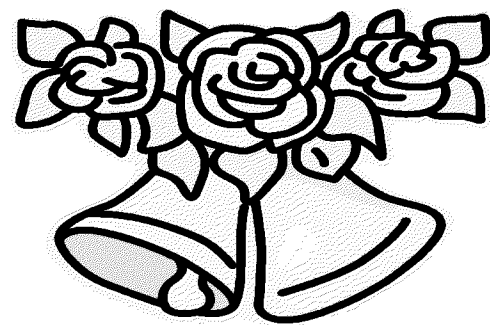


**\*\*THOSE WHO SERVE FOR JAN. 4 2009\*\***

**COMM TO HOSP:** Farris Tidwell, Robert Anderson & Tyler Mosley  
**COMM N HOME:** Jerry Western, Duane Robnett & Gene Hailey  
**USHERS:** Karl Craun, Oscar Martin, Don Mosley & Colton Pickard  
**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Terry Gross  
**LEAD SINGING:** William Western  
**LEAD PRAYER Opening:** Hubert Forkum **Closing:** Ralph Taylor  
**PRESIDE COMMUNION:** Jerry Butler  
**SERVE:** Daryl Daugherty, Shamron Jackson, Butch Lee, David Osborne, Mike Shouse, Brian Fortner, Pierre Griffin & Billy Tidwell  
**COMMUNION TO SHUTINS:** Lee Duke, Gale Larkins, Randall Reeves & Donnie Willis  
**DOOR GREETERS:** (1) David & Barbara Pickard (2) Doug & Debbie Couch (3) Randall & Sarah Reeves (4) Brian & Beth Bass (5) Mike & Susan Jones (6) Dennis & Keri Donaldson  
**SUNDAY NIGHT: LEAD SINGING:** William Western  
**OPENING PRAYER:** Rusty Aldridge **CLOSING:** David Karnes  
**SERVE TABLE:** Mike Jones & Tom Todd  
**WEDNESDAY NIGHT SINGING:** William Western  
**COMMUNION JANUARY:** Caroline Tidwell  
**JANUARY FOOD CALL:** Caroline Tidwell & Ann Heath  
**WASH LINENS:** Keri Donaldson  
**NURSERY:** Jeannette Shouse & Kristian Shouse  
*Sunday December 28, 2008 Attendance 305 Contribution 6068  
Sunday School 137 Mid-week 141*



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Year**

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**Elders:**

Karl Craun 797-3965  
Buddy Driver 797-9508  
David Pickard 797-6379  
Terry Gross 797-3878

**Deacons:** Tim Godwin, Shamron Jackson,  
Gale Larkins, Butch Lee, Don Mosley,  
Brent Welch and Larry Osborne

**Evangelist:** Doug Couch 973-9652

**Youth:** Tom Todd 446-1043

**Minister:** Every Member

**Custodian:** Melton Jack 797-5097

**Sunday:**

Bible Classes 9:00am

A.M. Worship 10:00am

P.M. Worship 5:00pm

Children's Bible Hour 5:00 pm

Class for grades 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>

(Located in Room # 4)

**Wednesday 7 PM Classes for everyone**

Thursday Ladies Bible Class 10:00 am

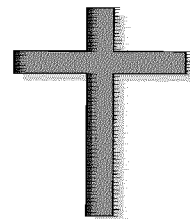
EmailAddress: [whbl@bellsouth.net](mailto:whbl@bellsouth.net)

Screen announcements:

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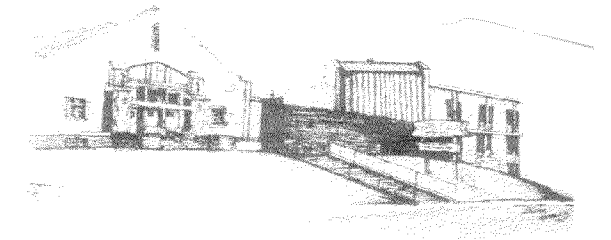
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CHURCH OF CHRIST**

**January 4, 2009**



**Jan. 14, A Day of Fasting & Prayer.**

Beginning Jan. 13, Tuesday evening, a number of Christians will devote themselves to fasting & prayer for 24 hours. They will miss three meals: supper meal on Tuesday evening, Wednesday breakfast, and Wednesday lunch. A congregational meal is planned on Wed., Jan. 14 at 5:30 P.M. where the "fast is broken." Then a special devotional service will be held at 7:00 P.M., Wednesday.

