend of the Prices', 308 Knob Creek, Wartrace, TN 37183.

**McKenzie York**, cousin of Ashley Dover, David Bagley, and Angela Bagley, C/O Anji Rowell to McKenzie York, PO Box 285, Section, AL 35771.

**Jerry Nickell**, brother of Betty Robinson and Linda Nickell, 6343 Browns Run Rd., Middletown, OH 45042.

**Herbert Barnes**, brother of Charlene Cobb.

**Pam Devenport**, Scott Grant's mother, 93 Lorelei Dr., Fayetteville, OH 45118.

**Sandy Roden**, uncle of Chris Epps, 1857 Valgreen Lane, Hoover, AL 35226.

**Nettie Murrah**, Tracy Brumley's mother.

**Bob Milk**, brother-in-law of Robin Shelton.

**Jordan Holt**, US Navy-Reserve

**Abigail Holt**, US Navy

**Nathan Bridges**, US Air Force-Reserve

**Paige Chrisman**, US Air Force

**Nathaniel Doan**, US Marine Corps

**Anthony Worst**, US Marine Corps

**Noah Linville**, US Navy Academy

**Caleb Baker**, US Navy

**NURSING HOME RESIDENTS & HOMEBOUND**

<b>Cloverdale Manor</b> 412 Cloverdale Rd. <u>Scottsboro, 35768</u>	<b>Rosewood Manor</b> 1513 Co. Park Rd. <u>Scottsboro, 35769</u> Jaxie Hargrave Debra Kime	<b>Southern Estates</b> 212 E. Stewart Rd. <u>Scottsboro, 35769</u>
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*Calendar of Upcoming Events—*

- Apr 10 – Hostess' meeting for Jessica Dawson's baby shower after services in chapel
- Apr 21 – Baby Shower honoring Jessica Dawson
- May 4 – Girls Day(6th Grade and Up) @ Meridianville CoC, sign up on bulletin board
- May 5 – Baby Shower honoring Natalie McDaniel
- May 11 – Ladies Day @ 9AM, Speaker: Sheila Butt, sign up on bulletin board
- Father/Son Top Golf @ 9AM, sign up on bulletin board

<i>One Measure Of Our Love</i>	<i>Wed. Bible Study..... 150</i> <i>Sunday Bible Study..... 158</i> <i>Sun. A.M. Worship..... 228</i> <i>Sun. Night Worship..... 171</i> <i>Contribution..... \$9,703.00</i> <i>Budget..... \$9,047.00</i>
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*Lana Makhnitska, a frequent visitor of Broad Street, has asked for prayers for her brother's(Valeriy Radchik) family in Ukraine. Russia recently bombed the entire city, Kharkiv, and their home was destroyed. They were able to escape and now are in Kup'yans'ki. Please keep her family and all the innocent lives that have been affected by the war. Cards may be sent to Lana at 1295 Main St. S., Section, AL 35771.*



- Apr 14 - Parent Meeting after morning services
- Apr 20 - Lads to Leader Banquet @ Woods Cove, please sign up on bulletin board for a dinner count
- Apr 26-28 - Rocket City Spring Retreat
- May 4 - Girls Day Day(6th Grade and Up) @ Meridianville CoC, sign up on bulletin board
- May 11 - Broad Street Ladies Day @ 9 AM
- Father/Son Top Golf @ 9 AM, sign up on bulletin board



Join us on Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup> at 1 PM to 3 PM in the MPR for a Diaper and Wipes Shower honoring Jessica Dawson. Jessica and James are expecting a boy and are registered at Amazon.

Please join us on Sunday May 5<sup>th</sup> for a baby shower to honor Natalie McDaniel at 2 PM in the MPR, Natalie and Connor are expecting a boy and are registered at <https://www.babylist.com/list/natalie-mcdaniel> and Grapevine.

Broad Street will be collecting canned drinks, gatorades, and snacks(full size candy bars, individual bags of chips, and little debbies) for the Rocket City Youth Spring Retreat. Please place donated items in the East Foyer by the elevator before Wednesday, April 24<sup>th</sup>. Monetary donations may also be given to Connor or one of the elders.



The annual Rocket City Youth Spring Retreat will be Friday, April 26<sup>th</sup> to Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup> at Camp Neyati. The cost of the weekend will be \$70 per person, includes all food and canteen. A sign up sheet is posted on the bulletin board. Please see Connor if you need monetary assistance.



Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ,  
 Many heartfelt thanks for the prayers, cards of sympathy, and words of comfort and concern following the passing of my mother. Your loving thoughts and prayers are dear to my heart. May God bless each of you for all the ways you show that you care.



