

Prayer List

- Robert Barrett, Ann Brinkley, Kenny Davis, Alicia Farrar, Brenda Hatcher, Diane Hutton, L. G. Russell, Chris Stout, and Chela's niece, Shyllenne
- Joann Passons is still in the hospital, at Fort Sanders Regional.
- Harrell Davidson, of Obion, TN, is home after major surgery and is expected to fully recover by February.
- Earthquake recovery efforts continue in Ica, Peru, and in northern Chile. November quakes near the Peru/Ecuador border, though in remote areas, were quite powerful.

Announcements

- We now have a name for our congregation; Knox County church of Christ
- Ladies' party Tuesday, Dec. 11, at the home of Barry and Sandra Simmons

December 9, 2007



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We are now meeting in the lower level
of the Farragut Chapel of
Click Funeral Home:
11915 Kingston Pike
Farragut, Tennessee 37934

Schedule of Services

Sunday

Bible Study 9:30 a.m.
Worship. 10:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m.

Wednesday

Bible Study 7:00 p.m.



From the Preacher's Pen

Preachers Need To Hear Preaching, Too

I have been extremely blessed over the past several years to have the opportunity to prepare and preach sermons from God's Word. Perhaps even more edifying has been the opportunity to hear sound gospel preaching as well. Since the time this new congregation began assembling together, I have truly enjoyed listening to the best Wednesday night devotions that I have ever heard. I cherish each opportunity to listen to and apply the Biblical principles to my life as expressed by those who present the devotions. This time of devotion is important to my growth as a Christian and a young preacher. Though I grow daily through my own Bible studies as I prepare to present two sermons each Sunday and a Bible Class on Wednesday, it is from the lessons and sermons presented by others that reach the deepest depths of my heart where perhaps my own personal studies have fallen a bit short. We've all heard statements and reflected, "I've never thought of that before." Thus, it makes sense that the experiences and studies of another can fill in the gaps that exist in our own.

Perhaps, one of the biggest problems among preachers in our brotherhood may be that they preach too much and listen too little. Some men, contented by the fact that they've been preaching for 30-40 years, have become "at ease in Zion" (Amos 6:1). They are at ease because they think they know all they need to know. This being the case, they do not consider themselves to be in need of sound, gospel preaching. Many preachers, for many years, have only heard what they, themselves have

preached. These men have found the preacher they want to hear and are content to stick with him. These men do not have a preacher to "step on their toes" and if one try to correct them, they immediately dismiss such as wrong because it is not what they hear (or want to hear) from the pulpit on Sundays. Such preachers have allowed themselves to become their own standard of right and wrong. Because they have not heard anything in the pulpit adverse to what they preach (since they are the ones preaching), they are convinced that they are faithful and anything contrary to that assessment is disregarded.

Let us never be so enthralled with ourselves and the knowledge we possess that we forget *Who* it is we are to please (Acts 5:29) and by *What* it is that determines right and wrong (Psalm 119:128; John 8:31-32; 12:48; 17:17). "The statutes of the LORD are right" (Psalm 19:8); "the ways of the LORD are right, and the just shall walk in them" (Hosea 14:9). We must place ourselves in front of the mirror that is God's Word and do whatever necessary to ensure that our lives are reflective of what God teaches (James 1:22-25). As preachers and teachers, let us acknowledge our dependence upon *hearing* the Word of God that we may continue to grow in the Faith (Romans 10:17; 2 Peter 3:18). We must put ourselves to the test to make certain that we are living in harmony with God's Will. "Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves" (2 Corinthians 13:5).

— Brad Green

Those Serving

Bible Class Teachers:

Adult Sunday:	Barry Simmons
Adult Wednesday:	Brad Green
7-8 Years Old	Tresa Snyder
2-5 Years Old Sunday:	Amanda Hatcher
2-5 Years Old Wednesday:	April Green
Under 2 Years Old:	Ashleigh Green

Morning Worship Assignments:

Announcements & Opening Prayer	Brian Carver
Songs	Keith Keever
Sermon	Brad Green
Lord's Supper & Contribution	David Snyder
Closing Prayer	Lance Green

Afternoon Worship Assignments:

Opening Prayer	Barry Simmons
Songs	Jay Caldwell
Sermon	Brad Green
Lord's Supper	Charles Hatcher
Closing Prayer	Brian Carver

Wednesday Worship Assignments:

Songs	Lance Green
Opening Prayer	David Snyder
Devotional	Jay Caldwell
Closing Prayer	Keith Keever

Attendance & Offering:

Offering Dec. 2	\$718.76
Attend. Dec. 2	24/24/23
Attendance Wed., Dec. 5	24

"Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock"

—Matthew 7:24