

Prayer List

Marc Genua, Eleanor Green, Michelle Grimm,
 Virgil Hale, Betty Harama, Gordon Hatcher,
 Kenny Hughes, Evelyn Hunt, Brandi Kayla
 Kever, Herminia Linginfelter, Magaly
 Orozco, Herbert and Jean Palmer, Chris Ragle,
 Norma Ragle, Tim Smith, Dolores Snyder,
 Sam Teasley, Richard Thompson, Susan
 Vaigneur, Jana Ward, Andria Hurst Wood

The Numbers

Attendance	Sunday, December 14	12/17/12
	Wednesday, December 17	11
Offering	Sunday, December 14	\$481.00

Those Serving

Prayer before Sunday Class Keith Kever

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements & First Prayer	Charles Hatcher
Songs	Kevin Felker
Sermon	Brad Green
Lord's Supper	Terry Hurst
Contribution	Barry Simmons
Closing Prayer	Tommy Sanders

Sunday Afternoon Worship

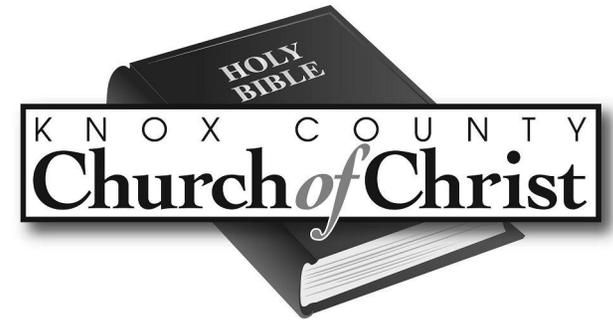
First Prayer	Barry Simmons
Songs	Keith Kever
Sermon	Brad Green
Lord's Supper	Terry Hurst
Closing Prayer	Donald Shipley

Wednesday Night

Songs	Kevin Felker
First Prayer	David Snyder
Devotional	Tommy Sanders
Closing Prayer	Charles Hatcher

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Meeting Location:

130 Mabry Hood Road
 Suite 102
 Knoxville, TN 37922
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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 Preachers Pen

“A Whale of a Tale”

[This article is written by brother Roelf L. Ruffner, and appeared in the October 15, 2012 issue of The Beacon, A Publication of the Bellview Church of Christ in Pensacola, FL]

It takes an enormous amount of faith as well as downright **gullibility** to believe in Charles Darwin’s theory of evolution. He maintained that a lower species of plant or animal life can, over a period of **millions** of years, evolve into another species of plant or animal.

Yet contrary to what evolutionists believe, their theory has never been demonstrated by valid experimentation, observation in nature, or even in the fossil record. However, evolutionists hold to their **false assumptions** with a zealously blind faith that borders on the paranoid. A case in point is Darwin’s speculation in the first edition of his book *On the Origin of Species* that a whale evolved from a bear.

In North America, the black bear was seen by Hearne swimming for hours with widely open mouth, thus catching, like a whale, insects in the water.

Even in so extreme a case as this, if the supply of insects were constant, and if better adapted competitors did not already exist in the country, I can see no difficulty in a race of bears being rendered, by natural selection, more and more aquatic in their structure and habits, with larger and larger mouths, till a creature was produced as monstrous as a whale (567).

So bizarre and ridiculous were his assumptions thought to be that he was forced to remove

them from subsequent editions of his book by his scientific colleagues. Yet, is not the whole ungodly theory of evolution **preposterous** and **ridiculous**? The fool hath said in his heart. There is no God (Psa. 14:1).

Today, Darwin’s disciples have changed the bear-to-whale fiasco a bit. Some maintain that whales evolved from a wolf-like creature or maybe a cat-like animal or perhaps a hippopotamus-like animal. Lately some have fantasized over a deer-like creature. These experts all bicker amongst themselves over their outlandish speculations.

The Christian’s faith is based on the inerrant Word of God. On the fifth day of Creation it records the creation of this enormous, beautifully complex creature:

And God created great whales [sea creatures—NKJV], and every living creature that moveth, which the waters brought forth abundantly, after their kind, and every winged fowl after his kind: and God saw that *it was* good (Gen. 1:21).

—Roelf L. Ruffner

The Bible and the Newspaper

The front page of our daily newspaper has about 3,000 words from top to bottom. That is the space utilized by the 24 shortest books of the Bible. During the time required to read ten pages of your newspaper, you can read the nearly 40,000 words of all 150 Psalms. It has been said that the entire Bible can be read in about 80 hours.

Why do some know so little about the most important of all publications known to man? Jesus said that the words that He spoke, the same shall judge man in the last day (John 12:48). There is no substitute for our own personal study of the Book from and of God.

Bible study enriches the mind, molds the heart, and shapes the life.

—Author Unknown

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!

