

## SUNDAY NEWS

MAY 28, 2017

**Elders**

Gregg Woodall  
 Tony Williams  
 Tony Turner  
 Dave Benner  
 Terry Clark  
 Gary Woodall

**May Servant Elder**

Dave Benner

**Ministers**

Steve Higginbotham  
 Justin Morton

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Michael Albert  
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 Lance Champion  
 Rick Compton  
 Chris Cox  
 Dan Dresser  
 Ben Griffith  
 Walt Hillis  
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 Gentry Jackson  
 Bill Leeth  
 Chris Pegg  
 Dustin Roberts  
 Don Scott  
 John Seibel  
 Steve Smith  
 Jeff Snyder  
 Dale Tanner  
 Daniel Tanner  
 Lee Toothman

**Grateful or Not?**

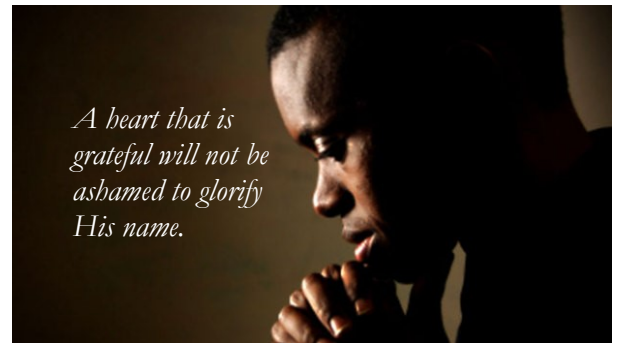
By Tony Williams, for the elders

In Luke 17:11-19, we have an account of ten men who were afflicted with the dreadful disease of leprosy. When Jesus passed by and came near to them, they began to cry out to Jesus for mercy. When he saw them, he said, *Go show yourselves to the priests. And it came to pass that, as they went, they were cleansed.*

When we think of leprosy and the terrible pain and affliction accompanying the disease, we cringe even today. We would naturally think that someone healed of the terrible disease would indeed be grateful. But as we read of these ten men, we find only one returned to give thanks to the Lord: *So Jesus answered and said, "Were there not ten cleansed? But where are the nine? Were there not any found who returned to give glory to God except this foreigner?"* (Luke 17:17-18). This is one of the saddest questions Jesus asked during His time on the earth.

Today, we stand amazed at the ingratitude of those nine men, but if we only take the time to think about it we would be amazed no longer. The history of the human race is a history of ingratitude. The Lord has always bestowed multiple blessings on man, but man has not always been grateful for them. Consider the blessings of nature God gives freely to all: the singing of birds, the sunshine and the showers, and (in my opinion) we are especially blessed in East Tennessee by the marvelous mountain landscapes. Do we find the human race thanking and praising God for these daily blessings? No. A few folks remember to thank the Lord for material blessings, but for the most part we find the opposite. If the weather is a little too dry, we will hear a grumble, and if it is a little wet, we hear the same.

In the spiritual realm, there are far, far too many blessings to be thankful for to even begin listing them in this short article. As Christians, we are aware of the greatest blessing of God's Son. A heart that is grateful will not be ashamed to glorify His name. May the question never be asked of us, "Where are the nine?"



## Today

- **Deadline for teens to sign up** for Summer Celebration.

## Monday, May 29

- **Young at Heart Dinner & Memorial Day Concert**—See adjacent column for details.

## Tuesday, May 30

- **Summer Celebration & Cookout** for teens and their families at 5:30 p.m. See adjacent column for more information.

## Sunday, June 4

- **Summer Bible Quarter begins—Pre-K and K-12** class promotions will be the first Sunday in September.
- **Autumn Care Devo** at 1 p.m.
- **Bridal Shower for Caitlin Anderson** at 4 p.m. in the small fellowship room. See adjacent column.
- **Leadership Camp** begins and continues through next Sunday.
- **Deadline to sign up** for “Ark Encounter” trip. See the church family board (now open to the entire congregation).

