THE VIEWPOINT

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Scripture invites us to meditate

"The Psalms open describing the lifestyle and practices of the godly follower of the Lord (Ps. 1:1-6). One of the prominent qualities of the blessed man is this-he constantly meditates upon the law of God."

> Read the full article @ https://bit.ly/3WYYZei or scan the QR code

Article written by Kie Bowman







THE WIDOW'S OIL

By Donny Hatfield

In the Bible, numerous stories showcase God's provision and care for those in need. One such story is the account of the widow's oil found in 2 Kings 4:1-7. This story is a powerful reminder that God sees our struggles and can provide in miraculous ways.

Who was the widow, and what was her predicament?

The widow was the wife of one of the sons of the prophets, a follower of the Lord. Her husband had died, leaving her in debt.

What did Elisha instruct the widow to do with the bit of oil she had?

Elisha instructed the widow to borrow as many empty vessels as she could from her neighbors, go into her house, shut the door, and pour her small amount of oil into all the vessels until they were full. What sticks out to me most about this passage?

God Knows Our Needs

The widow was in a desperate situation. Her husband had died, and she was left with a debt that she couldn't pay. In her distress, she cried out for help. This shows us that God knows our struggles and hears our cries for help.

God Uses What We Have

When Elisha asked the widow what she had in her house, she replied, "Your servant has nothing in the house except a jar of oil." God often uses what we already have to bring about His provision and miracles, no matter how little it may seem.

Provision for the Future

After selling the oil, the widow could pay off her debts and had enough left for her and her sons to live on. God provided for her immediate needs and ensured her future security.

The story of the widow's oil is a beautiful illustration of God's provision and care. But this story also points us to a deeper truth—the ultimate provision that God has made for us through Jesus Christ.

Open Church Positions

First Baptist Church Pigeon Forge is seeking a part-time nursery worker on Sundays. Candidates must be at least 18 years old with a high school diploma or equivalent, and a current CPR certification from the American Heart Association. They must be willing to submit to a background check and prove that all immunizations and tests (particularly a TB test) are up-to-date. General working hours are 9 a.m. to noon each Sunday. The pay is \$15/hour. There may be some additional opportunities to work during special events. Please go to our website (https://www.fbcpf.org/documents) to download the Employment Application. Email applications to office@fbcpf.org.



Churches without a pastor:

- -Bethel Baptist Church
- -Laurel Branch Baptist Church
- -Providence Baptist Church

Please call the office with any updates to church positions ... thanks!

BEAPRC BRIDGE BUILDER PASTOR dinner

when: Thursday, September 19

time: 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM

where: SEVIER COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION OFFICE

835 W MAIN ST, SEVIERVILLE, TN 37862





Don't miss the jam packed, informative dinner. A night to equip you for families in your church and your community! Register yourself and your leadership team at no-cost today. Spots are limited.

Coming Together in love

139TH ANNUAL MEETING

MONDAY, OCT. 21ST

6:30pm - Session 1

SHILOH

1432 Shiloh Church Rd. Seymour, TN 37865

Speaker: Rick Curtis, NAMB

TUESDAY, OCT. 22ND 6:30pm - Session 2

HENDERSON CHAPEL

407 Henderson Rd. Pigeon Forge, TN 37863

Speaker:Pastor Ronnie White



SEPTEMBER 28TH 5PM - 8PM

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ROARING FORK BAPTIST CHURCH

Church Gifts			
June 2024			
Alder Branch		Millican Grove	
Banner		Mountain View	\$597.02
Beech Springs		New Center	\$50.00
Bells Chapel		New Era	\$235.55
Bethel		New Salem	
Blowing Cave		Northview	\$100.00
Boyds Creek		Oak City	
Bradley's Chapel		Oldham's Creek	\$471.22
Calvary	\$25.00	Paw Paw Hollow	\$669.96
Connect		Pigeon Forge 1st	
Covemont		Providence	
Dripping Springs	\$696.45	Red Bank	\$200.00
Dupont		Red Bank 1st	
Faith Fellowship		Richardson's Cove	
French Broad Valley	\$300.00	Roaring Fork	\$250.00
Friendship		Sevierville 1st	\$2,083.33
Gatlinburg First	\$50.00	Sevierville 2nd	
Gists Creek		Seymour 1st	\$881.75
Grace	\$63.47	Shiloh	
Gumstand		Sims Chapel	
Henderson Chapel	\$171.00	Smithwood	
Hills Creek		Sugar Loaf	
Howard's View		Union Valley	
Hurst Chapel		Valley View	\$285.00
Jones Chapel		Walden's Creek	\$60.00
Knob Creek	\$136.95	Walnut Grove	
Kodak		Wears Valley	\$289.00
Laurel Branch		Williamsburg	
Laurel Grove		Zion Grove	\$157.00
Lebanon	\$328.00	Zion Hill	
Maples Branch	\$28.00	Individuals	
TOTAL		\$8,128.70	

Praying for our Pastors

September 1st - 7th Terry Kirby | Pigeon Forge First

Robert Owens | Red Bank First

September 8th - 14th Danny Sutton | Red Bank

David Ayers | Richardson's Cove

September 15th - 21st Kim McCroskey | Roaring Fork

Dan Spencer | FBC Sevierville

September 22nd - 28th Jeremy Gresham | Sevierville 2nd

Corey Cain | Seymour First

scan the code to sign up for text reminders about upcoming meetings



ASSOCIATION CALENDAR

Calendar

- September 2nd Office Closed (Labor Day)
- September 8th-15th Week of Prayer for GOTM
- September 17th Camp Smoky Committee
 6:00pm | Hill Building
- **September 30th** Executive Board 6:30pm | SCBA Office
- October 13th-20th Week of Prayer for Baptist Associations
- October 15th Camp Smoky Committee
 6:00pm | SCBA Office
- October 21st-22nd Annual Meeting (Two Evening Sessions)

Birthdays

- September 5 Edward Ball | Howard's View
- September 10 Dan Spencer | FBC Sevierville
- September 13 Erle Shepard | Kodak Community
- September 13 Jack Huskey | Covemont
- September 15 Danny Sutton | Red Bank
- September 20 Virginia Newman | Sugar Loaf
- September 21 Gayla Coleman | Laurel Grove
- September 22 Jimmy Miller | Dripping Springs
- September 26 Linda Wilson | Faith Fellowship
- September 28 Heather Thacker | Union Valley

Anniversaries

- September 9 Preston & Kathy Joslin | Valley View
- September 18 Chuck & Kimberly Simpson | Williamsburg
- September 24 Rick & Jennifer Loveday | Henderson Chapel
- September 26 Danny & Terrie Sutton | Red Bank



African lions catch about 20% of the prey they chase. Dragonflies catch 95%.



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