



PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Ill at Home & Recovering: Pat Anderson; Kayla Arnold; Tommy Ashworth; Joe & Merri Bolden; Hagan Bowen; Jennifer Byington; Joel & Rhea Calloway; Barbara Carr; Aaron Carroll; Kathy Carver; Dana Caywood; Ricky Copas; Regina Estepp; Toni Gibson; Karen Gilmore; Ruth Gott; Mark Herndon; Daniel & Titan Horne; Susan Hudson; Grant & Nancy Lawson; Jessica McMurray; Patty Melton; Susan Owenby; Evangeline Roberts; Kelly Robinson; Barbara Smith; Christine Smith; Jean Spivey; Robert Walls; Wilma Washington; Daphine Winegar; Tommy Wood

Chronic Illness: Marlene Allen; Patsy Cumbow; Tony & Linda England; Vonda Gardner; Eddie & Linda McDavid; Billie Orrick; Betty Sproles; Opal Vaughn

Hospital/Nursing Home/Assisted Living/Rehab: Ron Edwards (Asbury Place); Wayne Harr (Bristol); Charlotte Lemons (Wexford House); Susie Coates (Holston Valley ????)

Non-Medical Prayer Needs: The LOST; BS2; Bob & Celeste Gailey; Our Country, Our Schools; George Kasibante & Uganda Orphange, All the Fires



GIVING SUMMARY FOR MARCH 2025		
DATE	UNDESIGNATED	SAVINGS
3/2/2025	\$12,504.00	\$500.00
3/9/2025	\$ 4,796.40	\$401.30
3/16/2025	\$ 5,856.00	\$ 0.00
3/23/2025		
3/30/2025		
TITHELY	\$ 966.20	
TOTAL	\$24,122.60	\$901.30
WEEKLY REQUIREMENT	\$7,026.67	

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SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE

9:15 AM Sunday School

10:30 AM Morning Worship (Sanctuary)



TUESDAY SCHEDULE

12:00 Noon Sr. Adult Bible Study & Lunch (CH)

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SCHEDULE

6:00 PM Adult Prayer Meeting (CH)

Konnect Kidz & CBC Youth Activities

7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal – Nursery provided

The **Church Workday** is being moved from **4/5/25** to **4/12/25** from **8:00 AM until Noon**. Projects include cleaning, painting, landscaping, etc. (based on the skills of those who come). Look for the signup sheets in the vestibule and up front as you enter and leave the sanctuary



SPRINGING INTO SPRING

Spring is doing its best to come forward, but as is usually the case in East Tennessee, winter won’t release its grip without a struggle. It’s a good time to get back to church if you haven’t been regular in attendance. I’m excited about what it to come.

I’m also excited by what has been. Last Sunday, we took part in the International Day of Evangelism, as the pastors of churches all over the world preached on John 3:16 on 3/16. We were blessed with what looked like our largest attendance of the year, and two people came forward for baptism. I am in an SBC Pastors’ group online, and I was surprised by some of the reactions to the call to preach John 3:16 on 3/16. Some of the pastors said that they wouldn’t do it because they were in a series. Others said that they wouldn’t do it because “nobody is going to tell me what to preach.” OK, then. My feeling was that something that is going on nationwide and worldwide, that is being lifted up in prayer by believers all over the world, that’s something I want to be a part of. Initial reports coming out about the results of the 3:16 on 3/16 emphasis show that many churches, just like ours, had 2-3 professions of faith that day. Multiply that by thousands of churches, and 3/16 represents a great harvest of souls for the Kingdom. Future pastors, deacons, Sunday School teachers, missionaries, church and denominational staff and seminary professors were no doubt born again through the prayers and efforts put forth last Sunday.

Why did God pour our His Spirit so strongly in conviction on that day? Because we asked Him to! Believers all over the world were lifting up that day and that message to God as we headed toward that day. There is a lesson for us there. Our prayers should not just be directed toward special days (like Easter on 4/20), but toward every time we gather together for worship.

Have you lifted up this coming Sunday’s worship service in prayer? Have you prayed for the clear communication of the Word? Have you prayed for the Lord to begin bringing people and circumstances into the lives of the lost who will be here Sunday to prepare them to make a decision for Christ? Have

you prayed that the Holy Spirit will bring conviction to their hearts in the days leading up to Sunday, and that He will pour out that conviction powerfully when they come onto the church campus, when they hear the Word proclaimed, and when the invitation is given? Go ahead. Do it now.

This Sunday, I will be starting a four-part message from Acts 18 on the subject of Discouragement. It is a relevant message, in that I’ve never known anyone who hasn’t been discouraged at some point along their journey. Some have been so discouraged that they quit - quit on God, quit on church, quit on a ministry, quit on a job, quit on a marriage. If they had just known how to encourage themselves in the Lord, they might still be in the fight as soldiers of the Kingdom. That four-part message will take us to Easter Sunday, April 20. We will have an Easter Egg Hunt for the kids on April 19 (more details upcoming). On April 27, we’re hoping to have a special Spring Sing Service, declaring the Word through music.

Be here Sunday. Pray for the service leading up to Sunday. Come with expectancy about what the Lord is going to do. Numbers 6:24-26,

Bro. Donnie

FYI – The church secretary is in the process of working with the Postal Service to make required changes to the church newsletter mailout account. This is a tedious task and we are at the mercy of the post office to make these changes in a timely manner. We are striving for a completion date of early April. In the meantime, newsletters will be sent via email and printed copies will be available as well. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Please contact the church secretary (Shirley Sullivan) at cbcofkptoffice@gmail.com or by calling 423-245-9157 should you have an update to the current prayer sheet, if your email address and/or home or cell phone number changes, or maybe you’re working on a church project and need some clerical help.



ANNIE ARMSTRONG

In 1888, Annie Armstrong led the creation of the Woman's Missionary Union (WMU), helping draft the constitution and serving as its first correspondent secretary (a position that functioned as executive director).

In her role as the head of the organization, Annie Armstrong facilitated communication between denominational leaders, local congregations and missionaries on the field. She was an extensive letter writer, writing by hand and later by typewriter. In one year alone she wrote 18,000 letters.

During her tenure as head of the WMU, Armstrong refused a salary and traveled extensively at her own expense on behalf of the WMU. Annie was a tireless advocate for missionaries rallying the churches to support mission work through prayer and sacrificial giving. She personally visited missionaries serving throughout the U.S. and carried their stories back to the churches and state conventions through her eyewitness accounts and by circulating their letters. It was due to the efforts of Annie and the women of WMU that the annual Easter mission offering was established in the Southern Baptist Churches in 1895.

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In **April**, we will begin our **yearly collection of money** for the **Annie Armstrong Easter Offering**. Please **PRAY** and **GIVE** as **God leads your heart**.

On **Saturday, April 19th**, there will be a **community Easter Egg hunt/field day type fun day**. Be watching for more details as plans are being finalized.

