

# Maryville Church of Christ

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## Verse of the Week: Hebrews 10:23 NASB 1995

*“Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful.”*



Our theme for 2026 is "I Confess!" The words "confess" or "confession" are used many ways in the Bible. Confession is used to describe the confession of Christ in the process of salvation, the confession of sin (both to others and to God), the confession of shared and sacred Christian truth, and the confession of Christ in evangelism. Those who confess Christ are promised that Christ will confess their names before the Father in heaven. Confession, in all of its many manifestations, is crucial to the faithful Christian life. In 2026 we will "Hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful."

## Communion Servers for January

**Jerry Dean, Jon Dockery, Mike Hearon, Craig Lanham, Nathan Miranda, Ralph Miranda, Mike Moore, Danny Morris, Bryce Pope, John Pulias, Andy Wallace**

You will receive a text with more information and a serving diagram by the end of the week. If you are unable to serve on any given Sunday for any reason, please let us know with a text (**Rick Fowler** 865-705-1875 or **Ryan Campbell** 319-830-2147). If you are interested in serving communion but have not been contacted yet, please see Rick or Ryan to be added to the list.

## Sympathy

**Victor Allsup**, brother of **Sybil Byrd** and the uncle of **Dena Taylor**, passed away in Macon, Mississippi on December 26, 2025. He was 91 years old. Services were held for him on December 30. Please keep this family in your prayers.

## Pray for Maryville Members:

**LuAnn Stewart** has been moved to The Waters of Maryville Rehabilitation Center (former Asbury) and is in Room 208A.

**Becky Elliott** fell and has torn ligaments in her knee. She is in a brace and will be homebound for a while.

**Jo Ann Gosson** broke her hip and had surgery to repair it on Monday. She is at UT Medical Center in room 702.

**Lisa Simpson** had a mild heart attack. Her initial tests showed no blockages or blood clots. She is now at home and resting. She is awaiting further test results and will undergo more testing in the following weeks.

## Prayers for Maryville Friends and Family:

**Bella Thompson**, granddaughter of **Randy Asbill**, had successful surgery to remove her appendix on Monday. She is at home and doing much better.

**Margaret Fox**, mother of **Karen Campbell**, was hospitalized with heart issues due to flu and Covid. She is at home now but still needs prayers.

## Please Continue to Pray for:

Levi Abbott, Gwen Ackerman, Carla Adams, Eugenia Art, Jody Bails, Bonnie Batey, Ian and Kim Baxter, Jane Beddingfield, Laura Beddingfield, Theresa Bounds, Libby Bowling, Susan Boyd, Ann Brannon, Dorothy Cavender, Jona Çepi, Susan Clifton, Janet Comer, Delois Cutshaw, Vilma Dallas, Mary Lou Daines, Joel Davenport, Brenda Dean, An Dube, Mary Ann Edmonds, Leah Elliott, Mike & Pat Farmer, Rachel Farmer, Tom Fesmire, Kenny Fisher, Gabriel Ford, Ken and Kathie Ford, Jan & Claude Gardner, Shannon Garner, Betty and Chet Gilbert, JoAnn Gosson, Amelia Hackler, Terry Hadden, Lisa Hall, Cody Haynes, Mike Head, Shirley Hedges, Laurie Holmes, Turner Holmes, Forrest Hudson, Joyce Humphries, Rodney Humphries, Kaiden Kaman, Joe Koehn, Mark & Tammie Lewis, Joe Mantione, Ron Matthews, Linda Ohgren, Fred & Monica Orr, Jeff Painter, Vickie Painter, Mike Parker, Jerry Phillips, Debbie Rasbury, Larry Raulston, Sigilinde Reeves, Zac Reeves, Larry & Linda Samuels, C.J. Sanchez, Patty Sbarbaro, Nancy Stevenson, LuAnn Stewart, Randy Suisse, Max Thomas, James Thompson, Michael Towe, Zora Tyler, Jim Wagner, Tony Wallace, Ellen Walker, Juanita Walt, Teresa Walt, Greg Waters, Eva Williams, Katherine Williams, Wendy Winstead, Lillie & Chloe Woods.

♥*Those being treated for or recovering from cancer:* Ernestine Badman, Abby Boruff, Steve Boyd, Kim Brown, Jenny Buckner, Janet Chadwick, Shawn Clevenger, Kasey Dudley, Pat Farmer, Susan Farmer, Mike Healy, Madison Heatherly, Teresa Henry, Joyce Huff, Denise Jackson, Kelly Pearmain, Phil Reynolds, Gay Lynne Schob, Cogi Sparkman, Dale Terry, Sr., Alyssa Tosado, Jean Towry, Paul Williams, Dale Willis, Angelia Wright, Tom Yates, David Young.

