

## MARCH BIRTHDAYS

(3) BEN McCOY  
(3) REBEKAH EIDSON  
(4) HAZEL ELISABETH LAND  
(9) TAM McCLAIN  
(12) KENNEDEE DIXON  
(15) DARLA WITT  
(17) CAROLINE DANLEY  
(17) GARRETT BROCK  
(21) CHASSIE BROCK  
(23) SUSAN BURDETTE  
(24) CAMERON CRABTREE  
(24) COLE CRABTREE  
(28) ANITA ROSS  
(29) EDDIE HOBBS  
(29) UNA DeBORD

## MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

(2) TERRY MATTHEW AND STEPHANIE BRAGG	(1 yr.)
(3) QUAY AND MELBA JOHNSON	(7 yrs.)
(21) CAM AND EVETTE HAYNES	(30 yrs.)
(26) DANIEL AND CRYSTAL EWTON	(11 yrs.)
(29) VICTOR AND SANDRA CRABTREE	(30 yrs.)
(30) LANNY AND TRACY SMITH	(26 yrs.)

## MARCH

*Lock Building: Bobby Von Rohr*

*Prepare Communion: Gabe & Amanda  
Dixon*

*Pick-up Cups: Crabtrees*

*Van Driver: Lanny Smith*

*Last Sunday Singing: Joel Danley*

*Freedom of speech is empty unless  
we have something to say.*

*Hot tempers mean our friends will be  
cool to us.*

## Church of Christ P. O. Box 206 Dunlap, Tn 37327

*See You at The Worship Service  
With Your Bible*

### Sunday

9:30 A.M. Bible Study  
10:30 A.M. Morning Service  
6:00 P.M. Evening Service

### Wednesday

6:30 P.M. Bible Study

### Men Who Serve

#### Elders:

Tony Boston	949-5065
Greg Long	949-5103
Al Simmons	949-7121

#### Deacons:

Wiley Boston Joel Danley  
C. J. Davis Gabe Dixon  
Glen Edison Tim Layman  
Benny McCoy Keith Pickett  
Lanny Smith Bobby Von Rohr

#### Preacher:

Freddie Clayton  
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### THE DUST COVERED BOOK

*We read the "Journal" and "News," the "Green Book" and the "Red."*

*We keep the serials of the month securely in our head.*

*We go through books, old and new, best sellers, too, we thought;*

*We read the jokes and study the styles; no item goes for naught.*

*We read the sporting page; we know each athlete by name;*

*We read of baseball, football, golf; we're familiar with each game.*

*We look the funny paper through; we watch the mail to seize*

*The magazine we like best, whose columns most please.*

*But in our homes is a Book with pages never turned,*

*Whose message of Truth and hope is still by us unlearned—*

*The Book tells of Him who came to earth that we might know*

*The beauty of a sinless life, lived here so long ago.*

## THE RECORD

Sunday School	150
Worship	172
Contribution	\$4854
Sunday Night	134
Wednesday Night	136

