

## Prayer List

Ann Brinkley, Debbie Caldwell, Barbara Jean Davis, Kenny Davis, Dana Hale, Diane Hutton, Juan Mandujano, Joann Passons, Bobbie Phillips, L G Russell, Chris Stout, Jo Vineyard, Chela's niece Shyllenne, Jerry Perkins, Robert Roush and family, David Snyder, Barbara Greeson, Tim Smith, Verne Ragle, Lea Ousley

- Amanda's grandfather, L G Russell, is home now after having another heart attack this past week.
- Ronald Carrigg, member of the West Newton Church of Christ, and friend of Brad and April, is enduring some difficult trials

## Thank You

To our Christian family,

Thank you so much for the beautiful flowers sent to Meme's funeral. Thank you for all the food, prayers, and words of encouragement, not only now, but during past hospitalizations. Thanks to all those who have offered and who have helped with the children when we needed helping hands. Please continue to keep us in your prayers. Thank you for being the true example of the church and friends that we read about in God's Word. We love you all with all of our hearts.

— Brian, Dede, Matthew, Rebecca, Daniel, and Joshua

## Announcements

- Our Gospel Meeting with Virgil Hale begins May 4th and runs through the 7th. Monday through Wednesday services will be at 7pm. There are flyers available to hand out or mail to friends, neighbors, co-workers, etc.

## The Numbers

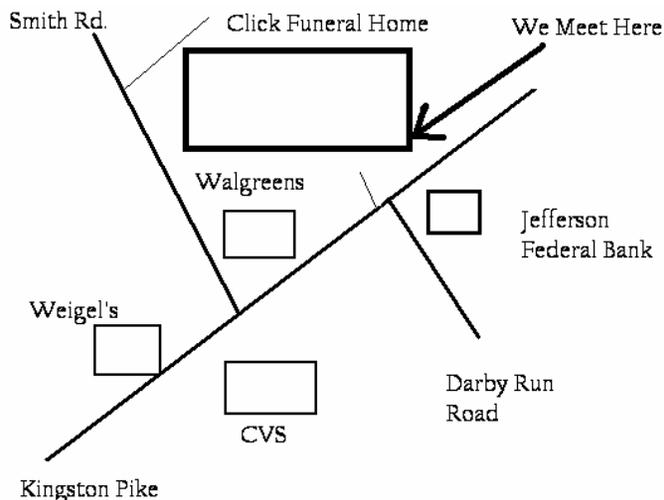
Attendance	Sunday, April 20	27/27/27
	Wednesday, April 23	24
Offering	Sunday, April 20	\$837.00

## Those Serving

Prayer Before Sunday Classes	David Snyder
<b>Morning Worship</b>	
Announcements & First Prayer	Charles Hatcher
Songs	David Snyder
Sermon	Brad Green
Lords Supper & Contribution	Brian Carver
Assisting	Lance Green
Closing Prayer	Jay Caldwell
<b>Afternoon Worship</b>	
First Prayer	David Snyder
Songs	Jay Caldwell
Sermon	Brad Green
Lord's Supper	Barry Simmons
Closing Prayer	Brian Carver
<b>Wednesday Devotional</b>	
Songs	Keith Keever
First Prayer	Barry Simmons
Devotional	Charles Hatcher
Closing Prayer	James Hutton

## Location

We meet in the lower level of Click Funeral Home in Farragut, which is located next to Walgreens at the intersection of Kingston Pike and Smith Road, and directly across from Jefferson Federal Bank.



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Lower Level —  
Click Funeral Home Farragut Chapel  
11915 Kingston Pike  
Farragut, TN 37934

## 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*

### WHY HAVE A GOSPEL MEETING?

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Next Sunday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, the Knox County Church of Christ will host its first Gospel Meeting. God has blessed this new congregation because faithful men and women have purposed in their hearts to submit their lives wholly to God's Divine Will. God will continue to bless this work, and all involved, as long as we remain obedient to His Word and fulfill our Christian responsibilities. With our Gospel Meeting just a week away, a great opportunity lay right ahead of us to:

#### 1. REDEEM THE TIME

There is no better way to spend our time than by studying the Bible and evangelizing in our community. "See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, Redeeming the time, because the days are evil" (Eph. 5:15-16). The majority of information spread and garnered throughout a normal week is trash. The word, "redeem", means to buy back or to rescue from loss. What better way to redeem or rescue time that would otherwise be lost than to share the Truth with those around us? While many are using their time to raise millions of dollars for TV time and pet projects, small congregations of faithful Christians are simply sharing God's Word to those who are lost and being good stewards of the finances which God has blessed them to use towards teaching, edifying, and being benevolent in their local communities. A Gospel Meeting is a good way to redeem the time.

#### 2. OFFER THE TRUTH TO THE LOST

We should be ever cognizant of the example given to us by Jesus, the Christ, in re-

gards to preaching. "For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost" (Luke 19:10). Jesus commissioned His followers to go "and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you" (Mat. 28:19-20). Sadly, the religious world has been inundated with seminars, conferences, and special social gatherings which offer nothing more than fun and games and a bit of secular education. Many have turned to such worldly gimmicks because they, themselves, have failed to grow in the Faith and do not have the knowledge to teach others. Though their consciences are soothed by the number of attendees, they have done more harm than good to their visitors and their children who are starving to death because they are not receiving the "sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby" (1 Pet. 2:2). The lost need the Gospel of Christ, for without it, they cannot be saved (Rom. 1:16-17). A Gospel Meeting is a good way to offer the Truth to those who are lost.

#### 3. EDIFY ONE ANOTHER

Though entertainment is not an authorized work of the Church, God does want His children to be uplifted in a Scriptural manner. The inspired writer of Hebrews states that Christians can exhort one another simply by being present (Heb. 10:25). Conversely, "forsaking the assembling of ourselves together" may leave individuals feeling empty. The inspired Apostle Paul implores that the preaching of the Truth results in "edification, and exhortation, and comfort" (1 Cor. 14:3). When the brethren in Thessalonica were deeply sorrowed

because of a misunderstanding in regards to death and the resurrection, Paul gave them the Truth of God's Word, whereby they could "comfort one another" (1 The. 4:18). A Gospel Meeting is a good way to edify one another.

#### 4. RESIST THE DEVIL

When Jesus was tempted by the Devil, He resisted the attacks by quoting Scripture (Mat. 4:4, 7, 10). The inspired James teaches that we can "resist the devil" by submitting our lives to God and drawing closer to God by getting our lives spiritually clean (Jam. 4:7-8). Our Gospel Meeting offers both an opportunity to study the Scripture and to draw nigh to God. Many congregations have become "lukewarm" (Rev. 3:16), boasting of good works while they are actually withering away on the vine. Instead of drawing closer to Christ, through obedience, they have placed a clamp of worldliness between themselves and the life giving nutrients of the vine (John 15:1-10). A Gospel Meeting is a good way to resist the devil and keep lukewarmness from creeping into a congregation.

Let us pray for the success of our upcoming Gospel Meeting and work hard to make it so. Placing this good work of God in the forefront of our minds and doing the accompanying work necessary will make our Heavenly Father pleased. Success, in the Spiritual sense, is guaranteed if we redeem the time, preach the Truth to the lost, edify one another, and resist the devil.

- *Brad Green*