# **Prayer List**

Linda Balthrop, Linda Brackett, Debbie Caldwell, Rashay Driscoll, Veronica Dupree, Lily Griswold, Jake Hanna, Cory Hillman, John Johnson, Ashley Keever, Brenda Levister, Juan Mandujano, Mary Lynn McAleer, Jay Montgomery, Tony Priola, Tim Smith, Lisa Sollars mother, Chris Stout

· Lily Griswold (David's neice) is doing some better. She has gained 4 ounces.

## The Numbers

| Attendance    | Sunday, August 30    | 28/28/28 |  |  |
|---------------|----------------------|----------|--|--|
|               | Wednesday, September |          |  |  |
| Offering      | Sunday, August 30    | \$857.26 |  |  |
| Those Serving |                      |          |  |  |

Prayer Before Sunday Classes **Barry Simmons** 

**Morning Worship** 

Announcements & First Prayer Charles Hatcher Songs Jay Caldwell Sermon Keith Keever David Snyder Lords Supper & Contribution Levy Cox/Donald Shipley Assisting Closing Prayer James Hutton

**Afternoon Worship** 

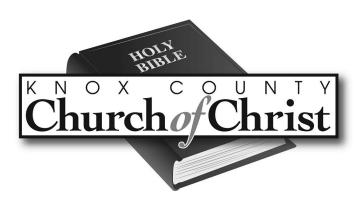
First Prayer Lance Green Songs David Snyder **Brian Carver** Sermon Lord's Supper Jay Caldwell Closing Prayer **Tommy Sanders** 

**Wednesday Night** 

Songs Lance Green First Prayer **Tommy Sanders** Devotional **Barry Simmons** Charles Hatcher Closing Prayer

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## September 6, 2009



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## **Meeting Location:**

130 Mabry Hood Road Suite 102 Knoxville, TN 37922 865.247.4620

## **Schedule of Services**

#### **Sunday**

| Bible Study | 9:30 AM           |
|-------------|-------------------|
| Worship     | 10:30AM & 1:30 PM |

#### Wednesday

| Bible Study7:00 PN | Bible Study | 7:00 | PM |
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# From The Preacher's Pen PROVE YOUR OWN SELVES

(2 Corinthians 13:5)

[The following is an excerpt from an article entitled, "Are You A Disciple Under-Developed (D.U.D.)?." It is written by brother Gary Summers, preacher for the South Seminole Church of Christ in Winter Park, FL.]

- 1. True False. "I care more about what a congregation has to offer me and my family than what all of us can bring to the church." If you honestly answered true, have you ever thought that, perhaps, your attitude leans toward selfishness? The church consists of members who are people just like you. If everyone had the attitude that you have, there would be no programs of any kind because everybody would be waiting for someone else to do something. The only way anything gets done is through volunteers who have a commitment to their Lord and to the well-being of the local congregation. By working together we function as the body of Christ should (1 Cor. 12:12-27).
- 2. True False. "If there are not any children that are my children's age, I will try to find a larger congregation." If everyone had the same attitude, wouldn't that pretty much insure that small congregations would remain small and large congregations would stay large? Have you ever thought that if you stayed with your family, the next family who came would be more likely to stay since your children were there? If no one takes the first step to build up the youth population, how will it ever happen? Have you not thought of the idea that you could work to bring other young people who know your children? Your family could be a catalyst rather than a disappointment.
- 3. True False. "I make encouraging comments to others to help build them up and

keep my negative comments to myself." If that is false, you are not helping. It is not that there is no need for constructive criticism. Taking people aside to vent your complaints does not contribute to the esprit de corps of the congregation, and it makes you look bad. "I didn't like the song leading today," "the prayer was too long," or "the sermons just don't move me" may indicate that the crux of the problem is with you—not those leading in worship. Have you thought about making a positive suggestion to any of the leaders instead of whispering behind their backs?

- 4. True False. "People in the congregation don't pay enough attention to me." If you answered true, why is that, do you suppose? How often have you made an encouraging phone call to other brethren? Have you prepared food for others when they were ill or visited them in the hospital? Have you offered to mow someone's lawn while he was recovering from a sprained ankle or broken leg? Have you asked yourself why you expect to receive kindness if you have never shown any (Pro. 18:24)?
- 5. True False. "I am more of a positive influence than a problem." If you can be depended upon each week to be present for worship and to participate in the various activities of the congregation (unless illness prevents you), may your tribe increase. If it is false, shouldn't you determine to do better? People should not have to leave worship each week wondering where brother absent and sister sluggish are. Elders must give account for the souls of the members. Do you make it easy or difficult for them (Heb. 13:17)? If they were discussing your absence, would they be saying, "We'd better call him immediately; he never misses worship" or "That's the third absence this month; what else is new?" Are you an asset or a liability?

- Gary Summers

# **Gospel Meeting**

We will have a one day Gospel Meeting with Kent Bailey on October 11th.

Invitations have been printed. Be sure to take some with you to hand out or mail to your friends, family, co-workers, and neighbors.

### **Announcements**

- The Men's Meeting originally scheduled for Monday night has been moved to Tuesday night at 7:00 PM.
- Brad and April are out of town visiting family. In Brad's absence, Keith Keever and Brian Carver will be preaching.

**Map To Our Location** 