### Sick/Shut-In

**Kathleen Cole** – Gail Ewton’s mother, fell and fractured her shoulder. She is in Parkridge Hospital.

**Jeanette Gibbs** – hurt her foot

**Fred StClair** – home, will be taking treatments

**Christy Greer** – Faye Webb’s daughter

Will be having surgery this Friday

**Gary Turner** – Brenda VonRohr’s Dad, home COPD issues

**Don Hoover** – home, very ill

**Harris Kretzmeier** – Keith’s dad taking radiation treatments

**Greg Pickett** – possibly facing heart Surgery

**Gary Patton** – having heart issues

**Glenn Eidson** – test results good

**Dan Ewton** – having test

**Ann Cooley** – home recovering from a knee replacement

**Layla Simmons** – Phyllis McGlothen’s 4 year old great granddaughter broke her arm, see Send A Card section

**Lynn Layne** – in Quiet Place of Dayton

**Ancel Hicks** – Elder in Kissimmee, FL diagnosed with cancer

**Wanda Hennessee** – home recovering

**Lavaughn Boston** – Wiley’s brother Very ill at home

**Coleen Puryear**, Vera’s sister-in-law Stage 4 Lung cancer, Life Care Center Of Hixson

**Sarah Dodson** – foot is improving slowly

**Freddie Layman** – Arrietta’s son

**Katherine Cookston** – home with Hospice

**Lou VonRohr** – Bobby’s Mother

**Ruth Turner** – slowly improving

**Janie Smith** – homebound

**Paul Poland** – not doing well

**Mary Hicks** – Karen’s Mother-in law, not doing well

**Avery and Minnie Lee Deakins**

**Jennifer Smith** – Thelm’s granddaughter has cancer

**Frank Crownover** – a patient of Leslie’s not doing well

**Emma Bowman** – doing better

**Ernest & Billie Laws** – doing better

**Phyllis McGlothen** – COPD issues

**Darlene Raber** – bone cancer

**Ryan Harvey** – leukemia

**Michelle Donnahoo** – Jessica Thomas’ friend has Aneurysm/Epilepsy

**Hannah Johnson** – is home liver transplant, she is Greg & Michelle Johnson’s daughter

### Nursing Home

Clara Mae Foley – Room 201A

Thelma Layne

Donna Underwood (Paulette C Campbell Underwood) – Room 713

Melissa Parker – Room 306

## “Loose Cannons”

Reading through the news today, I came across an article on one of the presidential candidates wherein one of his former military commanders had said that he was a “loose cannon.” Just the other day, one of our members was telling me about a man who claimed to be a “loose cannon” religiously; we took that as meaning that he didn’t attend at any one particular “church.” And just the other day, I was listening to a CD narrative of the battle of Gettysburg which we purchased while we were on our family vacation this year; it reminded me of just what a “loose cannon” was. When the soldiers attending to a cannon were all wounded, captured, or killed, then the cannon would be turned around by the opposing force and aimed in the other direction back at those to whom it originally belonged. A “loose cannon” can be a very dangerous thing.

Just from looking at these thoughts behind the idea of a “loose cannon,” three different pictures emerge. The first idea represented is that of lack of respect for authority. That is, the individual who is described by his superior as a loose cannon doesn’t know how to respect the chain of command; he is an authority to himself, but respects no other authority. Second, the individual who described himself as a “loose cannon” represents himself as having no affiliation with one side or another. And third, the actual loose cannon on the battlefield represents the idea of something that has been captured and is now being used by the enemy. Christians ought not to be “loose cannons” in any of the senses indicated above.

First, Christians are to respect authority. We are first and foremost to respect the authority of our Lord who has been given all authority (Matthew 28:18) over all flesh (John 17:2). We respect Christ’s authority by looking to His word for everything that we say and do in service to Him in His kingdom (Colossians 3:17). Second, we are to respect the authority of those who are in places of authority such as parents (Ephesians 6:1, 2), elders (Hebrews 13:17), and government leaders (Romans 13:1-6). Jude says of those false teachers in his day that they are those who do not respect authority (Jude 1:8). Let’s not be guilty of being a “loose cannon” in not respecting authority.

Second, Christians are to be affiliated with something, namely, Christ and His church. All those who are baptized into Christ are baptized into Christ’s body (1 Corinthians 12:13), which is His church (Colossians 1:18). Christians belong to Christ and are members of his body, the church. Unfortunately, denominationalism has blurred many people’s understanding regarding the one true church of Christ, and caused them to think that they need not be “affiliated” with any “church”/denomination. Truthfully, no Christian ought to be affiliated with a denomination, but all ought to be affiliated with Christ’s church. To not be affiliated with the church of Christ is to abandon the head of the church himself, Christ Jesus (Ephesians 1:22). It is to take oneself out from among the saved (Acts 2:47; Ephesians 5:23). It is to remove oneself from those who are called saints (1 Corinthians 1:2). Let’s not be guilty of being a “loose cannon” by not being affiliated with the church of Christ (Matthew 16:18).

Third, Christians are not to be captured and used by the enemy. We have an enemy, no doubt! (Matthew 13:39) And we, as Christians, must take up the whole armor of God and fight! (Ephesians 6:11) Our enemy is not flesh and blood but that which exalts itself against the knowledge of God (2 Corinthians 10:3, 4). How tragic, then, should we be captured by our enemy and turned to fight God! Yet some have done this very thing. How? 1) By seeking worldliness. The friend of the world is the enemy of God (James 4:4). 2) By being apathetic toward God (Revelation 3:16). We’re not supposed to be lukewarm as Christians. 3) By looking to satisfy self (Philippians 3:18). We’re not of those whose god is their belly. Let’s resolve not to be captured by the enemy, and never be a “loose cannon.”

Being described as a “loose cannon” is not something of which I would be very proud, whether that was in respect to authority, affiliation, or being captured by the enemy. Each one of us has a responsibility to respect authority, maintain fellowship with God and each other, and fight against the enemy in our life, wherever that enemy may give battle. “Loose cannons” have no place within the ranks of Christ’s army. Let us not so be.

Sympathy

Our sympathy is extended to the family of Nate Kirby who passed away last week. Nate was the son of Larry and Joyce Kirby.

And we extend our sympathy to the family of Emma Lee Harvey who was the mother of Linda Camp.

Also, our sympathy is extended to the family of Patty Mabry. She was the sister-in-law of Dan Mabry.

ATTENTION! LADS 2 LEADERS

There will be a meeting Sunday night after evening services in the fellowship hall.

This meeting is to make final preparations for our trip to the convention.

Please bring your T-Shirt money.

**If you are sick, please don't use the nurseries. You may sit in the area off of the foyer during bible class and worship.**

**There is a meal sheet in the foyer for the Danley's.**

*Congratulations to Lettie Guy on the birth of her 31<sup>st</sup> great-grandchild,  
Lily Ann Grace Cannon.*

Visitation Group 2 meets this week.