In Love and Gratitude,  
 Sheryl Porch & Family

**PUPPET PROGRAM- April 14, 2024**

**Narrator:** Trey Russell

**Teachers:** Erica, Bandy, Chantel, Cynthia

**Puppets:** Patton, Stone, Tyler, Tatum, Ruby, Eliza

**God, Make Me "Very Good"**

And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day. -Genesis 1:31  
 It was only after God created man that He declared the Creation "very good." Keep this in mind.

God is very complex, so much so that when Moses asked His name, God declared Himself, "I AM WHAT I AM" (or "I am what I will be). This name denotes a Being in Whom there is no change, Someone Who is already perfect and complete- the embodiment of Goodness. So, whenever we read about God doing something, we can gain true and accurate insight into Who He is without fail. His ways are not our ways (Isaiah 55:8), so we may not always immediately understand God's plans or actions, but they will always fit into His nature.

So, we turn to the Creation. In seeing God create a beautiful Earth, we learn about His goodness. God is love and light, and He is so good that He wants to share that. He creates this beautiful Earth as a testament to His power and glory, and ultimately, He creates a being capable of not just caring for it but enjoying the fruit of it as well. On the sixth day, God created man, and His declaration of the Creation being "very good" notes that man, a creature with freewill and the power to choose love and care for things, was the pinnacle of that Creation. Only man could have messed it up. And man did.

We see from Creation God wants to make things, and when He does make things, He makes them "very good". But there are only a few chapters between God declaring man "very good" and His choice to send a flood to destroy the world, except Noah and his family. So, man was good, and then he wasn't, and God, being a creator and cultivator, made a way for man to be reinvented as it were, for you and I to become "very good" once again through the power of Christ (II Corinthians 5:17).

I think we should ask ourselves this question: "Has God created me and my life?"

Now, the obvious answer is yes, God created all of us and everything else. But think about it from a more metaphorical, even ethereal sense. The life you lead now, has it been created and cultivated by God? Some of you are probably thinking, "Well, obviously." We know everything good, every blessing in life, it all comes from God. But much like man had the power to choose what he would do with what God gave him in the Garden of Eden, you have the power to choose what you will do with the things God gives you. Will you make decisions through prayer, with His guidance? Will you bear the Fruit of the Spirit? Will you search for wisdom and instruction as Solomon advises, or ask God for wisdom like James says we should. God gives the tools to build, and we choose we will allow Him to assist. Will you allow God to make your life "very good"?

- Connor McDaniel

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**SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**

WORSHIP..... Sunday 9:55 A.M. and 6:00 P.M.  
BIBLE STUDY..... Sunday 9:00 A.M.  
and Wednesday 6:30 P.M.  
LADIES BIBLE CLASS..... Tuesday 10:00 A.M.

**Those to Serve...**

SUNDAY, April 14, 2024

Announcements: Trey Russell

Song Leader: Preston Dover

Prayer: Robin Shelton

Serve at the Lord's Table:

Presiding: Ted Crona

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| 1W- Marty Cobb     | 1E- Robin Shelton   |
| 2W- Chuck Davis    | 2E- Bill Price      |
| 3W- Tim Allen      | 3E- Grady Gattis    |
| 4W- Wesley Stewart | 4E- Russell Wilhelm |
| 5W- Zane Stewart   | 5E- Max Stewart     |
| 6- Abram Stewart   |                     |
| 7W- Ron Graham     | 7E- Scottie Green   |

Speaker: Randy Brown

Closing Prayer: Vince Laney

Ushers: Ron Graham & Scottie Green

**P.M. SERVICE:**

Song Leader: Mark Price

Scripture: Abram Stewart

Prayer: Brad Wilhelm

Speaker: Randy Brown

Lord's Supper: Tim Allen & Grady Gattis

Closing Prayer: Will Shelton

**WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY: April 17, 2024**

Scripture: Tripp Ledbetter

Song Leader: Kenneth Beard

Prayer: Euyless Holcomb

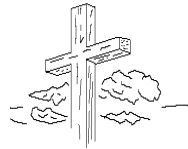
CONTACT ELDER: David Precise

OPEN & CLOSE BUILDING FOR THE MONTH:

John A. Porch

If you are unable to serve, please call:

Dave Precise 256-599-6668



**Requires  
First Class  
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*The Word of God (the Bible) never changes.  
If you go to worship to hear something other  
than His Word,  
You have gone for the wrong reason.  
If you hear something other,  
You are at the wrong place.*

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