

## Prayer Requests for Members

**Alec, Debby, and Angie Harvey** long-term health problems and Angie with back pain, **Olivia Twitchell** health problems and caregiver for **Willena Twitchell** who is on hospice care, **Mike Mitchell** continuing medical problems, **Donna Rike** recovering from injuries after a car accident

## Prayer Requests for Family and Friends

### Cancer

**Brittany Bergman** (Diane Maddux's cousin) brain tumor and some paralysis moved to hospice care, **Cheryl Medley Hill** diagnosed with liver and lung cancer, getting treatments, **Paula Leeman** (Friend of Cathy Stanz) cancer

### Other Illness and Life Challenges

**Dorothy Perygin** (Pam Sayles's Mother) several health problems, **Gary and Judy Steele** (former member) several health problems, **Mack West** (Diane Maddux's aunt) recovery in rehab, **Cathy Hickman** (Mary Nettie's Niece) In rehab, multiple health problems, **Anna Claire Ellis (Granddaughter of Larry and Linda Ellis)** Prayers for guidance on future healthcare treatments, **Cheryl Morris** (Friend of Harveys) rare illness with large mass in lung, **Walter King** (relative of Kathey Wiles) paraplegic in hospital with sepsis

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### 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  
July 23, 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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### Men to Serve

Alec Harvey & Tim Stanz

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# Today's Lesson

**Morning Assembly**  
**Enter by the Narrow Gate**  
**Matthew 7:13-14**

**Evening Assembly**  
**I Will Walk With Integrity**  
**Psalms 101:1-8**

## 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

**July 30** – Congregational Singing Service 5 PM

**August 12** – Men's Business Meeting 8:30 AM

### Birthdays

Donnie Thomas (7/1)	Bobby Tye (7/3)
Susan Smith (7/6)	Marilyn Capps (7/9)
Alec Harvey (7/10)	Jessica Grooms (7/14)
Jeanette Williams (7/16)	Paulene Keller (7/19)
Gene Jenkins (7/20)	Angie Harvey (7/21)
Tim Stanz (7/26)	Jerry Peaks (7/30)

### Anniversaries

Joe and Donna Rike (7/24)

## How Do You Finish the Race?

The Bible describes life as a race. We are all on a path and course of life that has many twists and turns but in the end we all arrive at the same place. There will be times of triumph and then times of trial and pain, and it is WE who must decide how we will run the race.

There was a race in the Special Olympics where after the whistle all the runners started to run for the finish line. However, when one of the runners fell, all the other runners stopped and turned around and helped the person up, and they finished the race together.

In the 1992 Olympics at Barcelona Spain runner Derek Redmond, from England, tore his hamstring during the 400 Meter race and struggled to run and finish the race. Upon seeing his son in such great pain, Derek's father ran onto the track and helped his son finish the last lap of the race.

In the cartoon movie "Cars," the main character, Lightning McQueen, gives up his chance to be the champion when he slows down before the finish line and helps push another car across the finish line that was damaged by the car that won the race.

In life, we will have to decide how we want to finish the race.

Do we live by the quote "Winning isn't everything, it's the only thing?" Or do we live for Jesus and care for our fellow people.

2 Timothy 4:7-8 - I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. 8 Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have loved his appearing.