

INDEPENDENCE CHURCH OF CHRIST
JULY 6, 2025

PRAYERS: Let us continue to remember the **Houses** and **Masseys** in their emotionally taxing situations.

SICK: **Suzanne Brown** will have another procedure, perhaps this week. **April Kinney** fell and hurt her foot this past week. Continue to remember **Stu Tuttle** as he recovers from his recent sinus surgery. **Shelly Cates** and **Mary Ray** have been struggling health-wise. **Allene** (facing thyroid surgery) and **Paul** (cancer) **Baldwin** continue to face serious health problems.

PROTRACTED: **Brandi Beavers**—fibromyalgia; **Scooter Birmingham** (friend of **Destiny Clayton**); **Brian Brown** (**Paul Brown**'s nephew)—epilepsy; **Lauren Brown** (niece of **Paul Brown**)—heart; **Suzanne Brown**—arthritis; **Shelly Cates**—fibromyalgia; **T.J. Clarke** (former instructor at MSOP)—spinal injury; **Janet Daniel** (sister of **Melinda Haas**)—lupus; **Martha Clayton** (**Tabatha Clayton**'s mother-in-law)—congestive heart failure; **Ella Cobb**, granddaughter of the **Houses**—seizures; **Elizabeth Ferguson** (wife of former preacher here)—dementia; **Jimmy Ferguson** (former preacher here)—heart rhythm; **Melinda Haas**—Lyme Disease; **Cody Hadley**—Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever; **Kaylie Hadley**—UCTD; **Shelby Hadley**—facing mitral valve prolapse surgery between eight months and two years from now; **Paula Harrison**—Meniere's Disease; **Wanda Jackson**—a-fib; **Monica La Rock** (granddaughter of **Orelia Ferguson** and mother of **Noah**); **Savannah Leeton** (cousin of **Katie Brown**)—celiac disease; **Garrett Lentz** (son of a co-worker of **Cody Hadley**)—seizures; **Betty Mayes** (mother of **Brittany Buchanan**)—aneurisms and kidney problems; **Becky Munns** (**Tabatha Clayton**'s aunt)—heart problems, Crohn's Disease; **Shelby Peyton**—knee; **Mary Ray**—dizziness; **Brett Rutherford** (**Dan Cates**' friend)—MS; **Francis Wallace** (friend of **Mary Ray**); **Stephanie Vick**—Lyme Disease; and **Jerry Worthington** (neighbor of **Carl Hounshell**)—physical and emotional difficulties.

CANCER: **Paul Baldwin**—pancreatic; **Alicia Busby** (from the community); **Andy Cates** (**Dan Cates**’ brother)—CLL leukemia; **Tish Clarke** (wife of the MSOP director)—melanoma; **Gary Darnell** (**Ella Darnell**’s son)—leukemia as well as diabetes; **Hans Harms** (step-father of **Karen Tuttle**)—kidney; **David Jones** (**Shelly Cates**’ father)—DPLL leukemia; **Sara Kiestler** (an FHU student)—Hodgkin’s; **Wade Loggins** (member of congregation in Elkmont, AL); **Dorothy Mosher** (wife of an MSOP instructor); **Carol Ogelsby** (family of **Sonny Stewart** and the **Browns**)—stomach; **Priscilla Patterson** (mother of a friend of Dan Cates)—breast; **Tommy Pierce** (the **Browns**’ friend); **John Riley** (member of the church who lives in this community)—lung; **Laykan Rutherford** (cousin of **Shelly Cates**); **Dale van der Wood** (neighbor of **Carl Hounshell**)—lymphoma; and **Tabby Waters** (**Tabatha Clayton**’s sister-in-law)—leukemia.

SHUT-IN: Orelia Ferguson (home) and **Ruth House** (Lawayne House's mother who is at home).

SERVING: **Cameron Hadley** (Marines), now stationed locally; and **Jason House** (Marines), out west. Also, please continue to pray for **Kyle Embrey** (**Syble Embrey's** grandson—policeman) and all other military [especially who are going or remain abroad] and for all those in authority that we might live “quiet and peaceable” lives (1 Timothy 2:1,2).