Pantry Item: Toilet Paper

TAKE FOOD TO FUNERAL HOMES

Team 2, Team Leader, Mika Davis, 718-5204

**GLENN EIDSON- TUESDAY NIGHT CLASS; WILL RESUME ON  
APRIL 12<sup>TH</sup>, "THE DANGER OF FORGETTING GOD"**

SEND A CARD

Christy Greer - Faye Webb's daughter, 912 E Hendron Chapel Rd., Knoxville, TN 37920

Layla Simmons - Phyllis Humbles great granddaughter - C/O Whitney Lee Simmons, 6501 McMinnville Hwy., Doyle, TN 38559

Frances Hopkins - Cheryl Clayton's Mom -card of encouragement after losing her sister. 184 Buddy Skyles Rd. Apt.302, Dunlap, TN 37327

Harris Kretzmeier - 4413 Cairnapple Court, West Lafayette, IN 47906  
Keith's Dad

Lou VonRohr - c/o Bobby VonRohr 67 Keener Hill Rd., Dunlap, TN 37327

Janie Smith, PO Box 193, Dunlap, TN 37327 Phone: 949-3741

Lynn W. Layne, c/o Joyce Layne, PO Box 1434, Dunlap, TN 37327 Joyce's husband

Emma Bowman, 1106 West Valley Rd., Whitwell, TN 37397 Cancer

Nancy Feezel, 769 Parrot Rd., Maryville, TN 37803 Ellen Miller's Aunt,  
Cancer and 92 yrs. old

Mary Hicks - c/o Joey Hicks, 4512 East Valley Rd, Dunlap, TN 37327, Karen's.  
Mother-in Law and has a long term illness

CHURCH WEB PAGE

[www.yourspiritualhealth.com](http://www.yourspiritualhealth.com). This space was created and is maintained by Michelle Young with the help of copies of Sermons made by Sharon Green.

Training Class for next Quarter will be meeting each Wednesday Night.

Current teachers please have your used material for this quarter of study together. At the end of the quarter there will be a tote located in the hallway to the right of the auditorium.

*Special Note: We try to include everyone's Birthdays and Anniversaries in the Bulletin. Please tell John or Ann Cooley for additions and dates.*

### One Call List

*If you didn't sign up on the list to receive congregational related updates, you will have to see Amanda Dixon. to be added. ALSO, IF YOU SIGNED UP AND YOU WANT TO RECEIVE TEXT MESSAGES YOU MUST OPT-IN BY TEXTING ALERT TO 22300. PLEASE SEE C.J. DAVIS IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS.*

#### **Baby Shower**

**Come help us shower Ashley and Sam Barker's little boy Jackson, Sunday, March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2-4 PM at Summit Room at Mtn. Valley Bank, Registered at Target, Walmart and Babies"R"Us. Ashley is Victor and Sandra's niece.**

**March 20<sup>th</sup> – March 23<sup>rd</sup>, Gospel Meeting at Red Hill with Lee Cox, 7pm**

April 30<sup>th</sup>, East Main in Murfreesboro, Lori Boyd is the speaker (Roots and Wings: Paul's Prayer for the church), Breakfast & Registration 8:15 AM, Event 9:00 AM - Noon. Lunch to follow.

1st Annual Young Ladies Day-Liberty Hall church of Christ

April 2<sup>nd</sup>, Registration 8:00 – 9:00 a.m.

Lessons from Proverbs 31:10, Singing 9:00 – 9:30 a.m.

9:30 – 10:15 – Rebekah Eidson,

10:15 – 11:00 – Shalyn Jones

11:00 – 11:45 – Kim Hart

Lunch at Noon

Please RSVP by March 19<sup>th</sup>, text 423-368-3836

Please bring your empty printer cartridges to Freddie.



*With Special Thanks to all of You.*

*We just wanted to say Thank You all for the cards, calls and food you have supplied to our family. We have had a rough year, but we know God has always been with us, and our church family has kept us in your prayers. Each day our prayer has been that Pop Dewey would have peace and still know his Saviour was always with him. And to Proverbs 3:5, Trust in the Lord with all thine heart and lean not unto thine own understanding. We could never thank you all as much as we would like too. The Dewey Smith Family*

Thank You, With Sincere Appreciation for your thoughtfulness.

Sincerely in Love, Thank You, Jennifer Jenkins Family

Hello to the church in Dunlap, The church is doing God's will. The Humble Family, especially Joyce Jenkins, thanks you. You help us in this sad time of the death of Jennifer Jenkins. Thank you for the love, the prayers, the songs, the food, and the visits. We know now that we have a lot of brothers and sisters, in christian love and faithfulness. Thank you and please pray.

Sincerely in Love, In God, Christ, Holy Spirit. Donnie Humble

Missionaries that we Help: New Address, Samuel I. Azuccna, 6637 Summertime Unc., Watauga, TX 76148; New Phone for Erich McMahan, 423-813-9232

*2016 Dunlap church of Christ*

*Gospel Meetings, Events and Activities*

*March 25 & 26, Lads to Leaders Conference, Atlanta*

*April 3-6, Gospel Meeting with Dan Jones*

*June 19-23, Family Vacation Bible School*

*July 11-16, McCroy Bible Camp*

*August 19-25, Polishing the Pulpit*

*September TBA, Young ladies Day*

*October 23-26, Gospel Meeting with David Powell*