



News and Announcements

We received building fund contributions this week in Memory of Bill Valentine and Al Behel. We are thankful for their faithful service to the Lord and for the generous donations .

Ladies we have a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in front of the nursery for volunteers who can help prepare communion. Also we need nursery attendants and Food contact for the month of January 2023.

Contacts For December

Elder Contacts

Mark Haynes
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731-608-4148

Food Assistance

Elora Crabtree
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Rita Garrett

Church Building

Loan Balance
\$526,206.30

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Sunday BULLETIN

Great Smoky Mountains Church of Christ

Service Times:

Sunday School.....9:30 a.m.

Sunday Morning.....10:30a.m.

Sunday Night.....6:00 p.m.

Wednesday Evening.....7:00 p.m.



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Family and Friends Prayer Requests:

Heath Tolliver will have a CT scan on Monday to see if the chemo is working. They will find out the results on Tuesday at the consult before the next chemo treatment.

Please continue to fervently pray for Heath, Melanie and George that this treatment is working.

We rejoice that Leif Kihlberg's eyes are improving after surgery last week, nurse Tracey reports!) We continue to ask God for healing.

Prayers for Tina and Howard Yates as they tested positive for covid.

Last week Marc and Sue Hayes' grandson Treavor, and his mother, Kelly, were at St. Jude's for an MRI testing of his inoperable tumor pressing on his visual nerve.. His parents have opted to continue with his weekly chemo treatments for another year as the MRI shows the brain tumor is stabilized. We thank God for this report & continue to keep them in our prayers.

Jeanette Dyer is closer to moving to Florida as her friend from Punta Gorda loaded his truck with her boxes last Tuesday. He will return later for furniture and will need some help from our men. We praise the Father for such provision. Meanwhile, her friends, June and Larry Waldron, have offered her a place to stay until she moves.

"The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective" (James 5:16).

FROM THE WORD

WORTH WHAT YOU HAVE

Some folks think they are worth a lot of money because they have it. Some think they deserve attention because they get a lot of it. You know people who think they're religious because they "got religion."

Matthew left everything behind, rose up and began to follow Jesus, we see in Luke 5:27-29.

He then gave a huge reception for Jesus at his house and a great crowd came. How could he still have a house and funds enough to give a feast if he had left everything? Now everything was dedicated to God and His glory. He was now worth everything he had because he'd become a partner with God.

Simon the sorcerer in Acts 8 was getting loads of attention through his magic. It became a way of life. Simon began imagining it was he, not the magic, that warranted the fame. So he asked the apostles for the miraculous power of the Holy Spirit so he could expand his reputation. He believed he deserved the attraction. Peter advised his prayer for forgiveness of his intention. Simon finally requested that the apostles pray for him. He would then be worthy of attention. We get and deserve God's attention only when we empty ourselves and desire that all fame and glory be His.

What about those who feel religious because they "got religion"? The Athenians were very religious, but about the wrong religion (Acts 17:22). I can be too. A mile of religion without an inch of salvation in it is worthless. My worship and service must be toward the Lord of heaven and earth, centered in the perfect law (James 1:25). It is benevolent and unspotted by the world (James 1:27).

Then my religion is priceless and worthy.

Danny Cline