# **Prayer List**

Diane Capps, Kenny Even, Doris Reyes Fernandez, Marc Genua, Ashleigh Green, Ella Green, Alice Hall, Kim Johnson, Norman Lee, Mary Lynn McAleer, Tony Priola, Chris Ragle, Norma Ragle, Ronald Russell, Tim Smith, Sheila Sollars, Jim and Carole Turk, Louise Walker, Abby Yarlequé.

- Philip Hutton (James' father) will be having a bladder biopsy later in the month.
- Louise Walker (James & Lisa's neighbor) broke a leg bone on Friday.

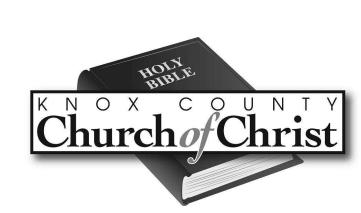
### Announcements

We may be without power this morning due to electrical upgrades being done to the facility.

### **The Numbers**

Attendance	Sunday, March 6	
Offering	Wednesday, Mar Sunday, March 6	
Those Serving		
Prayer Before	e Sunday Classes	Lance Green
Sunday Morning Worship		
Announceme	nts & Prayer	David Snyder
Songs	•	Keith Keever
Sermon		Brad Green
Lord's Supper & Contribution Charles Hatcher		
Assistants Levy Cox and Donald Shipley		
Closing Praye	er	Tommy Sanders
Sunday Afternoon Worship		
First Prayer	-	James Hutton
Songs		David Snyder
Sermon		Brad Green
Lord's Suppe	r	Tommy Sanders
Closing Praye	er	Donald Shipley
Wednesday Night		
Songs		James Hutton
First Prayer		Lance Green
Devotional		Tommy Sanders
Closing Praye	er	Charles Hatcher

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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

# *From The Preacher's Pen* "TO WHOM SHALL WE GO?"

Everyone, at some point in life, has experienced a feeling of loneliness. Though, at times, everybody needs a little "alone-time," no one wants to feel "alone." Such a feeling can lead to apathy, lethargy, and a deep sadness. In everyone's life, there is a moment in which there is a feeling that everything is going wrong and questions arise: "Which way do I turn;" "To whom shall I go?."

Jesus knows the feeling of abandonment. When He went to the garden of Gethsemane to pray, Jesus took Peter, James, and John with Him. After praying, He came back to His disciples and found them sleeping (Mat. 26:37-44). That same night, Judas, one of the original twelve disciples, betrayed Jesus into the hands of the Roman authorities. Once Jesus was in Roman custody, "all the disciples forsook Him, and fled" (Mat. 26:56) and before the night was over, Peter, another of Jesus' original twelve, denied the Christ three different times (Mat. 26:75). This was not the first time Jesus had been left "alone." After preaching in Capernaum, "Jesus knew in Himself that His disciples murmured at it, He said unto them, Doth this offend you? From that time many of His disciples went back, and walked no more with Him" (John 6:61, 66). Sadly, men are still abandoning the sinless Son of God (Gal. 5:4; Heb. 10:24-26; 2 Pet. 2:1-3). The Bible informs us that there are those who "have forsaken the right way, and are gone astray...who loved the wages of unrighteousness" (2 Pet. 2:15) and those who "have escaped the pollutions of the world through the knowledge of the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, they are again entangled therein, and overcome" (2 Pet. 2:20).

After many of the Lord's disciples left Him, Jesus turned to the twelve and asked, "will ye also go away? Then Simon Peter answered Him, Lord, to whom shall we go? Thou hast the words of eternal life. And we believe and are sure that Thou art that Christ, the Son of the living God" John 6:67-69). Jesus was sinless, and not in need of salvation (Heb. 4:15), but when He needed comfort, there was only one place for Him to turn – to God, the Father (Mat. 26:39). He could not turn to His disciples, family, or friends, for none could offer what He needed. Though flawed, as all humans are, Peter understood this principle by rhetorically asking Jesus, "to whom shall we go?." Peter knew that he could not entrust his soul (and the salvation of it) to any mortal: friend, family, or even another follower of Christ. The evidence verifies that man cannot afford to relinquish his most precious possession (i.e., his soul) to another man (c.f., Acts 5:29). There is only One who knows what it is like to be tempted yet have no sin, "neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved" (Acts 4:12) – Jesus.

There is no need to feel alone as long as we have the Word of Christ nearby. When we obey God's Word, allowing it to permeate our souls and abide in us, we have the Christ with us for, "he that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son" (2 John 9). We abide in God and His Christ by obedience to God's commands (1 John 3:24). Let us seek the solace and fellowship in Christ that can only be enjoyed through obedience to His Word.



### Welcome Visitors

We're happy to have you with us today. Please feel free to ask us any questions you may have. Please stick around after services so that we can get to know you better.

# The Gospel Plan of Salvation

- HEAR the word of God; the Bible (Romans 10:17)
- BELIEVE the word of God and that Jesus is Lord (John 8:24; Hebrews 11:6)
- REPENT of sin (Acts 17:30)
- CONFESS that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God (Matthew 10:32-33)
- BE BAPTIZED in order to receive remission of sins (Acts 2:38); in order to have past sins washed away (Acts 22:16); in order to get into the body of Christ, the church (Romans 6:3-4; Acts 2:47); in order to be saved (Mark 16:15-16; 1 Peter 3:21)
- LIVE FAITHFULLY in accordance with God's word (1 John 1:6-9; Revelation 2:10)

# **Our Location**

We meet in Suite 102 of Four Seasons Village, at 130 Mabry Hood Road in Knoxville, TN. Coming from Kingston Pike, we are on the right just past Chili's. Come and visit with us!

