

Prayer Requests

Don Mathis – Judi Cagle’s brother, knee replacement

Houston Marshall – diagnosed with ALS

Marva Forsythe – recovering from a recent fall

Dennis Howell – continues to recover at home

Candee Parton – recovering from surgery

Charlotte & Melvin Wilson – dealing with health issues

Glenda Blair – recovering from pneumonia

Janice Brown – recovering from knee surgery

Cheryl Judd – recovering from illness

Stormy Durkin – worsening kidney issues

Ann Benefield – with health issues

Mary Stewart – continues to undergo treatments

Shelly Pickel – heart issues

Please send prayer request updates, deletions and additions to: OoltewahChurchofChrist@epbf.com

Upcoming Events

Gospel Meeting

Benton Church of Christ
Nov. 5th – 8th

Friendsgiving / hosted by the Ladies Class

Nov. 11th at 11:30 a.m. All ladies are invited.
please bring your favorite dessert or finger food

Ladies Night Out

Tuesday, Nov. 14th at 6:00 p.m.
at the home of Maria Sessions

Thanksgiving Singing

Ft. Oglethorpe Church of Christ
Friday, November 17th 7:00 p.m.

Teen Singing

Taft Highway Church of Christ
Sunday, Nov. 12th at 2:30 p.m.

Mountain Oaks Tea Party

Saturday, December 2nd at noon
Ladies, please see the sign up sheet.

Middlers Holiday Party

December 9th more details to come

Congregation Holiday Party

December 16th at 6:00 p.m.

Thank you to everyone that donated coats and socks in the last few weeks. We are now going to shift our focus from collecting coats and socks to collecting nonperishable food items for the Chattanooga Inner City Outreach. If you have any questions, please contact Laura Cupp.

Attendance 10/29 and 11/1

Sunday Bible School - 139 Sunday AM Worship - 198 Sunday PM Worship – 98 Wednesday - 132

“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 changes as they, with a grimace, 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



November 5, 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.

Announcements.....Tim Oldham
 Opening Prayer.....Garret Wyman
 Lead Singing.....Roger Gilbert
 Lord’s Supper.....Dan Garey

Serving

Jim Sauls Jack Coffelt
 Danny Warren Andrew Kail
 Frank Betts Steve Jackson
 Read Scripture.....Seth Coley
 Sermon.....Denny Howell
 Closing Prayer.....J.J. Winston

Usher / Security – all month

James McGhee

Lee Maiser

1:30 P.M.

Announcements.....Tim Oldham
 Opening Prayer.....Tim Arthur
 Lead Singing.....Roger Gilbert
 Read Scripture.....Ty McGee
 Sermon.....Phil Sanders
 Lord’s Supper.....David Sessions
 Closing Prayer.....Manny Crochet

WEDNESDAY

Announcements.....Tim Oldham
 Opening Prayer.....Daniel Ramsey
 Lead Singing.....Roger Gilbert
 Invitation.....Steve Edwards
 Closing Prayer.....Bill Floyd

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