

## Prayer Requests for Members

**Alec, Debby, and Angie Harvey** long-term health problems and Alec back pain, **Olivia Twitchell** health problems and caregiver for **Willena Twitchell** who is on hospice care, **Mike Mitchell** continuing medical problems, **Jerry Peaks** multiple health problems, **Sandra Thompson** recovering from 2nd cataract surgery, **Doris Heskett** awaiting results of skin biopsy

## Prayer Requests for Family and Friends Cancer

**Cheryl Medley Hill** completed round of proton therapy waiting for results,

## Other Illness and Life Challenges

**Dorothy Perygin** (Pam Sayles's Mother) several health problems and pain from possibly passing kidney stone, **Gary and Judy Steele** (former member) several health problems, **Cheryl Morris** (Friend of Harveys) rare illness with large mass in lung, **Alice Mitchell** (Alec Harvey's sister) physical therapy, **Jim Walters** (Debby Harvey's cousin) chest pain with blockage next test in 2 weeks, **Loretta Morgan** (Debby Harvey's sister) heart attack and started new meds

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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  
November 12, 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

## Contribution

Children's Singing/Closing Song.....	
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# Today's Lesson

**Morning Assembly**  
**The Harvest**  
**Matthew 9:37-38**

**Evening Assembly**  
**Unity – One Faith**  
**Ephesians 4:1-6**

## 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

**November 21** – (Tuesday) Bible Class and Devotional

**November 26** – Congregational Singing Service 5 PM

### Birthdays

Mary Nettie Burch (11/2)                      Joe Rike (11/19)  
Olivia Twitchell (11/25)

### Anniversaries

Alec and Debby Harvey (11/7)

## The Farmer's Commitment to the Harvest

Farming is a way of life, a lifelong commitment. It's not a typical job where you can give your two weeks' notice and walk away. When you farm, you're connected to a specific land, and you've invested in expensive equipment, a community, and oftentimes to previous generations of your family who have farmed before you. In other words, there is a deep-roots, big picture perspective required.

The big picture is this: The farmer is covenanted to his work for a lifetime, and he works his land with the yearly harvest ever before him. Every investment in equipment, every decision regarding the precise planting time, every weed uprooted — all of it is done with the harvest in mind.

This reminds me that I too am called to a lifelong commitment to the harvest, and this lifelong commitment is played out in everyday small acts of devotion. A lifelong commitment entails unrelenting hard work with brief moments of harvest.

John 4:34-38 - My food," said Jesus, "is to do the will of him who sent me and to finish his work. <sup>35</sup> Don't you have a saying, 'It's still four months until harvest'? I tell you, open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest. <sup>36</sup> Even now the one who reaps draws a wage and harvests a crop for eternal life, so that the sower and the reaper may be glad together. <sup>37</sup> Thus the saying 'One sows and another reaps' is true. <sup>38</sup> I sent you to reap what you have not worked for. Others have done the hard work, and you have reaped the benefits of their labor."