I once heard a man in North Carolina question whether it was wrong for elders to ask their congregation to fast and pray. He did so in light of how he interpreted Matthew 6:18. But Jesus' warning was about those who parade their religious acts simply to be seen of men (Matt. 6:1-18). If Matthew 6 is a command that all fasting must be secret, then all praying and giving must also be done where no one else can see. And if those actions must be performed secretly, then we could not ask a man to pray publicly before the congregation, or pass a collections plate on Sunday.

The book of Acts shows that fasting and prayer can be done in an cooperative way. Paul and Barnabas were among the prophets and teachers in Antioch who fasted and prayed before their missionary journey (Acts 13:1-4). Later when elders were ordained in Iconium, Lystras, and Derbe, there was fasting and prayer (Acts 14:23).

Not every is able to fast, but all can pray. Those whose health will not permit complete abstinence of food may consider participating in a "Daniel fast" (Daniel 10:2-3), where only a simple diet of vegetables and water is taken. However, during any kind of a fast, be sure to drink plenty of water. Fasting is doing without food for spiritual purposes.

You may have some special needs that you would like others to pray for. A blue box is on the visitor's table where you may submit prayer requests. A complete list will be provided on Jan. 11 so that you may appeal to God to grant these requests according to His will.

When a righteous man prays according to God's will, his prayer "avails much" (James 5:16). When several righteous men pray for the same things according to God's will, "He heareth us" (1 John 5:14). The Bible teaches that prayer moves the One who rules the universe (Acts 10:4). Pray that the sick may be restored to health (James 5:14). Pray for the spiritual renewal of God's people (Philippians 1:9-11). Pray for the salvation of lost souls (2 Timothy 2:24-26). Pray for our nation's leaders (1 Timothy 2:2). Pray for civil peace (1 Timothy 2:1-4).

----Doug Couch----

## PRAYER LIST

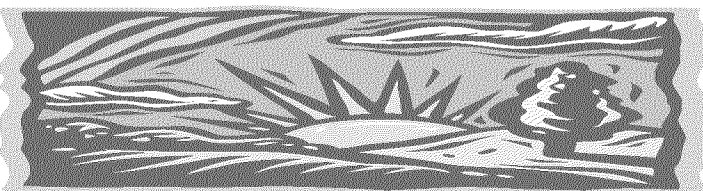
Those being treated for cancer are: **L.D. Larkins, Freddie Travis, Kenneth Tucker, Kerry Hall, Linda Letson (Jennifer Reynolds' mother), Grover Bradley (Joyce Baker's father), Charles Cocke (Sue Duke's nephew), Anthony Bennett (Jerry & Adelaide Butler's son-in-law), Kelsie Karnes, Barbara Hicks (mother of Pierre Griffin's employee), Lyla Hampton (23-month old daughter of Jed & Leslie Hinkle Hampton), Mary Ann Griffin, Pat Patterson, Stacy Pickard Patterson's father in law. Charles Tiffany, Joan Butler's brother. He lives in Syracuse NY.**

Amanda Sleaman's dad, **James Sleaman**, is ill. **Chantel Chumley**, Carol and Tom Todd's daughter, is now home. **Anita Spann** is now home. **Ray Pack** is now at his daughter's home in Florida. Joann Rist requests our prayers for her daughter **Rachel Mahon** as she is having a difficult time. **Andrew & Erika Toombs** unborn baby is experiencing problems. Brij Ramgopals' son-in-law **Michael Bradley** is recuperating from pen heart surgery in Atlanta. **Vivian Witherow** is now home from Centennial.

