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The above story can be used to illustrate life. We may be going through our lives expecting a Red or Golden Delicious apple and at the most unexpected time, life serves us a sour, green apple instead. How do you handle crisis? How do you manage to swallow the sour apples of life? How do you turn tragedies to triumphs? You do it in the same way the grandmother in our illustration did. Make apple pie out of your sour apples. Make lemonade out of your lemons. Use a bad circumstance to create something good, wholesome and profitable for yourself and those around you.

King David, a man after God's own heart, no doubt knew this was true. For there was a time in David's life when he had committed several grievous sins against God and those around him. He had committed adultery, killed an innocent man, and even tried to hide his sins. Yes, David had a whole sack full of green apples but after being confronted by Nathan, God's prophet, David poured his heart out to God in repentance. Psalm 51 records his heartfelt confession of sin.

Verse 13 in the text states, "Then will I teach transgressors thy ways; and sinners shall be converted unto thee." It is in this verse that David turns tragedy into triumph. If God could forgive David for his terrible sins (vv. 1-11), David would teach others of the wonderful grace and mercy of God (v. 13). For if God could forgive David, King of Israel, leader of the people and example to all, God could forgive anyone. Certainly, David made a apple pie out of a sack overflowing with green apples. He used a negative situation to bring about a positive result. And so can we!

When life brings tragedy, look for a way to triumph. When someone gives you a lemon, make lemonade. When everything is gloom and doom, and all you can see is green apples, use those unwanted circumstances of life, like David, to grow and develop as God's child. Learn from your sins. Profit from your trials. Strengthen yourself in life's hurtful blows. For no doubt there will be more green apples just around the tree that we will need to deal with!



MOUNT ZION CHURCH OF CHRIST

- SUNDAY, JUNE 8, 2008 -
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Honored to Serve

A.M. Morning Worship

Announcements-----**Greg Sandidge**
Sub-----Steve Croslin
Song Leader-----**David Eadens**
Sub-----Steve Croslin
Opening Prayer-----**Jerry Stahl**
Sub-----Allen Brian Stewart

Sermon-----**Gary Hays**

Lord's Table

Center-----**Barry Basham**
Sub-----Jerry Stahl
Assist-----**Terry Simpson**
Sub-----Steve Lyons
Assist-----**Jerry Basham**
Sub-----Greg Barrick
Assist-----**Ellis Basham**
Sub-----Ryan Barrick

Closing Prayer-----**Charles Sandidge**
Sub-----Kelly Hudson

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MOUNT ZION WELCOMES YOU

We welcome you to the worship services at Mt. Zion. We are delighted by your presence this Lord's Day. Mt. Zion is a well known congregation in the community looking to grow numerically and spiritually by studying and praising our creator above. We encourage you to visit with us again soon and pray you will make Mt. Zion your church home. The men's restrooms are located in the foyer on the right as you enter the building, and the women's are located in the back of the fellowship hall on the right. There is an unattended nursery in the back of the fellowship hall on the left.

Schedule OF Services

Sunday Morning Bible Study-----10:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship-----11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship-----6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night Bible Study-----7:00 p.m.

Elders

Ellis Basham-----777-3654
David Eadens-----777-3786
Charles Sandidge-----777-1168

Deacons

Greg Barrick
Steve Lyons
Greg Sandidge
Jerry Stahl

Minister

Gary Hays-----846-4283

Prayers Needed

Gary Hays went to the emergency room Wednesday with a stomach virus.

Greg Sandidge was also sick with a stomach virus this past week.

Georgia Eadens will need back surgery in the near future.

Harold Floyd has been in the hospital but is now home and on oxygen.

Ludean Duckett will be having surgery tomorrow in Hendersonville, Tennessee to have both knees replaced.

James Duckett has been in the hospital since Tuesday with a form of light pneumonia. He was expected to return home today.

Remember in Prayer

Dale Bush, Chris Cardwell, Linda Cox, Judy Davenport, Georgia Eadens, Mary Elkin, Gus Elmore, Joe Elmore, Henrietta Embry, Bobby Floyd, Harold Floyd, Yvonne Floyd, Myrna Floyd, Nicole Gowin, Toni Hayes, Imogene Hightower, Donald Huff, Hilton Jones, Sybil Kloviski, Coleman Larsen, Sondra Lyons, Theo Maddox, Cain Martin, Harley Mestas, Hamp Milam, Karen Morrison, Dolores Overton, Iris Rich, Hazel Rucker, Margarett Stahl, Kristy Thompson, Rollie Thompson, Ms. Towe, Anita Turner, B.T. Webb, Gary Whalin, Lana Young.

In the Nursing Homes

Medco – Margarett Stahl, Clifton Hudson
Christian Healthcare Center – Georgia Eadens
Rm. 106

*****AS A REMINDER, WE STILL NEED
TEACHERS FOR OUR UPCOMING
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL.

JUNE ASSIGNMENTS

Building and Lord's Supper Preparation

Jerry & Carolyn Basham

Sunday Morning Teachers

Nursery – Debbie Lyons

Pre-School- Anita Sandidge

1st and 2nd Grade – Marilyn Basham

Intermediate – Ann Stahl

Dates TO Remember

- **TONIGHT** – Ethan Eadens will be here for a presentation – 6:00 p.m.
- **June 15** – Breakfast in the fellowship hall before Sunday Bible Study – 9:30 a.m.
- **June 22** – Fourth Sunday night singing here at Mt. Zion – 6:00 p.m. There will be a men's business meeting following the service.
- **July 13-17** – MT. ZION VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL. 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. nightly

Happy Birthday

Joe Anderson – June 8
Josh Anderson – June 8
Carolyn Basham – June 11
Peachie Loafman – June 12



Happy Anniversary

Steve & Janet Croslin – June 2 (Belated)
Jerry & Carolyn Basham – June 9
Bob & Janet Hardin – June 11

Continue to watch for your birthdays and anniversaries on WBKO during A.M. KY Live and Mid Day Editions (Mon. – Fri.).

Pray For Our Troops

Shaun Hays	Chad Stackpole
Bradley Hines	Todd Stewart
Nick LaMastus	Anthony Wilson
Aaron Lynch	

How to Eat Green Apples

By: Barry Gilreath Jr.



A little boy eagerly raced round and about the apple tree where his grandmother and he were sacking little green apples that had fallen to the ground. He couldn't wait till they were all picked up. His grandmother had promised him a snack as a reward for his help.

As the last apple was placed in the paper bag the young boy reached for the largest green apple he could see, exclaiming, "I choose this for my snack." And before his grandmother could speak, he opened wide his little mouth and bit down. Immediately his faced turned from smiles to frowns. Disappointment over a sour apple was made known by him spitting the fruit across the yard. It was certainly not what he expected!

The grandmother seeing the disappointment in his eyes, cuddled him in her arms and explained that there is a right way and a wrong way to eat green apples. She then led him by the hand inside her kitchen where she placed a hot piece of apple pie before him. The little fellow eagerly ate every bite. "What kind of apples was the pie made of Grandmother?", he asked. "Green apples, of course", she replied. The little boy sat in amazement over how tasty green apples were when used to make apple pie. (Continued on back of bulletin...)

For The Record



May 25

Sunday A.M. Worship – 46

June 1

Sunday A.M. Worship – 64

WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?

Hear: Romans 10:17

Believe: John 3:16

Repent: Acts 17:30

Confess: Romans 10:9-10

Be Baptized: Acts 2:38

Live Faithful: Rev. 2:10