

Prayer List

Diane Capps, Kenny Even, Doris Reyes Fernandez, Marc Genua, Ashleigh Green, Ella Green, Alice Hall, Amanda Hatcher, Philip Hutton, Kim Johnson, Norman Lee, Mary Lynn McAleer, Tony Priola, Chris Ragle, Norma Ragle, Ronald Russell, Tim Smith, Sheila Sollars, Jim and Carole Turk, Louise Walker, Abby Yarlequé.

- Tresa Snyder is recovering after surgery Wednesday. They are awaiting test results.

Announcements

- Men's Meeting, Monday, April 4, 7:00 PM.
- Mark your calendars for our Gospel Meeting, May 15-18, 2011 with Kent Bailey. Be praying and working to make this effort successful. We have flyers ready to be handed out.

The Numbers

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| Attendance | Sunday, March 13 | 19/21/21 |
| | Wednesday, March 16 | 19 |
| Offering | Sunday, March 13 | \$903.00 |

Those Serving

Prayer Before Sunday Classes James Hutton

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements & Prayer Barry Simmons
Songs Keith Keever
Sermon Brad Green
Lord's Supper & Contribution Lance Green
Assistants Levy Cox and Donald Shipley
Closing Prayer David Snyder

Sunday Afternoon Worship

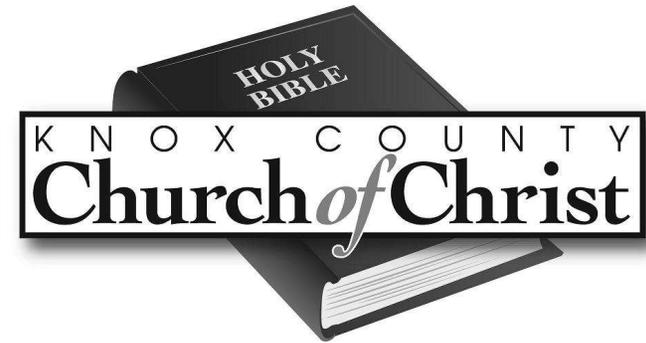
First Prayer Charles Hatcher
Songs *Singing*
Sermon Brad Green
Lord's Supper Barry Simmons
Closing Prayer Donald Shipley

Wednesday Night

Songs James Hutton
First Prayer Keith Keever
Devotional Charles Hatcher
Closing Prayer David Snyder

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Meeting Location:
130 Mabry Hood Road
Suite 102
Knoxville, TN 37922
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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

"FOR WHAT AM I RESPONSIBLE?"

[Written by Marvin L. Weir, preacher for the Bonham Street Church of Christ, Paris, TX]

One of the greatest problems afflicting mankind is the refusal to accept responsibility for one's actions. Most people are determined to blame someone else for their own unacceptable conduct. Some blame their bad behavior on their ancestors, others blame a society that existed 150 years ago, and many say the devil *makes* them act as they now act.

The Word of God says, "so then each one of us shall give account of himself to God" (Rom. 4:12). The Bible doesn't teach that we shall be able to successfully blame our failures on others. God holds each of us accountable for his *choices* and *actions*. This is why each person should possess the attitude of the Bereans who, "received the Word with all readiness of mind, and examined the Scriptures daily, whether those things were so" (Acts 17:11).

A person is responsible for his attitude toward, and knowledge of the Word of God. Many people believe that the Bible is God's Word, but they never study the Holy Scriptures. To ignore the teachings of the Bible is to act as if it does not exist. Some give "lip service" to the Bible, but have no real understanding of the Scriptures. It requires diligent study to know right from wrong and truth from error. (cf., 2 Tim. 2:15).

Some are convinced that if they remain ignorant of God's Word they will not be accountable for their ignorance. But the Bible doesn't so teach. Each person is responsible for finding the truth on any given matter, accepting the truth as it is, and making such truth a guide for his actions.

One may know that instrumental music was used in the Old Testament (cf., Psa. 150) and thus *feel* that it is an acceptable means of worshipping God today. But the Old Testament is not the covenant that we are under today. That covenant — and all it contained — was nailed to the cross (Col. 2:14) to make way for the "*better covenant*" (Heb. 7:22; 8:6). The first covenant was taken away "*that He may establish the second*" (Heb. 10:9).

Under the New Covenant God has authorized singing, *not* playing. Search your New Testament and you will find examples and commands regarding the music that God desires in worship today (Mat. 26:30; Acts 16:25; 1 Cor. 14:15; Eph. 5:19; Col. 3:16; Heb. 2:12; Jam. 5:13; Rev. 5:9; 14:3; 15:3). There is Bible authority for singing, but no such authority for playing on an instrument.

One is responsible for understanding that there is only *one* church that Jesus built (Mat. 16:18), the church of Christ (Rom. 16:16). The church and the body of which Christ is the head are one and the same (Eph. 1:22-23). The apostle Paul made it clear to the Ephesians that there is only *one* body (Eph. 4:4). "One" *never* means more than "one" until folks begin to discuss religion. It's only then that "one" means "two," "three," "four," or "one hundred and four." The one Head (Christ) then becomes the Saviour of multiple bodies that He never promised to build and did not purchase with His blood (Acts 20:28). There is no Bible authority for man-made churches (Mat. 15:13; 1 Cor. 10:10-13).

One is responsible for obeying the gospel. There is only one gospel (Gal. 1:6-9), and it alone has the power to save a soul from sin (Rom. 1:16). Those who obey not the gospel will be eternally lost (2 The. 1:8). Baptism is a part of the plan of salvation, and one must be baptized to be saved (Mark 16:16; 1 Pet. 3:21). Baptism is *for* the remission of sins (Acts 2:38; 22:16) and one

cannot be saved while still in his sins.

Yes, man is responsible for many things. But the thing that matters most is your attitude toward the Word of God. Will you accept it and obey it as the Truth it is (John 17:17; 8:32), or will you ignore it and cling to the opinions, creeds, and traditions of men? Remember, *you* are responsible before God for your choices and actions.

--Marvin L. Weir

Welcome Visitors

We're happy to have you with us today. Please feel free to ask us any questions you may have. Please stick around after services so that we can get to know you better.

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!

