

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR MEMBERS

Alec, Angie, and Debby Harvey multiple health problems, **Olivia Twitchell** health problems, **Donna Rike MS, Diane Tye** back pain, medication adjustments, and sprained wrist from a fall, **Tim Stanz** continued health problems, **Donnie Thomas** cancer found on liver given new treatment shot (not chemo)

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR FAMILY AND FRIENDS Cancer

Perry Montague (Debby Harvey's cousin) kidney cancer, **Shirley Forrester** (Diane Tye's sister-in-law) stage 4 cancer having improvements from treatment, **Ron Shirley** (Diane Maddux's brother) deemed cancer free! **Daniel Roberson** (Donna Rike's brother) completed chemo but found new nodule, **Debbie McNabb** (relative of Debby Harvey) cancer, **Burliss Davis** (relative of Donna Rike) chronic lymphocytic leukemia

Other Illness and Life Challenges

Lucas Walters (Debby Harvey's cousin) Down syndrome and other health concerns, **Augusta Washington** (Donna Rike's niece) having to get injections in her eyes but histoplasmosis is stable, **Ethan Bradford** (Donna Rike's nephew) had pneumothorax and had part of lung removed and then unexplained drop in blood pressure, **Ben Wiles** (Larry and Kathey's son) long COVID, **Gary and Judy Steele** (Former Members) multiple health problems, **Joy Dacus** irregular heartbeat and breathing difficulties, **Dick Weber** (Oakland visitor) not in good health, **Lana Hood's great granddaughter** (3-week-old baby) born with hole in heart & had surgery on Sept 4 and will be in hospital for 30-45 days, **Josh Hunsucker** (Jakob's brother) trying to turn life around, **Maureen Artz** (Greg's mom) has been put on hospice

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/>

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Welcome to the worship service of the Lord's Church at Oakland
September 13, 2026

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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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Lord's Supper

Communion Comments.....	Kenneth Gossett
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Men to Serve

Joe Rike & John Gossett

Contribution

Children's Songs/Closing Song.....	
Announcements/Closing Prayer.....	

Today's Lesson

**Morning Assembly
Labor for the Lord
Matthew 20:1-16**

**Evening Assembly
Congregational Meeting 5 PM**

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

September 13 – Congregational Meeting 5:00 PM at the church building

September 20 – Fellowship Meal After Morning Worship Service (No 5 PM Worship Service)

September 27 – Congregational Singing Service 5 PM

Birthdays

Doris Heskett (9/4)	Lana Hood (9/18)
Jake Jenkins (9/19)	Betty Gossett (9/22)
Greg Artz (9/27)	

Anniversaries

Donnie and Pam Thomas (9/23)

The Poisonous Snake Bite of Sin

Recently, the news has carried stories about how that snakes formerly kept as pets have been released and found new habitat. The Everglades is overrun with such snakes. In an effort to prevent the problem from escalating, the authorities are removing snakes from those who are not licensed to have them.

As ludicrous as this seems, there are people who keep rattlesnakes as pets. I know people who keep snakes. I just don't get it at all, but to keep a venomous snake with venom glands is just asking for trouble.

One man kept a 6-foot rattlesnake in a cage for a pet. He released it in his living room one day just to tease his wife. She ran screaming from the room, and the man quickly took a stick and placed it behind the reptile's head, holding it firmly to the floor so he could recapture the snake. The irritated snake writhed and the man pushed the stick down more firmly to maintain control. Suddenly the stick snapped, and the rattler struck the man on the hand. Medical treatment saved his life, but his finger had to be amputated.

Who would be so foolish to toy with something so deadly? How many of us are toying with sin in the same fashion thinking we have control and are safe from the poisonous strike?

1 Timothy 6:11-12 - But as for you, O man of God, flee these things. Pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, steadfastness, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called and about which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses.