

INDEPENDENCE CHURCH OF CHRIST
JULY 12, 2026

SICK: Rachael Shankle will have an iron infusion within the next week or so. **Karen Tuttle** will have surgery on her arm on August 10th. **Patricia McClure's** nephew **Braden** had successful back surgery this past Monday. **Karen Tuttle's** grandson **Jace** has a cellulitis infection and is being treated with antibiotics. **Greg Shea**, missionary in Tasmania, will be having neck/spine surgery on the 13th.

PROTRACTED: Allene Baldwin—thyroid; Brandi Beavers—fibromyalgia; Scooter Birmingham (friend of Destiny Clayton); 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; Christy Farrow (cousin of Tabatha Clayton)—cystic fibrosis; 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; Jason House—chronic emesis; Scott Ingram (of GBN); Wanda Jackson—a-fib; Monica La Rock (granddaughter of the Fergusons); Garrett Lentz (son of a co-worker of Cody Hadley)—seizures; Brandon McNeil (son of Karen Tuttle)—alpha gal disease; 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); Bobby Stewart—retinal vein occlusion; Stephanie Vick—Lyme Disease; and Jerry Worthington (neighbor of Carl Hounshell)—physical and emotional difficulties.

CANCER: **Alicia Busby** (from the community); **Hugh Brewer** (**Bill Burford's** nephew)—bladder; **Elly Bowden** (infant child of a friend of **Kim Arrington**)—behind eyes; **Andy Cates** (**Dan Cates's** brother)—CLL leukemia; **Tish Clarke** (wife of the MSOP director)—melanoma; **Gary Darnell** (**Patricia McClure's** brother)—CLL leukemia as well as diabetes; **Robert Davis**—Stage 4 prostate; **Hans Harms** (step-father of **Karen Tuttle**)—kidney; **Jim Jackson** (elder at Coldwater)—colon; **David Jones** (**Shelly Cates's** 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 Oglesby** (family of the **Browns**)—stomach; **Dosson Omedeo** (1 year old from Looxahoma)—All B-Cell Acute leukemia; **Priscilla Patterson** (mother of a friend of Dan Cates)—breast; **Tommy Pierce** (the **Browns's** friend); **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: Mary Ruth Brown (home) and Ruth House (Lawayne House's mother who is at home).

SERVING: **Cameron Hadley** (Marines), now stationed locally; and **Jason House** (Marines), deployed in an undisclosed location. 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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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)

Brown Trail School of Preaching (Spanish Department)

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

Four Seas Bible College, Singapore

Bear Valley Bible Institute (Denver, CO)

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

"MORE NOBLE"
from *Meditations of My Heart*

"These were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so" (Acts 17:11)

What kind of preacher do you have? What kind do you want? Now turn that around. As your preacher preaches, what kind of listener are you? What kind do you think he wants?

Faithful preachers of the gospel want listeners like the Bereans. There was an eagerness ("*readiness of mind*") on their part as they listened to Paul's preaching. Then they made an examination of his preaching by comparing what he said with what their Bible said. When there is the faithful preaching of the gospel, and the favorable reception of the same, the results will be pleasing to everyone, especially to God.

"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: What word betrayed the Ephraimites?
Last week's question: In whose seat did the scribes and the Pharisees sit?
Last week's answer: Moses' (Matthew 23:2)

SERMONS: A.M.: *Rafaele Barber will preach this morning.*
P.M.: *As in a Foreign Land*, Part 9: Judges.

DAILY BIBLE READING (July 13-19):

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.
Isaiah	19-21	22-24	25-27	28-30	31-33	34-36	37-39
READ SCRIPTURE (JULY): Levi Howell (Please see Rafe)							
<i>(AUGUST): Cody Hadley</i>							
PRESIDE OVER LORD’S SUPPER (JULY): Stu Tuttle							
<i>(AUGUST): Jacob Kennedy</i>							
ASSIST ON LORD’S SUPPER (JULY): Gavin Arrington and Keegan Arrington							
<i>(AUGUST): Paul Brown and Conor Cates</i>							
CLEAN BUILDING (JULY): Suzanne Brown and Katie Brown							
<i>(AUGUST): Kim Arrington</i>							
PREPARE COMMUNION (JULY): Patricia McClure							
<i>(AUGUST): Shelly Cates and Maggie Cooper</i>							
UPCOMING SUNDAY NIGHT DEVOTIONAL SCHEDULE:							
<i>July 12</i>	<i>Rafaele Barber</i>			<i>July 19</i>	<i>Dylan Cooper</i>		
<i>July 26</i>	<i>Ali’i Barber</i>			<i>August 2</i>			
UPCOMING SUNDAY A.M. & P.M. & WEDNESDAY NIGHT SINGING ROTATION:							
<i>Sun A: July 12</i>	<i>Jacob Kennedy</i>			<i>July 19</i>			
<i>Sun P: July 12</i>	<i>Dan Cates</i>			<i>July 19</i>			
<i>Wed: July 15</i>	<i>Jacob Kennedy</i>			<i>July 22</i>			
PANTRY NEEDS: Canned goods.							
INDEPENDENCE YOUTH DAY T-SHIRTS: The t-shirts will cost around \$16 and are ready to be printed.							
UPCOMING EVENTS:							
July 15-17							
Vacation Bible School at Nesbit at 7:00 on Thursday and Friday nights. The theme is <i>Great Builders in the Bible</i> .							
July 18							
We will host our Youth Day on <i>The “I” in Modern Idolatry</i> . If you want to help provide food or serve in some capacity during the youth day, please let Shelly or Suzanne know.							
July 19							
Youth Devotional at the Cates’ house after evening services.							
August 8							
Patricia McClure will host a wedding shower for Katie Brown at the McClure’s house. It will start at 11:00 A.M. Katie is registered at Amazon, Mimi’s, and Target.							

WELCOME VISITORS!