

## Prayer Requests for Members

**Jerry & Janet Peaks** Janet returned home from rehab, placed on Hospice Care at home, **Alec, Debby, and Angie Harvey** long-term health problems and Alec in process of scheduling knee replacement, **Olivia Twitchell** and **Willena Twitchell** Willena on hospice care and Olivia as caregiver, **Marilyn Capps** continued health problems, **Mike Mitchell** rehab at home, **Pam Sayle** thumb injury from dog bite

## Prayer Requests for Family and Friends

### Cancer

**Brittany Bergman** (Diane Maddux's cousin) brain tumor getting chemo and radiation, **Ed Heskett** undergoing treatments for liver and pancreas adenocarcinoma, **Paul Cowdery** (Greg & Teresa Artz's son-in-law's father) lymphoma currently cancer free but still has a few more chemo treatments

### Other Illness and Life Challenges

**Dorothy Perygin** (Pam Sayles's Mother) several health problems, **Gary and Judy Steele** (former member) several health problems, **Ted Peaks** (Jerry Peaks' brother) recovering from heart surgery

### Supported Ministries:

**David French – Zambia, Africa**  
<https://zambiamissions.org/>

**Curry Montague – Hungary**  
<http://www.kregyhaza.hu>

**Tennessee Children's Home**  
<https://www.tennesseechildrenshome.org/>

### Local Evangelism and Outreach:

**SomerOak Senior Living – Worship Service Each Sunday at 1 PM**  
<https://somerOakseniorliving.com/>

**Food Pantry – Food and Supplies for those in need**  
**The Manger – Baby and Children's Supplies**

## Oakland Church of Christ

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Welcome to the worship service of the Lord's Church at Oakland  
February 19, 2023

[www.oaklandtnchurchofchrist.com](http://www.oaklandtnchurchofchrist.com)

Sunday Morning Bible Study: 9:00 a.m.

Sunday Morning Worship: 10:00 a.m.

Sunday Night Worship: 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday Night Bible Study: 7:00 p.m.

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| Special Prayer Requests..... | Greg Artz    |
| Singing.....                 | Larry Ellis  |
| Each Step I Take.....        | 287          |
| Jesus, Lover of My Soul..... | 672          |
| Prayer.....                  | Gene Jenkins |
| Glory to His Name.....       | 506          |
| Communion Comments.....      | Greg Artz    |

Men to Serve

Tim Stanz & Larry Wiles

|                                    |           |
|------------------------------------|-----------|
| I Know That My Redeemer Lives..... | 256       |
| Lesson.....                        | Greg Artz |

### Jesus is Calling

Invitation Song

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|---------------------------------|-----|
| He is Able to Deliver Thee..... | 918 |
| Redeemed.....                   | 486 |

Contribution

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| Announcements..... | Greg Artz |
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Closing Prayer

# Today's Lesson

**Morning Assembly**  
**Jesus is Calling**  
**Matthew 4:18-22**

**Evening Assembly**  
**Patience in Difficult Times**  
**James 5:7-11**

## Announcements

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**Welcome visitors! We are so glad that you have chosen to worship with us! Please fill in a Visitors' card and put it in the collection plate.**

### COMING EVENTS

**February 25** – Congregational Singing Service

### Birthdays

Mike Morel (2/3)  
Janet Peaks (2/22)

### Anniversaries

Diane and Bobby Tye (2/5)  
Greg and Teresa Artz (2/22)

### Follow Me

The United States Army is one of the most powerful forces in the world. The strongest and most trained soldiers in all the world. Each one is a valuable asset in order to have victory over an enemy. Therefore, training requires strict discipline and the ability to follow orders of the leaders to ensure survival.

One of the most dangerous places on the battlefield is to find yourself in the middle of a minefield. The terror and fear that each step could be your last. Step in the wrong direction and you could set off a mine that may not only kill you, but also your fellow soldiers.

How do you successfully navigate your way through the minefield? Do you try it on your own and hope for the best? A step here and a step there? Certainly not! You wait for the experts, the Army Engineers to arrive and clear a path through the minefield. Once the path is cleared you must stay on the cleared path only and follow in the steps of your leader to arrive safely on the other side. Any wrong step would be disaster.

As a Christian, many times our daily lives feel like we are trying to navigate through a minefield. Some mines are hidden while others are out in the open. These are the mines set to trap you in sin, desperation, and loneliness. The devil attempting to entice you to try to traverse the minefield all on your own.

It is in these moments that we wait on our expert, the King of Kings and the Lord of Lords, Jesus. We allow him to clear a safe path before us through the minefield where we follow in his steps avoiding the mines that could hurt us or others. We stay on the narrow path that leads to safety on the other side, our home with Jesus. Every life is precious to Jesus, and each of us can be a fruitful servant for Him.

Will you trust Jesus today and follow Him through the minefields of your life?

**Matthew 7:13-14** - <sup>13</sup>“Enter by the narrow gate. For the gate is wide and the way is easy that leads to destruction, and those who enter by it are many. <sup>14</sup>For the gate is narrow and the way is hard that leads to life, and those who find it are few.