

## Prayer List

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Doris Reyes Fernandez, Marc Genua, Ashleigh Green, Eleanor Green, Amanda Hatcher, Gordon Hatcher, Keelan Jackson, 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)

- Austin Sande (stepson of Charles Hatcher's sister) died unexpectedly yesterday morning. He was 19.

## The Numbers

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Attendance	Sunday, June 10	15/16/16
	Wednesday, June 13	11
Offering	Sunday, June 10	\$860.00

## Those Serving

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Prayer Before Sunday Classes David Snyder

### Sunday Morning Worship

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

### Sunday Afternoon Worship

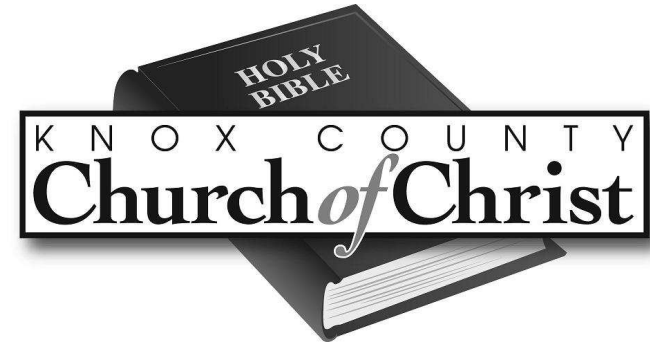
First Prayer Tommy Sanders  
Songs Keith Keever  
Sermon Brad Green  
Lord's Supper Charles Hatcher  
Closing Prayer Donald Shipley

### Wednesday Night

Songs Lance Green  
First Prayer Barry Simmons  
Devotional Keith Keever  
Closing Prayer Brad Green

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**June 17, 2012**



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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***

### **"SOME 'WHY NOTS' OF WORSHIP"**

[Written by brother Dub McClish, preacher for the Northpoint Church of Christ in Denton, TX.]

The worship of Almighty God is both an exalted privilege and an awesome responsibility. Failure to grasp this truth plunged the likes of Cain (Gen. 4), Nadab and Abihu (Lev. 10), and King Saul (1 Sam. 13) into terrible calamities. Our Lord chastised His contemporaries because they worshiped according to the teachings of men, rather than those of God (Mat. 15:9). Worshipers of God **must** worship Him "in spirit and truth" (John 4:24). Some Christians do not enjoy worshiping God because they mistake its purpose.

**Worship is not to please ourselves, but God.** The Old Testament characters mentioned above pleased themselves rather than God. So it was with the vain worshipers Jesus rebuked. Since then all sorts of worship practices have been adopted, including the counting of beads, Mariolatry, employing instruments of music, and in a few cases (believe it or not), performances by "exotic" dancers. These and a thousand other things are done because men **like** them, regardless of what God's Word says. Regrettably, even some members of the Lord's church now care more for what pleases them than what pleases God. However, if we are not going to worship as God decrees, we worship in vain (1 Sam. 15:22; Mat. 15:9).

**Worship is not to arouse, but to express, spirituality.** Worship means "to bow down," "to esteem," "to pay reverence," and such like. All of these terms relate to man's expression of love, devotion, and willingness to serve and glorify God. However, men often are sorely disappointed unless there is something

entertaining, "different," or sensually "exciting" in their religious meetings. Now when one truly expresses his love and adoration for God as God teaches, his spirit will be stimulated and his love for God will be intensified. However, these are the natural **by-products** that flow from true worship; they are not the **purpose** of worship.

**Worship is not to receive, but to give.** We should come to our worship assemblies ready to "offer up a sacrifice of praise" (Heb. 13:15). In the very avenues of worship ordained by God, we come together to **give** our praise, devotion, and money because we love Him. Those who drone, "I don't get anything out of worship," reveal their own selfishness; they come only to get rather than to give. True worshipers always **receive** many blessings, but again, these are wonderful by-products of **giving** ourselves in praise and service to God.

**In worship, we are not the audience; God is.** Failure to understand this turns those in the pews into hypercritics of preachers and prayer and song leaders. God observes the hearer in the pew as much as the preacher in the pulpit. He cares as much about the condition of the hearts of those who are singing and praying in the pew as He cares about the one up front leading.

— *Dub McClish*

### **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!