### And Continue to Remember

**Juanita Anderson** (Patty Qualls' mother), **Eddie Anderson** (Greg Anderson's father), **Olivia Apa, Rickey Arnold** (Sandra Hill's brother), **Byno Batey, Hazel Bibb, Shirley Boling, Dartha Bull, Rita Cannata, Mary Jean Cathey** (Sandra Hill's mother), **Clara May Cathey, Theresa Dabb, Doug Dudley** (Nancy's son), **Mabel Donaldson, Louise Dotson, Buddy & Brenda Driver, Margaret Furlough, Danny Gossett, Evelyn Godwin, Kolleen Godwin, Drake Hamilton, Willie Hamilton** (Roy & Ann Hamilton's son), **Lena Hartman, Carl Hay, E.C. Hooper, Wayne Hooper, Jerry Hupp** (Roger Michael's brother-in-law), **Mildred Karnes, Mary Sue Larkins, James Letson** (Jennifer Reynolds' father), **Justin Littrell** (Joanne Rists grandson's friend), **Lillie Martin, Karene & Russ Moore, Novella Nash, Nina Parker** (Laurie Parker's mother-in-law), **Rick Poole** (Christine Lazenby's son-in-law), **Prem Ralph**, (Vijay Ramgopal's sister), **Sarah Reeves, Lou Rodriguez** (Susan Jones father), **John A. Spicer** (Mary Spicer's son), **Jenna Stein** (Jennifer Reynolds' niece), **Kenneth Stokes, Morgan Thornton, Bruce Weatherspoon** (Jerry & Harry Butler's brother-in-law), **Elizabeth Willis** (Darth Bull, Tom & James Jackson's sister), **Vivian Witherow, Nancy Woods, Alma Worley, Kenny Bass**, Huntsville Hospital, 101 Sively Road, Huntsville, AL 35801, Phone (256) 265-1858. **Andrew Pack**, 1076 Claylick, White Bluff. **Roberta Chandler** (Joanne Rist's mother), 6665 Beacon Lane, Nashville 37209. **Maurice Stuart**, PO Box 6, White Bluff. **Julia Michael**, Wesley Manor, rm FG35, 155 N Main St, Frankfort IN 46041-1199. **Robert Schwartz**, 6635 Indian Creek Rd, McEwen 37101. **Bill Kinnard** (Lori Goodman's brother-in-law), 4801 Goodwin Rd. Antioch 37013. He is now on dialysis. **Avrel Brumfield** (Glenda Bull's father), 81 TWP 1354, Crown City, OH 45623. **Lynda Pharis** (Betty Forkum's sister), 327 Martha Ave., Mansfield LA 71052.

You can visit Kelsie's website at  
[www.caringbridge.org/visit/kelsiekarnes](http://www.caringbridge.org/visit/kelsiekarnes).



*One of the most tragic things about nature is that all of us tend to put off living. We are all dreaming of some magical rose garden over the horizon instead of enjoying the roses that are blooming outside our window today.*

## IN NURSING HOMES

**NHC, Box 585 Dickson 37056:** Mary L Hunter, Fannie Hill, Pam Jones, Lorell Heath, Melba Williams, Edith Hamilton (Niki Hamilton's Mother-in-law) Rm 218, Calvin Baker, Lovell Story, & Elsie Daugherty.

**Olive Branch, 110 Luther Rd, Dickson TN 37055:** Margaret Stitt.

**Christian Heath Care Center, 2501 River Rd, Ashland City, TN 37015:** Iris Spann.

**Silverplume, 1104 Old Charlotte Rd, White Bluff, TN 37187:**

Gladys Rinaldo and Jack Duke.

