

## Prayer List

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Doris Reyes Fernandez, Ashleigh Green, Ella Green, Alice Hall, Gordon Hatcher, Norman Lee, Luis Patiño, Tony Priola, Tim Smith, Sheila Sollars, Jim and Carole Turk, Abby Yarlequé.

- Please keep the family of Lance Even (friends of James Hutton) in your prayers. They were in a car accident late Wednesday night, and their son, Kenny, is still in the hospital.
- Anna Burris (Charles Hatcher's aunt) has an infection after having knee replacement surgery.

## Announcements

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There will be a budget report presented to the congregation after our 1:30 PM service. Please plan to stay.

## The Numbers

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Attendance	Sunday, October 10	34/36/35
	Wednesday, October 13	28
Offering	Sunday, October 10	\$871.50

## Those Serving

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Prayer Before Sunday Classes Barry Simmons

### Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements & Prayer Tommy Sanders  
Songs David Snyder  
Sermon Brad Green  
Lord's Supper & Contribution James Hutton  
Assistants Donald Shipley & Levy Cox  
Closing Prayer Charles Hatcher

### Sunday Afternoon Worship

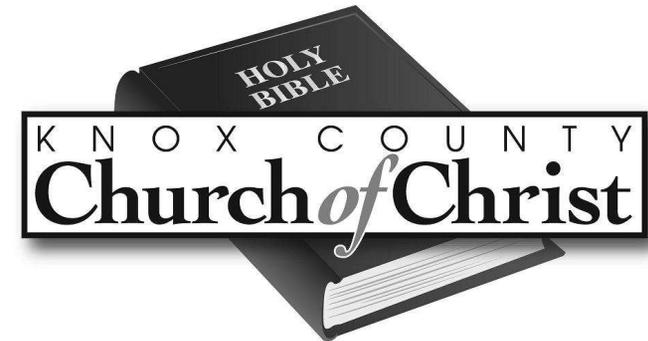
First Prayer Tommy Sanders  
Songs Keith Keever  
Sermon Brad Green  
Lord's Supper Lance Green  
Closing Prayer James Hutton

### Wednesday Night

Songs Lance Green  
First Prayer Barry Simmons  
Devotional David Snyder  
Closing Prayer Keith Keever

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**October 17, 2010**



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**Meeting Location:**  
130 Mabry Hood Road  
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Knoxville, TN 37922  
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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***

### **"UNASSUMING"**

There is very little recorded about the life of Dorcas. Her purpose in life was not to leave behind "a legacy" that could be adored by humanity. She lived her life in a very unassuming way – in humble obedience to God and doing good for others. God approves of Dorcas' life, so much so, that He preserves her name in the inspired Record for us to imitate. Dorcas was a "disciple" – one who did not just hear the Word of God, but also obeyed (Acts 9:36). She was a doer of the Word and not just a hearer only (c.f., Jam.1:22). She cared for those in need, making them "coats and garments" (Acts 9:39). We are not told whether or not she was wealthy or considered to be in the "upper class" of Joppa's society. None of this mattered to God as He inspired Luke to write. Dorcas was able to do good for others and she did. Her love and kindness must have been much more than just "good works and almsdeeds which she did" (9:36), because when she died, many wept and felt the void she left behind (9:39, 41). She did not do good works to be seen of men (c.f., Mat. 23:5); she did good because doing good is right (Gal. 6:10; Jam. 4:17).

Contrast that which is recorded about Dorcas with that of Ananias and Sapphira. While many members of the Church were providing much needed funds to expedite the work of the Apostles, Ananias "sold a possession, and kept back part of the price, his wife also being privy to it, and brought a certain part, and laid it at the Apostles' feet" (Acts 5:1-2). At first glance, it may seem that Ananias and Sapphira did a noble thing, but an inspired Apostle, "Peter said, Ananias, why hath Satan filled thine heart to lie to the Holy Ghost, and to keep back part of the price of the land? Whiles it remained, was it not thine own? And after it was sold, was it not in

thine own power? Why hast thou conceived this thing in thine heart? Thou hast not lied unto men, but unto God" (5:3-4). The logical implication is that Ananias and Sapphira attempted to deceive their brethren into thinking that they had donated the entire sum from the sale of their property when, in actuality, they had kept some for themselves. Why would a couple do such a thing? Perhaps it was for love of the money (1 Tim. 6:10). It may have also been for the purpose of elevating themselves in the eyes of their brethren. Is it because "they loved the praise of men more than the praise of God" (John 12:43)? Rather than being righteous, it seems that they wanted to be "seen" as righteous. It is possible for a man to "seem to be religious...but deceiveth his own heart, this man's religion is vain" (Jam. 1:26).

Many crave to see their names "in lights" and to be adored by men. God, however, desires that we be unassuming – "God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the humble. Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time" (1 Pet. 5:5-6). While many will follow in the ways of Ananias and Sapphira, and aspire to be of great acclaim among men, let us aspire to be like Dorcas.

--Brad Green

### **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!

