

INDEPENDENCE CHURCH OF CHRIST
OCTOBER 26, 2025

PROTRACTED: Allene Baldwin—thyroid; 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); Savannah Leeton (cousin of Katie Brown)—celiac disease; 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); 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; Jill Curry (Carl Hounshell’s grandson, Adam Carlson's mother-in-law)—uterine; 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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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]	Pablo Horna (Panama) [Overseeing funds]
Memphis School of Preaching (Rafaele Barber and Tony Solaita)	Netcasters and Fishers of Men (Tim Wilkes, II)
Brown Trail School of Preaching (Spanish Department)	Tennessee Children’s Home, West
Tri-Cities School of Preaching (David B. Jones)	Justin and Megan Evergarden (Japan, 2026)
Four Seas Bible College, Singapore	Save Asian Souls (Providing physical and spiritual aid)
BearValley Bible Institute (Denver, CO)	Other one-time, domestic and overseas, mission efforts

"THE THINGS WHICH GOD HATH PREPARED"
from *Meditations of My Heart*

"But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him" (First Corinthians 2:9)

Often this passage is incorrectly cited as speaking of heaven. In context, this inspired Scripture refers to the Word of God.

How marvelous is the Holy Bible! Sixty-six books within the Old and New Testaments. Note a few amazing statistics: 1,189 chapters * 31,102 verses * Written by approximately 40 writers (from diverse backgrounds) over a span of almost 1,600 years.

In the Word of God, we learn of our origin, mission, and destiny. How astonishing to learn of Gods, His ways, attributes, and eternal qualities. May we ever "*hunger and thirst*" for the truths of God (Matthew 5:6).

“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: After Jesus had spoken to Zacchaeus, what were the people expecting of the kingdom?
Last week’s question: How old was Joshua when he died?
Last week’s answer: 110 years old (Joshua 24:29)

SERMONS: A.M.: *"Tell Me the Story of Jesus,"* Part 43: "Lord, He Hath Ten Pounds" (Luke 19:11-27).

P.M.: *As in a Foreign Land*, Part 8: Joshua.

DAILY BIBLE READING (October 20-26):

Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.
Mark	14-16					
Luke	1-3	4-6	7-9	10-13	14-17	18-21

READ SCRIPTURE (OCTOBER): **Conor Cates (Luke 19:24-27)**
(NOVEMBER): *Thomas Massey*

PRESIDE OVER LORD’S SUPPER (OCTOBER): **Carl Hounshell**
(NOVEMBER): *Cameron Hadley*

ASSIST ON LORD’S SUPPER (OCTOBER): **Wesley Haas and Carson Kinney**
(NOVEMBER): *Keegan Arrington and Paul Brown*

CLEAN BUILDING (OCTOBER): **Tabatha Clayton**
(NOVEMBER): *Melinda Haas and April Kinney*

PREPARE COMMUNION (OCTOBER): **Suzanne and Katie Brown**
(NOVEMBER): *Maggie Cooper, Shelby Hadley, and Reese Kinney*

UPCOMING SUNDAY NIGHT DEVOTIONAL SCHEDULE:

<i>October 26</i>	<i>Carson Kinney</i>	<i>November 2</i>	<i>Rafaele Barber</i>
<i>November 9</i>	<i>Tony Solaita</i>	<i>November 16</i>	<i>Dan Cates</i>

UPCOMING SUNDAY A.M. & P.M. & WEDNESDAY NIGHT SINGING ROTATION:

<i>Sun A: October 26</i>	<i>Cameron Hadley</i>	<i>November 2</i>	<i>Carson Kinney</i>
<i>Sun P: October 26</i>	<i>Dylan Cooper</i>	<i>November 2</i>	<i>Cody Hadley</i>
<i>Wed: October 29</i>	<i>Thomas Massey</i>	<i>November 5</i>	<i>Keegan Arrington</i>

PANTRY NEEDS: The Tennessee Children’s Home truck will be here November 4th; a list of their needs is in the foyer.

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS:

Shelly Cates	November 9	Tabatha Clayton	November 11
Hunter Clayton	November 15	Ali’i Barber	November 16
Mario Arrington	November 23	Karen Tuttle	November 23
Mark Peyton	November 25		

UPCOMING EVENTS:
This week (October 26-29)

Gospel meeting at Coldwater on *God’s Harvest*. There will be various speakers through the meeting. Times include 12:30 this afternoon and 7:00 Monday (Brandon Blackwell) and Tuesday (Tim Burroughs) and Wednesday (Blake Haas) nights.

November 4
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WELCOME VISITORS!