

**UPCOMING EVENTS
&
ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Sunday
BULLETIN

Great Smoky Mountains
Church of Christ

We enjoyed eating together last Lord's Day and look forward to October 2nd, our regular first Sunday fellowship luncheon following morning worship service.

Celebration of Life for Rick Cliett, a former elder, will be Saturday, October 1 at 10:30 am at the church building. Everyone is welcome.

Tuesday Ladies Bible class will resume at the building on September 20th , at 10:00 a.m. "O To Be Like Thee", is our theme.

TN Children's Home Fall Food and Supply Drive Now - 9/20
For those wishing to donate food, bring your non-perishable donation to the church. Place items in bin in the foyer. See Brenda Fussell with any questions.



9/18/2022

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Church Building Loan
Balance
\$576,096.19
Additional contributions
to building fund
are appreciated.

**Contacts for
September**

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday Bible Study 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.

3078 Veterans Blvd. Pigeon Forge, TN 37863
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FAMILY & FRIENDS PRAYER REQUESTS

We are thankful Marci Lachica has returned from her four months in the Philippines visiting with her family. Many prayers have been answered.

We beseech God for the family of Frances Copeland who passed away last week in Tampa with a brain bleed.

Lynette Helton, is doing much better after covid and hopes to go to Indiana this week to see family. Thank you for all the prayers.

Tina Yates shares that her twin son Kenny's tests came back good but Denny will probably have to have a stint in the front artery of the heart after he has the neck procedure this month. Please continue to petition the Father on their behalf. We also continue intercession for our Howard who seems to be improving some with his new medicine.

We rejoice with Esther and Skip who received news that the surgery on his neck was benign. They went to Charleston, S.C. for his Navy Ship reunion.

Treavor Hayes, eight year old grandson of Sue and Marc, was in Memphis this past week for his eye check up. They think his vision is slightly better and noticed that he holds his head up higher, a good sign. We continue our pleas to God for him.

Ronnie Pitt, Tracey Kihlberg's father, had a cat scan last week, he will need surgery to remove five cancer spots on his head, Please keep him your prayers.

Please keep Leif Kihlberg in your prayers as he has travelled to Sweden for the funeral of his sister, Eva-Karin.

Tom and Brenda Fussell's 19 month old grand-daughter, Evie, is to have eye surgery this Friday, September 23. Thank you for your requests to God on her behalf.

Jeanette Dyer did not have her surgery last Saturday and needs our supplications to the Great Physician for her and her grandson, Eric.

We remain prayerful for Brian Crabtree's nephew, Jesse.

Please continue to pray for our missionaries Raja and his father in India; Irma and her husband in Honduras.

Continue to pray for Leah's friend, Randall Allen; Anna Ruth Franklin, June McGowen, and our young people.



ON APPROVAL

While growing up, almost 100% of everything our family bought came from the Tennessee Copper Company Store in Copperhill, Tennessee.

I still have fond recollections of taking a shirt or sweater home from the store to be determined if we kept it or not. Written across the bill would be the words "On Approval."

Ultimately purchase would not be made until Mother or Daddy gave final consent. Many items were returned because they didn't receive "approval."

Final approval yet remains in the keeping of the Heavenly Father.

Though I have been purchased by the blood of Christ (Matthew 20:28), acceptance into the eternal home in heaven must be finally approved.

"...give diligence to make your calling and election sure; for if you do these things (adding the "Christian graces," verses 5-8) you shall never fall;

"For in this way there will be richly provided for you an entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ."
II Peter 1:10,11

We await final redemption; a "down payment" has been placed. "...after you believed, you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise, Who is the earnest (down payment) of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, to the praise of His glory." Ephesians 1:13,14

"For the kingdom of God is...righteousness and peace, and joy in the Holy Spirit. Whoever thus serves Christ is acceptable to God and approved by men."
Romans 14:17,18

I joy in the apostles' description of "Apelles, approved in Christ." Romans 16:10

"For it is not the one who commends himself who is approved, but the one whom the Lord commends." II Corinthians 10:18

"Do your best to show yourself approved by God..." II Timothy 2:15

Danny Cline