**Hillcrest Health Care Center, 111 Pemberton Dr, Ashland City, TN 37015:** Shirley Hamilton, Bill Boone and Joe Sawyers.

**Dickson Healthcare Center, 901N Charlotte St., Dickson 37055:**

Mildred Parker, Martha Coleman, Mabel Simons, Mattie Hayes and Billy Ray Cathey.

**NHC Place in Franklin, 211 Cool Springs Blvd, Franklin, 37067, room 2211:** Betty Cathey.

**Life Care Center of Centerville, 112 Old Dickson Rd, Centerville, 37033:** Greta Jane Hall.

*Our troops need our prayers for strength, endurance & safety*

**CPL Rist, Jonathan A.**  
Fund has been set up at SunTrust Bank. Contributions marked for Jonathan A. Rist. Andrew is in California this time. Send any cards to his parents, Joann and Hardy Rist 618 Stacy Rd, White Bluff

**SSG, Jackson, Shawn T.**  
HHC, 1-22 INBN, IBCT, 41D(m)  
APO AE 09361  
(Shamron Jackson's brother)

**PFC Hall, Michael Shane**  
304<sup>th</sup> MP BN  
Camp Bucca, Iraq  
APO AE 09375  
(The son of Perry Wayne and Missy Hall)

**Kurt A. Seebach SGT**  
776th Maintenance Co.  
APO AEO9378-5921

**RCT. Street, David A** (new address not known at this time)

**LCPL Walker, Dustin G.** (is now home)

**Andrew Toombs** (in California)

**Timothy Bradshaw** (North Carolina)

**John Jefferson**

*If someone were to pay you ten cents for every kind word you ever spoke about people and collect five cents for every unkind word...would you be rich or poor?*

## December Calendar

**Dec. 31 – 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesday Singing**

**Jan. 11 – Elders'– Deacons' Meeting 3:30 – 4:30 P.M.**

**Jan. 19 – Family Night, 6:30 P.M.**

**Jan. 20 – Blood Mobile**

## Happy Birthday

**Jan. 9 – Karl Craun**

**Linda Hawkins**



## Couples Retreat 2009

The proposed date for this retreat is March 19, 2009.

The location is at the Walden Lodge in Pigeon



Forge, TN.

The cost:

Lodging: \$139.98,

Breakfast \$8.00

Golden Coral: \$25.00

If you are planning to go, \$70.00 is due Jan. 4<sup>th</sup>.

If you want to see pictures of the lodge

and look at a map go to the website

<http://www.bluffmountainrentals.com/waldenmlodge.asp>

Call Carl Meadows for more information 797-9948

## Thank You

**Thanks you for the food, visits and prayers during our loss. They were greatly appreciated. Wallace Miller & Family**

## Senior Moment

*"Where is my Sunday paper?" the irate customer loudly demanded, calling the newspaper office.*

*"Ma'am said the newspaper employee," "Today is Saturday. The Sunday paper is not delivered until tomorrow, on Sunday."*

*There was quite a long pause on the other end of the phone followed by a "Well that explains why I was the only one at church today!"*

*I Know Something Good About You!*

*Wouldn't this old world be better  
If the folks we met would say,  
"I know something good about you!"  
And then treat us just that way?*

*Wouldn't it be fine and dandy,  
If each handclasp, warm and true,  
Carried with it this assurance,  
"I know something good about you?"*

*Wouldn't life be lots more happy,  
If the good that's in us all  
Were the only thing about us  
That folks bothered to recall?*

*Wouldn't it be nice to practice  
That fine way of thinking, too;  
You know something good about me;  
I know something good about you?*

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## Attention Ladies

We need your service. Sign-up lists for Food Calling, to Prepare food, Prepare Communion and to Wash Linens for 2009 are in the foyer. If you signed up last year please sign-up again. We are still in need of 7 ladies in the Food Calling, 8 to prepare Communion and 4 to Wash Linens.

## Love....

*"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous! Do not tremble or be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."*

Joshua 1:9