## **Prayer List**

Thomy Brewster, Doris Reyes Fernandez, Donna Fowler, Marc Genua, Eleanor Green, Mike Grigg, Gordon Hatcher, Juan Mandujano, Mary Lynn McAleer, Larry McCollum, Betty Miller, sister Orasco (Peru), Early Phillips, Chris Ragle, Norma Ragle, Barry Simmons, Tim Smith, Dolores Snyder, Sheila Sollars, Jana Ward

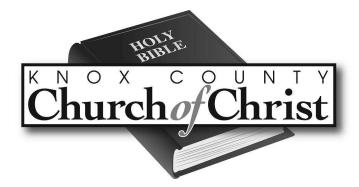
• Donna Fowler was recently injured in a car accident and is currently homebound.

## **The Numbers**

Attendance	Sunday, Novem Wednesday, Nov	
Offering	Sunday, Novem	ber 10 \$885.00
Those Serving		
	Sunday Classes	
Sunday Morning Worship		
Announcements & Prayer		Charles Hatcher
Songs	-	David Snyder
Sermon		Brad Green
Lord's Supper & Contribution		Kevin Felker
Assistant		Levy Cox
Closing Prayer		Barry Simmons
Sunday Afternoon Worship		
First Prayer	·	Terry Hurst
Songs		Keith Keever
Sermon		Brad Green
Lord's Suppe	r	Kevin Felker
Closing Praye	er	Charles Hatcher
Wednesday Night		
Songs	· C	David Snyder
First Prayer		Barry Simmons
Devotional		Keith Keever
Closing Praye	er	Tommy Sanders

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#### **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 JESUS' BLOOD KEEPS ON CLEANSING

[The following article is written by brother Dub McClish and appeared in the November 10, 2008 issue of the Beacon, a publication of the Bellview Church of Christ.]

Many years ago, when I was a very young preacher, I believed that unless one specifically named every sin he committed and specifically asked forgiveness of each one, as he became aware of such sins, God would not forgive them. Eventually, I came to see that this was an untenable (and unscriptural) position for more than one reason:

1. One would have to be omniscient to even know all of the sins he commits. Surely, we all sin without even knowing we sin, and we likely do so every day.

2. On numerous occasions, faithful saints have died without warning, having no time to reflect upon or ask for forgiveness of a sin or of sins they may have very recently committed, even if they are conscious of having committed them.

3. My former understanding of this matter would make it practically impossible for the most godly person on earth to be saved.

4. The Bible teaches that, as long as we constantly "walk in the light" (i.e., live our lives devoted to God and in obedience to His Word to the best of our abilities) the blood of Christ constantly "cleanseth us from all sin" (1 John 1:7; cf. Rom. 8:1—KVJ). The present tense form of *cleanse* in the Greek language demands this understanding.

Note that this cleansing is conditioned upon the definite and unvarying dedication (not sinlessness) of our lives to the Christ and His

Truth. Note also that the resultant continual cleansing covers "**all** our sin"—even those sins of which we might not be conscious and those for which we might not have an opportunity to ask specific forgiveness. Surely, this wonderful and comforting promise is an expression of the wonderful grace of God, apart from which none of us who are saved at last will be saved.

My change of convictions on this subject several decades ago does not mean that I am now indifferent to temptation or careless about sin and its consequences. Nor does it mean that I have in any way abandoned the Bible's teaching concerning the need to confess my sins as I become aware of them and, if they are against a person, to the respective party against whom I have sinned (1 John 1:9, et al.).

Let us, as God's children, "walk in the light" as fully as humanly possible, knowing that, at our best, we will sometimes fail to do so and thereby sin. To deny this fact means that we have lied and that we have implied that God is a liar (v. 10). Let us also, however, enjoy the comfort and hope the Scriptures afford in the assurance that, by continuing to live in harmony with the will of God ("walking in the light") as much as it is possible for dedicated saints to do, the blood of Christ will keep on cleansing us of sin and thus keep us ready (and able) to enter the heavenly portals at last. This principle, I have long been convinced, the Bible teaches.

-- Tub McClish

## Welcome Visitors

We're glad you are with us today. Feel free to ask us any questions you may have. We look forward to getting 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!

