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Jimmy Kennedy was sick on Wednesday night.

**Teddy Dailey** had to spend the night at Livingston Regional Hospital after being diagnosed with Global Amnesia & is at home doing better.

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Shaney Kennedy had a scope done at the ear, nose, and throat doctor. Prayers.

**Traci Taylor** had a heart procedure done on Wednesday & has pulmonary hypertension & congestive heart failure. Traci will be treating her health issues with medication & lifestyle changes. Prayers. **Dylan Young** had a wreck & was flown to Vanderbilt & had 2 surgeries on his right leg. Prayers. **Caroline Reeder** went to the doctor last week for strep throat & is doing better.

Lane Garrett had knee surgery for a torn ACL in Birmingham, AL is at home doing good. Prayers. Diane Ledbetter had hip replacement surgery & is doing good recovering at home.

**Dolphus Dial** has some tumors & may have to have some chemo in the future. Prayers.

**Steven Kennedy** had open heart surgery & at last report was having issues with low sodium. Prayes. **Cynthia Blaire** has not being doing well. Prayers.

Mary Bell (Shaney Kennedy's mother) has been back to the doctor and is now being treated for staph infection. Prayers.

**Christy Lee** at last report is in ICU after having a complete leg amputation. Prayers.

Bob Pennington (Joan Melton's brother in law) was baptized last week. We rejoice!

**EXTENDED SICKNESS:** (has been on the sick list for some time now)...

Kim Reagan (Tony Reagan's wife) has stage 4 cancer & did not get a good report.	Prayers.
Mary Rose Gore has stage 3 cancer. Prayers.	
Robert Leach has ALS and the family asks for prayers.	

## \*Special prayers for all the people we have mentioned & know God is in control!

"Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much." " James 5:16.

Prayer List	(Those who have an	extended illness, i	njury, or	<sup>,</sup> has asked for	prayers)

Donald Norrod	Keith Bilbrey
Scott Mullíns	James Winingham
Aníta Beason	Jimmy Hardin
Míchael Garrett	Gaíl <sup>®</sup> Martín
Betty Paul	Mary Rose Gore
Místy Waller	Angela Diamond
Ann Allred	Ben Walker
Berníce Martín	Marían Andrews
Carolyn Winningham	Kim Reagan
Jaylee Harrís	Dave Medeiros
Debbie Little	Janna Parrott
Aaron Hammock	Jeff McCormíck
Mary Bell	Lucas White
Dylan Young	Marlon Winningham

Robert Leach Danny Bailey Cynthia Blaire Kierston Burns Bennie Dailey Billie Poston Sheila Tedford Carl Reagan Edwin Garrett Carlie Reeder Bill Hill Kelly Hill

Larry Coleman

Betty Winningham Alva Dean Seber Joyce Wakefield Lisa Wallen Faye Melton Richard Newman Amellia Melton Athus Ruble Mark Barlow Missie Richardt Gerald Usrey

Glenn Ríley

Evan Hayes

\*Your assistance in keeping the Prayer List up to date is greatly appreciated. You can notify Donna or Keven Reeder of any names that can be removed. Thank you!



Sympathy and Prayers extended to the family and friends of: Roy Hugh Melton, Johnny Melton, Estelene Cobble & Anita Bouldin

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<u>K</u> S	Wednesday Night, April 26th at 6:30p.m.								
	SONG LEADER	FIRST PRAYER	<b>CLOSING PRAYER</b>						
1	Keven Reeder	Larry Melton	Mike Taylor						
	Sunday N	t 10:00a.m.							
		SONG LEADER	PRAYER						
		Logan Ramsey	Jack Parrott						
	Sunday Morning, April 30th at 11:00a.m.								
-	ANNOUNCEMENTS	SONG LEADER	FIRST PRAYER						
	Dale Bouldin	Steve Martin	Roger Harvey						
	<u>SCRIPTURE</u> <u>READING</u>	LORD'S TABLE- SERVE	LORD'S TABLE- ASSIST						
	Weston Parrott	Tanner Lacy	Scott Gunnels Jimmy Kennedy						
	LORD'S SUPPER SCRIPTURE READING	Coy Johnson	CLOSINGMasonPRAYERRamsey						
	Sunday H	Evening, April 30th at	6:00p.m.						
	SONG LEADER	FIRST PRAYER	<b>CLOSING PRAYER</b>						
	Cody Melton	James Wilson	Donald Wilson						

## iappy Birthday

Jimmy White on April 23rd. Steve Seber on April 24th. Bryan Melton & Cora Hinson on April 25th. Joan Melton, Landon Melton, & Connie Smith on April 27th. Thomas Johnson's mailing address: 1301 Seminole Drive BLDG H-117-C Apt. 1001 Johnson City, TN 37604

## **HAPPY ANNIVERSARY**

Mr. & Mrs. Marlon Winningham on April 28th.

Struggles Of The Christian By Mike Riley Categories: Church of Christ Bulletin Articles The following is a story of nature demonstrating the fact that struggles are a necessary part of growth and development for the Christian in this life. God places these struggles (or trials) before us to prepare us for that perfect home in heaven with Him. The Man And The Cocoon One day a small opening appeared on a cocoon. A man sat and watched for the butterfly for several hours as it struggled to force its body through that little hole. Then it seemed to stop making any progress. It appeared as if it had gotten as far as it could and could go no further. The man decided to help the butterfly so he took a pair of scissors and snipped off the remaining bit of the cocoon. The butterfly then emerged easily but it had a swollen body and small, shriveled wings. The man continued to watch the butterfly because he expected that, at any moment, the wings would enlarge and expand to be able to support the body, which would contract in time. Neither happened! In fact, the butterfly spent the rest of its life crawling around with a swollen body and shriveled wings. It was never able to fly. What the man in his kindness and haste did not understand was that the restraining cocoon and the struggle required for the butterfly to get through the tiny opening was God's way of forcing fluid from the body of the butterfly into its wings so that it would be ready for flight once it achieved its freedom from the cocoon. As Christians, struggles (or trials) are exactly what we need in our life in order to grow and develop properly. If God allowed us to go through our Christian life without any obstacles, it would cripple us spiritually. We, like the butterfly, would not be as strong as what we could have been. We could never fly! Conclusion Brethren – Let's thank God for our daily struggles (trials) and display the same attitude toward trials as the Apostle Paul. The great Apostle said in 1 Peter 4:12-13 - NKJV: "Beloved, do not think it strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you; but rejoice to the extent that you partake of Christ's sufferings,



5th Sunday Singing will be on Sunday evening, April 30th at 6:00p.m. with a <u>Fellowship meal</u> to follow! Logan Ramsey & Tanner Lacy will provide the bible lesstons on Sunday, May 28th. James Wilson will have the bible lesson on June 25th.

Attendance for last week	
Sunday A.M. Bible Study	71
Sunday A.M. Worship	89
Sunday P.M.	55
Wed. Bible Study	48

## Free Communion CHURCH of CHRIST



"For where two or three have gathered together in My name, I am there in their midst." Matthew 18:20



"Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is, but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching." HEBREWS 10:25