# **Prayer List**

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

- Ashleigh Green has had strep throat this week
- Jay Caldwell has been fighting a cold.
- Linda Sanders has not feeling well.

### **Announcements**

The ladies will be meeting at the building for Bible study next Saturday, September 19 at 10:00 AM. All ladies welcome. Invite your friends, neighbors, co-workers, etc.

### The Numbers

	<b>Those Serving</b>	
Offering	Sunday, Sept. 6	\$1178.00
Attendance	Sunday, Sept. 6 Wednesday, Sept. 9	31/31/29 25
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Prayer Before Sunday Classes Brian Carver

**Morning Worship** 

Announcements & First Prayer Tommy Sanders
Songs Keith Keever
Sermon Brad Green
Lords Supper & Contribution Brian Carver
Assisting Levy Cox/Donald Shipley
Closing Prayer David Snyder

**Afternoon Worship** 

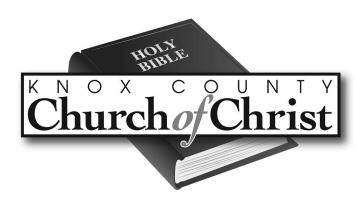
First Prayer	Charles Hatcher
Songs	Jay Caldwell
Sermon	Brad Green
Lord's Supper	James Hutton
Closing Prayer	Lance Green

**Wednesday Night** 

Songs James Hutton
First Prayer Lance Green
Devotional Keith Keever
Closing Prayer Barry Simmons

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# **September 13, 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 Study	7:00	PM
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## From The Preacher's Pen "YOUR FAITH TO GOD-WARD IS SPREAD ABROAD"

The Knox County Church of Christ has begun her 3<sup>rd</sup> year promoting the Gospel of Christ in Knoxville, TN. From the beginning, this congregation has sought only to practice and teach that which is authorized by God in the New Testament (Col. 3:17), worship God as He commands (John 4:24), and to do good unto all men (Gal. 6:10). For the past two years, this simple equation has led to many blessings. We have seen an addition of souls to the Kingdom of Christ and we have welcomed into fellowship a brother and sister in Christ who were of "the same mind and in the same judgment" (1 Cor. 1:10). Many visitors, with whom we remain in contact, have been introduced to the soul-saving Gospel (Rom.1:16-17). An abundance of correspondence has resulted due to our newspaper ad, "Bible Answers For Bible Questions," which runs every other Wednesday in the Community Section of the Knoxville News Sentinel. Souls who may have never heard or read the truth about salvation have been pricked to ask questions and seek answers. All of this was done, not by a flashy event or with a large budget, but by a small congregation of God's people in Knoxville, TN.

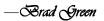
As encouraging as these things are, perhaps it is the deep respect and appreciation expressed by one of our visitors this past year that should fuel our desire to keep fighting "the good fight of Faith (1 Tim. 6:12). It is the first impression made upon an individual visiting with us as he was traveling through Knoxville to reach his destination. Sadly, some Christians and congregations believe that the first impression should be made with glitz and glamour, high ceilings and chandeliers, and programs galore to suit the fancy of just about every imagination. However, from just one visit to our humble, yet comfortable, meeting place,

this individual was able to make certain conclusions about the "work of faith, and labour of love, and patience of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ" (1 The. 1:3) exhibited by the Knox County Church of Christ.

First, he noted that the attendance for our Sunday morning Bible study at 9:30 AM is basically the same as our worship assembly at 10:30 AM. This speaks volumes. It shows that our members are concerned and serious about growing "in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ" (2 Pet. 3:18). Many congregations find attendance for their Bible study to be an area of need. Recently, I read a congregation's attendance numbers recorded in their bulletin. Though they had 130 present for worship, only about 70 attended their Bible classes. Second on the list was hospitality. The visitor stated that every member present, including children, introduced themselves to him and made him feel welcome. This should be music to our I have heard of individuals visiting ears. congregations who could not wait to leave, but this man was made to feel right at home. This also is a testament to the parents, who have taught and are continuing to train their children well. Some of our children are too young to introduce themselves alone, so the only logical conclusion is that parents were assisting (training) their children in this effort. The third compliment was regarding participation during our Sunday morning Bible study. This brother in Christ declared that it was the best and, perhaps, most edifying Bible class participation that he had ever witnessed. The Knox County congregation started with, what I consider to be, the "cream of the crop." Faithful members who love God and had already been forced to make a stand for truth and against error. Now, as in the past, by simply asking questions and seeking answers, your desire to strengthen your faith left a big and memorable imprint.

Let us continue our "work of faith, and

labour of love," and always be consistent, knowing that our actions do indeed follow and precede us. Let us be encouraged by that which we have accomplished and work diligently to be faithful to God and bring more lost souls to Christ. Let us be thankful for the opportunity to let our light so shine before men (Mat. 5:16) as to give glory to God, "for from you sounded out the word of the Lord not only in" Knoxville, TN, "but also in every place your faith to God-ward is spread abroad" (1 The. 1:8).



# **Gospel Meeting**

We will have a one day Gospel Meeting with Kent Bailey on October 11th. Be sure to take invitations to hand out to as many people as possible. We will be having a sandwich and finger foods lunch between services.

**Map To Our Location** 

