

Prayer Requests

Jeanette Gregg – John passed away on 7/15
Ann Skates – in Erlanger with serious medical issues
Charlotte Wilson – at Siskin Rehabilitation Hosp. / room 267
Family of Laura Crawley – Laura passed away on 7/25
Judi Cagle – has completed the radiation treatments
Susan Crownover – dealing with some health issues
Cheryl Judd – has not been feeling well

Karen Arthur – upcoming knee surgery Aug. 25th
Ann Benefield – dealing with heart issues
Joseph Fancher – upcoming surgery Aug. 22nd
Sug and Amy Childers – Ray’s health is declining
Mary Stewart – undergoing chemo treatments
Frank Caruthers – long term health issues

Upcoming Events

Ooltewah Summer Series

Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.
during the month of August

Teen Singing

August 13th at 2:30 p.m.
Riverbend Church of Christ

Men’s Breakfast/Business Meeting

August 5th at 9:00 a.m.
Breakfast being prepared by the deacons

EDPT Meeting

July 30th at 4:30 p.m.

Ladies Class

August 12th at 10:00 a.m.
Lesson 4 in the Miracles book
The Man At The Pool
Class will be taught by Anne McGhee

**ATTN YOUTH.....Registration for RUSH 2023 is now live. Head to <https://www.fhu.edu/rush/registernow>
For more information please see Denny Howell.**

ATTN YOUTH.....L2L 2024 Kickoff Lunch, August 6th. If you’re interested, please sign up in the foyer.

Attendance 7/16 & 7/19

Sunday Bible School – 143 Sunday AM Worship – 195 Sunday PM Worship – 93 Wednesday – 113

**“And as they came out, they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name: him they compelled to bear his cross”
(Mt 27:32).**

Have you ever asked someone to do something for you and could tell immediately they did not want to do it though they accepted the task? Their countenance immediately changed as they grimacingly say, “Yes.”

The grammar of our text indicates that Simon absolutely did not want to bear the cross of Christ. That cross, a punishment reserved for slaves, pirates, and enemies of the state, was the most humiliating and heinous way to die. Who in their right mind would “choose” to bear the cross, especially for One who was an enemy of the Jewish and Roman states?

Often even Christians struggle with bearing the cross; however, if we truly desire to be with Christ at the consummation of all things (Mt 10:38), we MUST bear His cross, which really becomes our cross (Lk 9:23). Christians should NEVER feel “compelled” to bear the cross, because in the cross we share the glories of the sufferings of our Lord (Gal 6:14; Phil 3:10) and manifest a hope that we will be with Him throughout the ceaseless ages of eternity (Rev 2:10)!

Eric D. Garner

Ooltewah Church of Christ



July 30, 2023

MEETING TIMES

Bible Study.....9:30 A.M.
 Morning Worship.....10:30 A.M.
 Evening Worship.....6:00 P.M.
 Wednesday.....7:00 P.M.

Elders

Steve Edwards J.J. Winston Larry Judd
 Dan Garey Jason Parscale Winston Stringfield

Deacons

Steve Jackson / Missions Josh Rider / Education
 David Wheeler / Technology Matthew Rider / Youth
 James McGhee / Benevolence Ken Parker / Worship
 David Sessions / Fellowship Chris Martin / Security

Preachers / Denny Howell and Eric D. Garner

Treasurer / Ty McGee

Supported Mission Work

*World Bible School *Cusco / Peru – Ryan Davis
 *Good News Today *Philippines / Casa Esperanza
 *Louis Rushmore *Gospel Broadcasting Network
 *In Search of the Lord’s Way *Ethical Media
 *Ronald McDonald House *International Gospel Hour
 *Greater Chattanooga Christian Services
 *Southeast Institute of Biblical Studies *Dennis Bello

God’s Plan for Man’s Salvation

- The Gospel Must Be Heard
Romans 10:17 John 8:32
- The Gospel Must Be Believed
John 8:24 Mark 16:16
- Sins Must Be Repented Of
Luke 13:3,5 Acts 2:38
- Christ Must Be Confessed
Matt. 10:32-33 Romans 10:10
- Baptism For Remission Of
Sins Acts 2:38 I Peter 3:21
- Live Faithful Until Death
Revelation 2:10

Service Opportunities

A.M.	P.M.
Announcements.....Dan Garey	Announcements.....Dan Garey
Opening Prayer.....Bill Floyd	Opening Prayer.....Tim Arthur
Lead Singing.....Jason Gephart	Lead Singing.....Jason Gephart
Lord’s Supper.....James McGhee	Read Scripture.....Charlie Shepherd
Serve.....Jim Sauls Jack Coffelt	Sermon.....Denny Howell
Serve.....Danny Warren Frank Betts	Lord’s Supper.....Tim Oldham
Serve...Steve Jackson Lynn Carson	Closing Prayer.....David Crownover
Read Scripture.....Josh Rider	
Sermon.....Eric Garner	
Closing Prayer.....Larry Casteel	

Usher / Security – all month
 Daniel Ramsey

WEDNESDAY

Announcements.....Steve Edwards
 Opening Prayer.....J.J. Winston
 Lead Singing.....Roger Gilbert
 Invitation.....Gary Massey
 Closing Prayer.....Lynn Carson

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