## **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

### **Supported Ministries:**

David French – Zambia, Africa <a href="https://zambiamissions.org/">https://zambiamissions.org/</a>

Curry Montague – Hungary <a href="http://www.kregyhaza.hu">http://www.kregyhaza.hu</a>

Tennessee Children's Home <a href="https://www.tennesseechildrenshome.org/">https://www.tennesseechildrenshome.org/</a>

**Local Evangelism and Outreach:** 

SomerOak Senior Living – Worship Service Each Sunday at 1 PM <a href="https://someroakseniorliving.com/">https://someroakseniorliving.com/</a>

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 19, 2023

> 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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# **Today's Lesson**

Morning Assembly Thankfulness is a Choice Psalms 138:1-5

Evening Assembly Parable of the Weeds Matthew 13:24-30

# **Announcements**

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) Olivia Twitchell (11/25) Joe Rike (11/19)

#### **Anniversaries**

Alec and Debby Harvey (11/7)

# **Giving Thanks to the Lord**

When Americans count their blessings at Thanksgiving, God will get most of the credit, a new study shows. And money might be the last thing on their minds.

Nearly two-thirds of Americans (63 percent) say they give thanks to God on that day, according to LifeWay Research. Fifty-seven percent give thanks to their family. About a third (31 percent) thank friends. Eight percent thank themselves, while 4 percent thank fate.

Most Americans are thankful for family (88 percent), health (77 percent), personal freedom (72 percent) and friends (71 percent). Fewer give thanks for wealth (32 percent) or achievements (51 percent), the study shows.

"The blessings that matter most are the ones money can't buy,"

- This week we will celebrate Thanksgiving. It is a holiday with great tradition in our United States.
- It is a time we come together as a nation and show our appreciation for the blessings provided by God in our lives.
- On November 26, 1789, President George Washington issued a Proclamation for a nation-wide day of thanksgiving. He made it clear that this day should be one of prayer and giving thanks to God. It was celebrated by people of all religious denominations throughout this new country.
- Later, President Abraham Lincoln made a proclamation in 1863, designating the last Thursday of November as Thanksgiving Day, a day for the nation to give thanks to Almighty God. The date was later changed to the fourth Thursday of November, by President Franklin Roosevelt in 1941.

Thanksgiving should also be a time of deep refection, digging deep into our minds and hearts and acknowledging the source of all our blessings.