

## Prayer List

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Doris Reyes Fernandez, Marc Genua, Ashleigh Green, Eleanor Green, Amanda Hatcher, Gordon Hatcher, Juan Mandujano, Early Phillips, Andrew Ragle, Chris Ragle, Norma Ragle, Verne Ragle, Ronald Russell, Tim Smith, Dolores Snyder, Sheila Sollars, Joe Stephenson, Ramona Sutton, Kevin (Chela Keever's nephew)

## The Numbers

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Attendance	Sunday, May 20	26/37/18
	Monday - Wednesday, May 21-23	24/25/29
Offering	Sunday, May 20	\$911.00

## Those Serving

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Prayer Before Sunday Classes Tommy Sanders

### Sunday Morning Worship

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

### Sunday Afternoon Worship

First Prayer	Tommy Sanders
Songs	<i>Singing</i>
Sermon	Brad Green
Lord's Supper	Charles Hatcher
Closing Prayer	Barry Simmons

### Wednesday Night

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

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**May 27, 2012**



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**Meeting Location:**  
130 Mabry Hood Road  
Suite 102  
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***

### **THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS "SAME-SEX MARRIAGE"**

[Article written by brother Dub Mowery, preacher for the Pritchett Church of Christ in Big Sandy, TX.]

God established marriage at the beginning of time (Genesis 2:18-25). He provided a mate for Adam in the person of Eve, not "Steve." During the personal ministry of Jesus Christ, He spoke of the Heavenly Father establishing marriage. The Son of God declared: "Have ye not read, that He which made them at the beginning made them male and female, And said, For this cause shall a man leave father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife: and they twain shall be one flesh? Wherefore they are no more twain, but one flesh. What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder" (Matthew 19:4-6). Notice His emphasis upon male and female; not male and male, or female and female. In fact, the apostle Paul speaks of such intimate relations between those of the same sex as "vile affections." Those who become homosexuals or lesbians have departed from God – "Wherefore God also gave them up to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts, to dishonor their own bodies between themselves: Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed forever. Amen. For this cause God gave them up unto vile affections: for even their women did change the natural use into that which is against nature: And likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another; men with men working that which is unseemly, and receiving in themselves that recompense of their error which was meet" (Romans 1:24-27).

Whether or not a government official

recognizes the so-called "same-sex marriage," it remains an abomination unto God. He destroyed the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah because of that heinous sin (Genesis 19). A nation or a state might recognize the relations between two people of the same sex as a marriage, but God does not. The apostle Peter emphasized that when laws of an earthly government conflict with God's laws then we are to obey God rather than men (Acts 5:29). Just because a society and/or government recognizes a particular thing does not mean God approves of it.

Even though Herod had married his brother's wife according to the laws of his government it was not a marriage in the eyes of God. This is pointed out in the following passage: "For Herod himself had sent forth and laid hold upon John, and bound him in prison for Herodias' sake, his brother Philip's wife: for he had married her. For John had said unto Herod, It is not lawful for thee to have thy brother's wife" (Mark 6:17-18).

Thus, in the eyes of God there is no such thing as a "same-sex marriage."

— *Dub Mowery*

### **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!

