

## Prayer List

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Thomy Brewster, Doris Reyes Fernandez, Donna Fowler, Marc Genua, Anna Bell Green, Eleanor Green, Gordon Hatcher, Mimi Headrick, Mary Lynn McAleer, Juan Mandujano, Larry McCollum, Betty Miller, Magaly Orozco, Early Phillips, Chris Ragle, Norma Ragle, Ronald Russell, Tim Smith, Dolores Snyder, Jana Ward

- Rick Burris (Charles' cousin) had a heart attack last Sunday. He is home after having a stent placed.
- Paige Lackey (Amanda's cousin) will have surgery tomorrow to remove a softball sized mass.
- Michelle Grimm (friend of Patty's) is in rehab at NHC after knee replacement.

## Announcements

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The next Men's Meeting will be tomorrow evening at 7PM.

## The Numbers

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Attendance	Sunday, February 2	14/14/17
	Wednesday, February 5	18
Offering	Sunday, February 2	

## Those Serving

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Prayer Before Sunday Classes Barry Simmons

### Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements & Prayer	David Snyder
Songs	Keith Keever
Sermon	Brad Green
Lord's Supper & Contribution	Charles Hatcher
Assistant	Levy Cox
Closing Prayer	Tommy Sanders

### Sunday Afternoon Worship

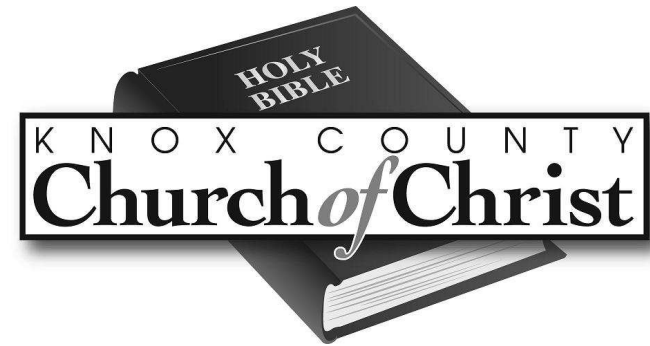
First Prayer	Terry Hurst
Songs	Kevin Felker
Sermon	Brad Green
Lord's Supper	Charles Hatcher
Closing Prayer	Keith Keever

### Wednesday Night

Songs	David Snyder
First Prayer	Terry Hurst
Devotional	Kevin Felker
Closing Prayer	Tommy Sanders

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130 Mabry Hood Road  
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## Schedule of Services

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### Sunday

Bible Study.....9:30 AM  
Worship.....10:30AM & 1:30 PM

### Wednesday

Bible Study.....7:00 PM



## From The Preacher's Pen

### "BIBLICAL BAPTISM #3"

[The following article is written by brother Dub McClish and was published in Denton Record-Chronicle, Denton, Texas, October 12, 2007.]

"Will there be anyone in Heaven who has not been baptized?" When one stresses the New Testament's clear teaching on baptism, a question similar to this often arises. This question does not concern infants or those who are mentally incompetent. Rather, it relates to those who have sufficient mental faculties to make them accountable and responsible beings before God. Will there be any such in Heaven who were not baptized? While such questions often seem to be designed more to appeal to emotions than to seek and accept the Truth, they nonetheless deserve a Biblical answer.

This question has two correct answers. The first correct answer is, "Yes, there will be many, many people in Heaven who were never baptized." The Bible even calls many of them by name. Jesus said: "And I say unto you, that many shall come from the east and the west and shall sit down with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, in the kingdom of heaven" (Mat. 8:11). *Kingdom of heaven* in Matthew usually refers to the church (Mat. 3:2; 4:17; 10:7; 16:18-19, 28; et al.), but in this statement it obviously refers to the eternal Heaven. Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob never heard of baptism, but Jesus said they will be in Heaven. Hebrews 11 records a long list of great heroes and heroines of the faith. Starting just outside the

Garden of Eden with Abel, the writer names many Old Testament saints to the time of the prophets, finally saying that time failed him to list others (v. 32). The writer affirms that each one lived "by faith." The implication is unmistakable that each one named will be in Heaven at last, but none of them ever heard of baptism. The Bible contains numerous other illustrations of the same fact. So, yes, there will be many people in Heaven who were never baptized.

However, all of these had in common the following: **They all lived before Christ died on the cross.** Baptism was not a part of the Patriarchal or Mosaic law systems, under one or the other of which every person lived before Calvary. Salvation under those systems required faith in and obedience to God, along with animal sacrifices. However, the blood of bulls and goats could not remove sin (Heb. 10:4). That blood was typical of the sacrifice of Jesus' perfect blood. Thus, the cleansing power of His blood "flowed backward" to redeem those Patriarchs and Jews who had been faithful to God in their respective law systems (Gal. 4:4-5; Heb. 9:15). We should not think this any more unusual than that Jesus' blood "flows forward" to cleanse us of sin today. We will discuss the second correct answer to the question subsequently.

--Dub McClish

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### Welcome Visitors

Thank you for visiting with us today. If you have any questions about anything said or done during our worship service, please feel free to ask. Also, please take a moment to fill out one of our visitor's information cards and 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!

