

Prayer List

Thomy Brewster, Doris Reyes Fernandez, Donna Fowler, Marc Genua, Anna Bell Green, Eleanor Green, Gordon Hatcher, Mimi Headrick, Mary Lynn McAleer, Juan Mandujano, Larry McCollum, Betty Miller, Magaly Orozco, Early Phillips, Chris Ragle, Norma Ragle, Ronald Russell, Tim Smith, Dolores Snyder, Jana Ward

Announcements

The next Men's Meeting will be tomorrow evening at 7PM.

The Numbers

Attendance	Sunday, January 26	20/21/21
	Wednesday, Jan 29	<i>no service</i>
Offering	Sunday, January 26	\$858.00

Those Serving

Prayer Before Sunday Classes Tommy Sanders
Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements & Prayer	Barry Simmons
Songs	Keith Keever
Sermon	Brad Green
Lord's Supper & Contribution	David Snyder
Assistant	Levy Cox
Closing Prayer	Terry Hurst

Sunday Afternoon Worship

First Prayer	Tommy Sanders
Songs	David Snyder
Sermon	Brad Green
Lord's Supper	Terry Hurst
Closing Prayer	Charles Hatcher

Wednesday Night

Songs	Kevin Felker
First Prayer	Charles Hatcher
Devotional	Keith Keever
Closing Prayer	Barry Simmons

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Meeting Location:
130 Mabry Hood Road
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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

"BIBLICAL BAPTISM #2"

[The following article is written by brother Dub McClish and was published in Denton Record-Chronicle, Denton, Texas, October 5, 2007.]

Mere men did not invent the Bible doctrine of baptism. Jesus, in the Great Commission (Mat. 28:19-20; Mark 16:15-16) is its author, and He alone has the right to specify its element, purpose, antecedents, action, candidates, and every other facet of it. The New Testament is the exclusive source of this information.

Is baptism for everyone (i.e., all who are capable of responding to the Gospel)? One correct answer is, "Yes." The Great Commission indicates that the Lord wants everyone to hear, believe, and obey the Gospel. However, Another correct answer is, "No." Millions should **not** be baptized, not because God arbitrarily wills it, but because they are unprepared and unqualified. Scriptural statements abound indicating various ones who **should not** be baptized:

- 1 Those who do not **believe in Jesus** as the Christ: "For except ye believe that I am he, ye shall die in your sins" (John 8:24). Baptism will not benefit the unbeliever.
- 2 Those who will not **confess their faith**, even though they may believe: Before Philip would baptize the Ethiopian, the evangelist required him to confess his faith (Acts 8:36-37; cf. Rom. 10:9-10).
- 3 Those who will **not repent of their sins**: To repent means to **determine** to stop sinning and then to **stop** sinning. Those brought to believe in Christ by the preaching on Pentecost were told: "Repent ye, and be baptized..." (Acts 2:38). Baptism is a hollow act if not preceded by repentance.

- 4 Those who seek to **please others** rather than to obey Jesus: It is right for parents, a spouse, or a friend to strongly desire one to be baptized into Christ. However, if one goes through the act merely to please others, rather than to submit to the will of Christ, the act is vain. Those on Pentecost "gladly received the word" (Acts 2:41). One's obedience must be "from the heart" (Rom 6:17-18).
- 5 Those who do not **know, or who deny, the purpose** of baptism: The Bible states this purpose variously. It is in order to: be saved (Mark 16: 16), receive remission of sins (Acts 2:38), wash away sins (22:16), put on Christ (Gal. 3:27), and like expressions. Baptism is the line between those not forgiven and those forgiven, those not His children and those who are, the world and the church. If one does not comprehend the purpose of the Lord's supper, he takes it in vain (1 Cor. 11:26, 29). So it is with baptism.

Baptism is for believers who will confess Christ and repent of their sins. Those lacking these scriptural antecedents are not Scriptural candidates for baptism.

--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!