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Sundays: 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 4:45 p.m. (pew-packers), 5 p.m.
Services: Sunday 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 4:45 p.m. (pew-packers), 5 p.m.
 Wednesday 7:15 p.m.

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Missions *[the latest reports from these works are on the bulletin board in the foyer]*

Kakinada, India [Providing Bibles and Overseeing Funds]

Memphis School of Preaching (Rafaele Barber and Tony Solaita)

Brown Trail School of Preaching (Spanish Department)

Tri-Cities School of Preaching (David B. Jones)

Four Seas Bible College, Singapore

Pablo Horna (Panama) [Overseeing funds]

Netcasters and Fishers of Men (Tim Wilkes, II)

Tennessee Children's Home, West

Justin and Megan Evergarden (Japan, 2026)

Save Asian Souls (Providing physical and spiritual aid)

Other one-time, domestic and overseas, mission efforts

“FREE”

Daniel F. Cates

And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.
(John 8:32)

"Freedom," "independence," "liberty": all words which thrill the soul that knows or has known captivity.

For the captivity of sin, this emancipation has been provided by Jesus and revealed through the Word of Truth (John 17:17). David understood how one could enjoy the liberty offered by God; he affirmed, "I will walk at liberty: for I seek thy precepts" (Psalm 119:45). If we will seek the Lord's precepts--to do them, then we, too, will walk at liberty, for "But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed" (James 1:25).

“That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ:” (Ephesians 4:14,15)

BIBLE QUESTION:

This week’s question: Paul told the Corinthians of the grace bestowed on what churches?
Last week’s question: Who had the power to take Jesus' life?
Last week’s answer: Only Jesus could “lay it down ... [and] take it again” (John 10:18)

SERMONS: A.M.: *“Tell Me the Story of Jesus,”* Part 35: “He Escaped out of Their Hand” (John 10:22-42).
P.M.: *As in a Foreign Land,* Part 6: Numbers.

DAILY BIBLE READING (July 7-13):

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.
	Isaiah 1-3	4-6	7-9	10-12	13-15	16-18	19-21
READ SCRIPTURE (JULY): Tony Solaita (John 10:37,38)							
(AUGUST): Rafaele Barber							
PRESIDE OVER LORD’S SUPPER (JULY): Dylan Cooper							
(AUGUST): Tony Solaita							
ASSIST ON LORD’S SUPPER (JULY): Gavin Arrington and Keegan Arrington							
(AUGUST): Ali’i Barber and Eryx Galeai							
CLEAN BUILDING (JULY): Melinda Haas and April Kinney							
(AUGUST): Thomas and Sheila Massey							
PREPARE COMMUNION (JULY): Tabatha Clayton							
(AUGUST): Kim Arrington							
UPCOMING SUNDAY NIGHT DEVOTIONAL SCHEDULE:							
July 6	Dan Cates			July 13	Dylan Cooper		
July 20	Jacob Kennedy			July 27	Cody Hadley		
UPCOMING SUNDAY NIGHT AND WEDNESDAY NIGHT SINGING ROTATION:							
Sun: July 6	Ali’i Barber			July 13	Cameron Hadley		
Wed: July 9	Carson Kinney			July 16	Ali’i Barber		
PANTRY NEEDS: Canned goods.							
UPCOMING EVENTS:							
This week (July 9-11)							
Wednesday night we will enjoy cake and ice cream after services to celebrate Ella Darnell’s 99th birthday (which will be Thursday).							
Nesbit Vacation Bible School at 7:00 nightly on My God Is So Big, So Strong, and So Mighty.							
July 19							
Youth day here at Independence. If you have items on the pews, you may take them with you next week. We have had a full house for each of our youth days and things can easily be moved and even lost.							
July 20							
Youth devotional after evening services.							
July 20-24							
Gospel meeting at Crockett with John Hall preaching.							

WELCOME VISITORS!

We are honored to have you with us today! Please take a few minutes and fill out an attendance card for us so that we can have a record of your attendance. Once you have filled out a card, please hand it to one of the members, or lay it onto the pew.