

## Prayer List

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Thomy Brewster, Gary Cooper, Nancy Farley,  
 Doris Reyes Fernandez, Donna Fowler,  
 Marc Genua, Ashleigh Green, Eleanor Green,  
 Mike Grigg, Gordon Hatcher, Juan Mandujano,  
 Mary Lynn McAleer, Betty Miller, Bernice and  
 E. Y. Mock, sister Orasco (Peru), Early Phillips,  
 Chris Ragle, Ronald Russell, Barry Simmons,  
 Tim Smith, Dolores Snyder, Sheila Sollars,  
 Kevin (Chela Keever's nephew), Jana Ward

## The Numbers

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Attendance	Sunday, August 11	17/18/17
	Wednesday, August 14	—
Offering	Sunday, August 11	\$781.00

## Those Serving

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Prayer Before Sunday Classes      Brad Green

### Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements & Prayer	Charles Hatcher
Songs	Steven Jackson
Sermon	Brad Green
Lord's Supper & Contribution	Keith Keever
Assistant	Levy Cox
Closing Prayer	Lance Green

### Sunday Afternoon Worship

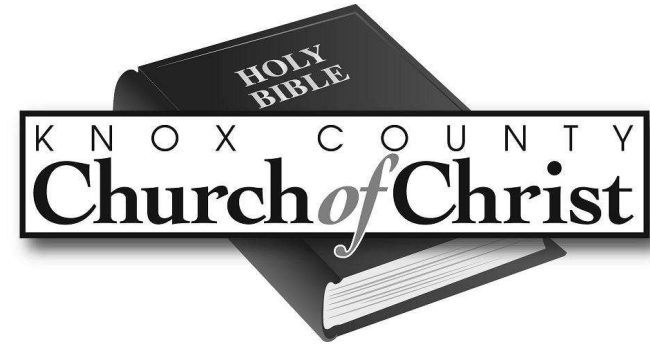
First Prayer	Tommy Sanders
Songs	Keith Keever
Sermon	Brad Green
Lord's Supper	Keith Keever
Closing Prayer	Charles Hatcher

### Wednesday Night

Songs	David Snyder
First Prayer	Barry Simmons
Devotional	Tommy Sanders
Closing Prayer	Donald Shipley

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**August 18, 2013**



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**Meeting Location:**  
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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***

### **"WE GAVE NO PLACE"**

*[The following article is written by brother Ken Chumbley and appeared in the June 9, 2008 issue of the Beacon, a publication of the Bellview Church of Christ.]*

The title of this article is taken from what the apostle Paul wrote to the churches of Galatia:

Then fourteen years after I went up again to Jerusalem with Barnabas, and took Titus with *me* also. And I went up by revelation, and communicated unto them that gospel which I preach among the Gentiles, but privately to them which were of reputation, lest by any means I should run, or had run, in vain. But neither Titus, who was with me, being a Greek, was compelled to be circumcised: And that because of false brethren unawares brought in, who came in privily to spy out our liberty which we have in Christ Jesus, that they might bring us into bondage: To whom **we gave place by** subjection, no, not for an hour; that the truth of the gospel might continue with you (Gal. 2:1-5).

*We gave no place* is translated in the NKJV as "we did not yield." Here Paul is referring to the meeting that was held in Jerusalem the details of which are recorded for us by Luke in Acts 15. This meeting of Paul with the other apostles in Jerusalem came about as a result of the

Judaizing teachers who were insisting that Gentiles had to, essentially, become Jews in order that they might be saved. Earlier, there had been a dispute when certain men came to Antioch from Judea who were teaching that Gentiles could not be saved unless they were circumcised "after the manner of Moses." This teaching was challenged by Paul and Barnabas and it was determined that they, along with others should go to Jerusalem to meet with the apostles and elders there regarding this matter (Acts 15:1-2). At that Jerusalem meeting some who were from the "sect of the Pharisees" that believed insisted: "That it was needful to circumcise them, and to command *them* to keep the law of Moses" (Acts 15:5). At the conclusion of the meeting in Jerusalem, after such had been discussed, it was decided that such was not necessary. Notice what James, speaking for the assembled apostles and elders, said: "For it seemed good to the Holy Ghost, and to us, to lay upon you no greater burden than these necessary things; That ye abstain from meats offered to idols, and from blood, and from things strangled, and from fornication: from which if ye keep yourselves, ye shall do well. Fare ye well" (Acts 15:28-29). Such was not merely the determination of men but also the teaching of the Holy Spirit. Such false teachers were continuing to trouble the churches, particularly in Galatia and, in so doing, they were perverting the Gospel and turning brethren away from the Lord to a different Gospel (Gal. 1:6-7).

Note, Paul did not "give place by subjection ("yield submission"—NKJV) for even one hour to these false teachers. That is, he did not compromise, he did not budge, he did not give place or yield an inch of strategic ground to these false teachers. Paul illustrates his unyielding stance in refusing to allow Titus to be circumcised according to Jewish rites. In this context, it would have meant compromising

with religious error. Why was Paul so unyielding? He stated his reason: "that the truth of the gospel might continue with" the Galatians (Gal. 2:5). The clear implication of this statement is that if Paul had compromised, the truth would not have continued with the Galatian brethren.

Even in the 21st century Christians are also tempted to compromise in many ways. Sometimes those temptations come from without and sometimes they come from within, from what Paul referred to as "false brethren." It matters not what the source of such temptation might be, but it does matter that we do not "give place" or "yield" to such temptation. To do so would mean that the truth could not continue with us (Gal. 2:5). If we are called upon by some to compromise the doctrine of the one church, the New Testament pattern of worship, the plan of salvation, to ignore the biblical teaching on fellowship and fellowship false teachers, etc., for us to "give place" or "yield" would be to accept error and the truth would not continue with us. Such is a very serious matter. Salvation cannot exist apart from the truth (John 8:32; 17:17; Rom. 1:16).

Realizing what is at stake, let us maintain the resolve that the apostle Paul had when he refused to compromise with error that it might also be said of us that we did not "give place" or "yield" to compromise of the truth.

*--Ken Chumbley*

## **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.

## **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!