

Today's youth can learn from their elders

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This past Sunday at First Baptist Church, the congregation was blessed with a musical program from the Joy Makers.

The Joy Makers is a senior adult choir from First Baptist Church in Clinton. Their ages range from 60-97, and each one of them put their best effort and strength into what they were singing. For me, now a senior adult myself, it was a tremendous program. It brought back reminiscent memories of yesteryear with the older songs and medleys they presented. It was a choir loft full. I counted 51 in total.

I am very privileged and blessed to have the opportunity of working with our senior adults at FBC in Yazoo City. Like the group from Clinton, our seniors are very energetic and put their best foot forward in every situation. They speak up; then they stand up and put their words into action.

The wisdom and knowledge that this group exudes is phenomenal. Their love for their fellow man, their country, their church, and each other is second to none. Their life experiences cannot be duplicated. Their hard work of years past has created a being that is well versed in discipline, high morals, love, courage, and strength.

Today's society and all of its modern technology thinks the seniors could be a people of the past. They are a people of the past but very well versed in life situations, and today's younger generation should take note and listen to them.

A friend of mine relayed a story to me that pretty well sums up what a senior citizen is. Keep in mind we are NOT the ones that took the pride out of appearance, the courtesy out of driving, the romance out of love, the commitment out of marriage, the responsibility out of parenthood, the togetherness out of the family, the learning out of education, the service out of patriotism, the Golden Rule from rulers, the nativity scene out of cities, the civility out of behavior, the refinement out of language, the clear judgments from judges, the dedication out of employment, the prudence out of spending, the common sense out of Washington, the ambition out of achievement or God out of government and school.

Some of the most valued assets and prize possessions anyone can ever have is the wisdom and knowledge that only a senior citizen can give.

Last Sunday was a tremendous blessing to see members of our greatest generation display their love and song for the Lord and for their country.

What a great country we live in. However, if we allow our seniors to quietly pass on and not adhere to their actions or listen to their advice, then we are all going to wonder what happened to America!

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