## Sunday Morning, January 4, 2026

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| Call to Worship  | Rob Stevenson                  |
| Opening Prayer   | Rob Reeves                     |
| Scripture Reading  | Asher Hazel                    |
| Sermon   | Travis Bookout                 |
| Sermon Series: "I Confess!"  |                                |
| Sermon Title: 2026: A Year of Confession   |                                |
| Sermon Basis: Hebrews 10:23  |                                |
| Communion  | <b>Presiding:</b> Joe Bohannon |
| Jerry Dean, Jon Dockery, Mike Hearon, Craig Lanham, Nathan Miranda, Ralph Miranda, Mike Moore, Danny Morris, Bryce Pope, John Pulias, Andy Wallace |                                |
| Nursery  | Cassie Everett Family          |
| Children's Worship   | Scott & Hannah Brock           |
| TNT (ages 2-3)   | Kristy Bird & Angie Rodgers    |
| Sunday Evening   | Travis Bookout                 |

### Our Record, December 28, 2025

|                                    |                |
|------------------------------------|----------------|
| Bible Class                        | 92             |
| Worship                            | 244            |
| Worship PM                         | 76             |
| Mid-Week                           | N/A            |
| Contribution                       | \$10,990.00    |
| Budgeted Weekly Need               | \$19,516.00    |
| Contribution through 12/28         | \$867,050.51   |
| Budgeted Yearly Need through 12/28 | \$1,014,832.00 |
| Special Contributions              | \$122,258.37   |

Elders will be available in the library during the invitation song for anyone who would like to meet with them for personal prayer. Also, the elders desire to welcome all new members! If you would like to be identified with the Maryville Church of Christ, the elders would like to meet with you. Please call the church office (983-0370) to arrange an appointment.

**Our Mission Statement:** To fulfill the Great Commission by teaching the Gospel to the lost, to encourage a never-ending spiritual growth in God's children, and to hold steadfastly to the Bible which we affirm is the inerrant and inspired word of God.



Church Family, **THANK YOU** to all those who took a tag from our Tree of Hope and provided a gift to the girls at Garland Oaks! Your generosity was abounding!! I am so grateful to you and so excited we were able to bless those precious souls. What an amazing way to share the love of Jesus! ~Jessica Hazel

Please note - if you mail anything to the church, please use our post office box number, P.O. Box 5293, Maryville, TN 37802

## Calendar

January 6

**\*Tuesday Morning Breakfast Club**

9:00 a.m. Fellowship Hall

January 7

**\*VIP (Visit in Person)**

9:45 a.m. Fellowship Hall

**\*Ladies' Wednesday Morning Bible Class**

10:30 – 11:30 a.m. Fellowship Hall

**\*Men's Wednesday Morning Bible Study**

10:30 a.m. Room 202

### Security Measures

If you open a door to the church building using a key, please **MAKE SURE you lock it again** once you are finished. Our new system will not function correctly if the door is left unlocked, and it may remain unlocked without anyone realizing it until a key is used. Thank you for helping keep our church secure.

### Office Hours Limited

Leigh Ann will be out of town January 5-16 so office hours will be more limited. If you need anything at all you can still reach her by text at 865-256-9588.

### VIP (Visit in Person)

The next VIP (visit in person) will be held on Wednesday, January 7, 2026 at 9:45am before the Ladies Bible Class. This visitation ministry is open for all ladies who would like to visit our homebound and those who are limited in their ability to get out. Please join our meeting if you would like to find out what VIP is all about. See **Cathy Metzger**, **Vicki Newman** or **Debra Willis** for further information.

### Ladies' Wednesday Morning Bible Class

Join us on January 7, as **Judi Curp** leads our lesson, "**Prayer Changes Things**", from the book *The Begging Place* by Becky Fowler Blackmon. We will meet from 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

### Men's Wednesday Morning Bible Study

The Wednesday Men's Bible Study will meet on January 7 at 10:30 a.m. in Room 202 at the church building. We will continue our study of Paul's Prison Epistles. **Bob Metzger** will lead the study on the Book of Philemon.



**\*Macaroni & Cheese**

**\*Canned Fruit**

**\*Chili**

♥**Our shut-ins:** Margaret Anderson, Edward Burroughs, Jack Coleman, Mike Farmer, Beverly Gardner, Claude Gardner, Terry Hadden, Darwin Spradlin, June Warlick.

♥**Our missionaries:** Kent and Rachael O'Donnell, Albert and Lavinia Cook, Bledi and Valbona Valca, Ellen Walker, Albert and Jona Cepi, Harilla Mandro, Gezim Berdelima, Prabhu Kumar.

♥**Serving in the military:** Sawyer Damato in Port Canaveral, Florida, US Navy. Joshua Huff, son of David and Laura, US Air Force /National Guard. Richard Wilkes, Air National Guard.