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## Wednesday Meals Return June 7th

The fellowship meals on Wednesdays will begin at 5:30 p.m. and conclude at 6:15 p.m. sharp. If you would like to host one, here’s what you need to do and know:

- Put together a team and choose a simple menu.
- Sign up on the family board.
- The church will cover the cost of food.
- The Benners will help you purchase food and answer any questions you may have.

## Young at Heart Dinner & Concert

Tomorrow, May 29th, the Young at Heart group will enjoy a **free concert** by the Oak Ridge Community Band at Bissell Park in Oak Ridge. First, you will have dinner at Deans restaurant at 5 p.m. and the concert starts at 7 p.m. See John Hoffarth if you have any questions about this event. There’s still time to sign up or let John know that you’d like to go.

## “Ark” Trip Open to Congregation

The “Ark Encounter” trip has now been opened up to the entire congregation. The sign-up sheet has been moved to the church family board and the deadline to sign up is Sunday, June 4th. The trip will take place Saturday, June 17th. We will likely charter a bus. See the sign-up sheet for ticket prices and other details.

## Summer Celebration/Cookout

Teens and their families will be getting together for a cookout at Victor Ashe Park Shelter this **Tuesday, May 30th at 5:30 p.m.** Sign up on the youth board and indicate what you will be bringing (sides, chips, buns, drinks, desserts and condiments) and how many family members are coming.

## Bridal Shower Next Sunday

We will have a shower for **Caitlin Anderson** (bride-elect of Bryan Smith) on Sunday, June 4th at 4 p.m. in the small fellowship room. She is registered at Bed, Bath & Beyond. Teresa Clark and Donna Woodall are collecting for a large gift.

## TN Children’s Home Pantry Donations

We are again collecting donations to restock the East campus of TN Children’s Home. **There are lists of needed items on the table in the foyer.**

Please bring your donations to the office side of the church building and leave them on the “pew” in front of the church office. Thank you for your help and support!



## Sympathy

**Harold Feather** (father of Sue Benner) passed away at the age of 91 this past Tuesday. Services were yesterday in Martinsburg, PA.

Remember Sue & Dave and family as they grieve and travel.

## Prayer List

**Gary Teague** was released from Parkwest on Tuesday.

**G.C. Robinson** learned that the cancer is in his lungs. He is continuing treatment and showing a little improvement. **Mattie Lou** is improving a little as well.

**Steve Martin** has been struggling with pneumonia and is being treated at home.

## Congratulations & Prayers

Congratulations to parents Jeremy & Kristin Parks and great grandparents, Carrol and Annette Street. Twins Jonathan Bentley and Brooklyn Beth Parks were born May 24<sup>th</sup> and weighed 3.4 lb and 3.7 lb respectively. Though premature, they are doing well, but prayers are needed.

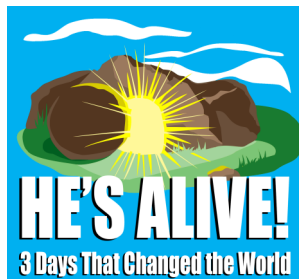
## Continue to Pray For:

Helen Caldwell, Margaret Cagle, Ron Dugger, Carolyn Ford, Jim Gill, Bettye Hawkins, Gary & Bonnie Henderson, Polly Huber, Chris Kelsey, Gabe Martin, Steve Martin, James & Beverly Meadows, Gene Molchan, G. C. & Mattie Lou Robinson, Rosemary Spivey, Jean Thomas, Don & Ann Wagner.

## VBS—June 25-28

As it is every year, our “homegrown” VBS is one of the highlights of the summer and lots of help is needed.

- Sign up to bring cookies (no peanuts/peanut butter) or small pretzels.
- Set up and serve during snack time.
- Work as class “keepers.”
- Help decorate the building.
- Assist in the game room, puppets room, crafts room, story room or with skits.
- See Justin Morton ASAP if you are willing and able to help.



## Welcome New Members:

- **Gary & Christina Lewis** and children, **Preston and Amber**  
5704 Dogwood Rd., Knoxville, 37918
- **Tim & Miranda Hann**  
7932 Oak Ridge Hwy., Knoxville, 37931  
(Tim) 614-989-3603  
(Miranda) 828-331-8008
- **Joshua & Victoria Grizzell**  
and son **Johnathan**  
2100 Wilson Rd., Apt. 823, Knoxville, TN 37912  
(Josh) 404-468-5653  
(Victoria) 770-899-7294

Email addresses are in the online directory.

## Moved

**Horatio, Beth and Winston Bonds** have moved. The new address is 1537 Crestway Ave., Athens, TN 37303. We will miss them!

## Attention TCC Campers/Parents!

The church will pay for each Karns child to attend one week at Teenage Christian Camp. The early bird deadline to register for a reduced fee is **June 7th**. If you do not register your child by June 7th, the church can only pay a percentage of your fee and **you will be responsible for paying the \$25 late charge**. See Sherrye Woodall or Justin Morton for the code to enter when registering.

## Meals For Our Shut-Ins Continue

Check the family board for the TLC sheet each week and sign up to help each Tuesday. All help is greatly appreciated.

## Parents, Teachers, Kids:

Remember, class promotions for Pre-K and Grades K-12 will take place on the **first Sunday of September** and not in June.

# Sunday News

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## Morning

Song Leader: Darren McCoy

Song: Sing to Me of Heaven, 595

Prayer for the Sick: Gregg Woodall

Reading: Darrell Collins (I Chron. 16:8-11)

Song: O Listen to the Wondrous Story, 501

Song: Why Did My Savior Come to Earth?  
330

Presider: John Hoffarth

Communion and Collection

*(Attendance cards collected during next song)*

Song: The Church's One Foundation, 641

Prayer: Nathan Watkins

Sermon: Steve Higginbotham

Song: There's a Great Day Coming, 923

Song: Sweet By and By, 798

Prayer: Eric Cutrer

Announcements: Lance Champion

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## Sound/Video:

Ben Woodall

Gentry Jackson

## Camera

Daniel Cheatham

## Welcome Center:

Jeff Snyder

Candy Snyder

## Evening

Welcome & Reading: Lance Champion  
(Rev. 4:8-11)

Song Leader: Jonathan Huddleston

Song: Sing On, Ye Joyful Pilgrims, 597

Prayer: Connor Boyer

Song: Work, for the Night Is Coming, 915

*(Attendance cards collected during next song)*

Song: Wonderful Grace of Jesus, 102

Sermon: Steve Higginbotham

Song: Who Will Follow Jesus? 994

Song: Hear, O Israel, 776

Song: True-Hearted, Whole-Hearted, 726

Prayer: Don Denton

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## Nursery:

Deanna Williams

Maggie Williams

Valerie Sampson

## May Attendance Cards:

Evan Alsup

Elijah McCarver

Jefferson Collins

Parker Elliott

## Wednesday, May 31

Announcements: Larry Covington

Song Leader: Steve Aragon

Speaker: Roy Lanier

Prayer: Jeremy Stiles

Door 6 Usher: Jonathan Woodall

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Office Hours: 8 am—4 pm

(Monday—Friday)

## Times of Services:

Sun. Bible Study: 9 am

Sun. Worship: 10 am, 6 pm

Wed. Bible Study: 7 pm

## 2017 Statistics

**Sunday, May 21, 2017**

Attendance: 413

Contribution: \$13,773

Average: 16,633

Budget: \$17,000

Placed membership: 24

Baptisms: 7

Responses: 33

## Our Goal

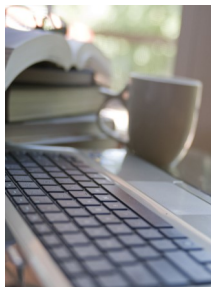
*To be transformed by God by*

*Reflecting the life of Jesus,*

*Giving hope to the lost,*

*Growing as a family,*

*Bound together by the cross.*



## Online Resources Available

- Our services are broadcast live at [www.youtube.com/user/karnscoc](http://www.youtube.com/user/karnscoc).
- Archives of our video sermons: [vimeo.com/channels/karnschurch](http://vimeo.com/channels/karnschurch).
- Our website ([karnschurch.org](http://karnschurch.org)) contains many Bible articles and sermon outlines.
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