

## Prayer List

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Peggy Driscoll, Doris Reyes Fernandez, Marc Genua, Ashleigh Green, Ella Green, Alice Hall, Amanda Hatcher, Gordon Hatcher, Philip Hutton, Kim Johnson, Jim Ledbetter, Norman Lee, Mary Lynn McAleer, Tony Priola, Chris Ragle, Norma Ragle, Ronald Russell, Tim Smith, Dolores Snyder, Tresa Snyder, Sheila Sollars

- Eleanor Green is recovering from a bad reaction to a flu shot she had on Friday.
- Jimmy Thompson, preacher for the West Newton church of Christ in Indiana, has recently been diagnosed with cancer.

## Announcements

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Men's Meeting tomorrow evening at 7 PM.

## The Numbers

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Attendance	Sunday, September 4	12/14/14
	Wednesday, September 7	13
Offering	Sunday, September 4	\$696.00

## Those Serving

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Prayer Before Sunday Classes Charles Hatcher  
**Sunday Morning Worship**

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

### Sunday Afternoon Worship

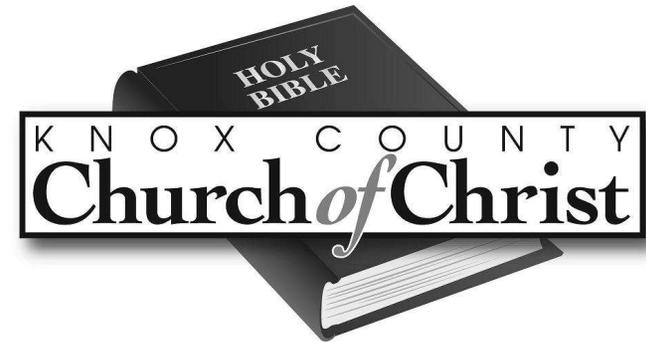
First Prayer	David Snyder
Songs	Keith Keever
Sermon	Brad Green
Lord's Supper	Lance Green
Closing Prayer	Charles Hatcher

### Wednesday Night

Songs	Brad Green
First Prayer	Barry Simmons
Devotional	Keith Keever
Closing Prayer	Tommy Sanders

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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***

### **"DO YOU REMEMBER?"**

There are days in everyone's life which are memorable – birthdays, anniversaries, graduations, national holidays, etc. Some days throughout history have affected the lives of so many at one time that the date, itself, becomes engraved in our minds and is associated with a multitude of memories. Such is the case with the date, **9/11**. On that day in 2001, "freedom itself was attacked...by a faceless coward" (President George W. Bush, 9/11/01). It is important that we always remember that day so that we do not become weak and lax and have to witness such a day ever again. It is important to remember that there are evil people in the world who hate the principles and freedoms upon which the United States was founded no matter what we say or do. It is important to remember that our nation is not "unsinkable" (a reference to another day which invokes powerful emotions – the sinking of the *Titanic*). We must never forget that "righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people" (Pro. 14:34) and "that the Most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever He will, and setteth up over it the basest of men [*if He so allow*]" (Dan. 4:17).

It is necessary also for Christians to be mindful. The apostle Paul writes, "moreover, brethren, I declare unto you the Gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand; By which also ye are saved, **if ye keep in memory** what I preached unto you" (1 Cor. 15:1-2, emp. B.G.). It is important that Christians remember that which is taught in the Bible and never allow that which saves form sin slip from our memories.

**Do you remember the day that you came "unto the knowledge of the Truth" (1**

**Tim. 2:4)?** This is a day that carries with it mixed emotions. At the point in an individual's life where he realizes that he is separated from God due to sin (Isa. 59:1-2), he may feel sad, scared, or both. However, the sadness and fear can change quickly to joy once the individual understands what God requires for him to be reconciled to God. The inspired Paul writes, "knowing therefore the terror of the Lord, we persuade men...if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new. And all things are of God, who hath reconciled us to Himself by Jesus Christ" (2 Cor. 5:11, 17-18).

**Do you remember the day on which you were baptized in order to have your past sins washed away?** Once an individual knows that he is lost in sin and can only find reconciliation "in Christ," the sincere and honest heart will do whatever God commands in order to be saved from sin. God informs us that "all spiritual blessings" (Eph. 1:3) are in Christ, sanctification is "in Christ" (1 Cor. 1:2), we are redeemed by God's grace in Christ (Rom. 3:24), and there is "no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus" (Rom. 8:1). God also explains how one can get into Christ – "know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into His death? Therefore we are buried with Him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life" (Rom. 6:3-4). What a glorious day; the day one has his sins washed away (Acts 22:16; Rev. 1:5). This is a day no one should forget.

**Do you remember the day you fell "from grace" (Gal. 5:4)?** Prayerfully, this question will not immediately pertain to the majority of those reading this article. Even still, one must "take heed to thyself, and keep thy soul diligently, *lest thou forget* the things which thine

eyes have seen, and lest they depart from thy heart all the days of thy life: but teach them thy sons, and thy sons' sons" (Deu. 4:9). If we do not remember to study, practice, and apply God's Word daily and honestly (c.f., Acts 17:11), we can forget God (Deu. 6:12) and leave Him (Rev. 2:4).

Sadly, there are many who have "fallen from grace," and sadder yet, they either cannot remember the day it occurred or are ignorant of the fact that it has. Generally speaking, those who forget God and leave His Ways do not make a conscious decision to break off the relationship they have with God. The act of "falling away," many times happens slowly and perhaps innocently (at first). An individual who chooses to sin may not necessarily be choosing to leave God altogether, but once he reaches the slippery slope he "is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed. Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death" (Jam. 1:14-15).

For those who remain faithful to the Lord, let us remember "that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey...being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end everlasting life" (Rom. 6:16, 22). For those who have forgotten and strayed from God's Law, "remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent" (Rev. 2:5).

--*Brad Green*

### **Welcome Visitors**

We're glad you are with us today. Feel free to ask us any questions you may have. We look forward to getting to know you better.