

INDEPENDENCE CHURCH OF CHRIST~
JULY 5, 2020

SYMPATHY: We are terribly sorry to announce that **Brenda Jones** passed away unexpectedly Thursday night after entering ICU on Monday. We extend our sympathy to **Stan Jones** and **Thomas Massey** and the rest of **Brenda Jones'** family. The mother of a friend of **Jeffrey Clayton** passed away unexpectedly the week before last.

SICK/TEMPORARY: **Cody Hadley** has been struggling with a medication substitute. **Sonny Stewart** had some skin cancer spots removed recently.

PROTRACTED: **Janice Bailey**—Alzheimers; **Scooter Birmingham** (friend of **Destiny Clayton**); **Brian Brown** (**Paul Brown's** nephew)—epilepsy; **Shelly Cates**—fibromyalgia; **Gladys Marie Elrod** (**Mary Ray's** son-in-law's mother)—congestive heart failure; **Addliae Farrow** (**Tabatha Clayton's** great niece)—heart; **Bubba Farrow** (**Emma Farrow's** son)—Alzheimer's; **Jimmy Ferguson** (former preacher here)—heart rhythm; **Jerry Floate** (of this community)—liver transplant; **Kaylie Hadley**—UCTD; **Paula Harrison**—Meniere's Disease; **Wanda Jackson**—a-fib; **Brenda Jones**—Lupus; **Stan Jones**—Meniere's Disease; **Monica La Rock** (granddaughter of **Orelia Ferguson** and mother of **Noah**)—recovering from a brain bleed and awaiting further surgery; **Garrett Lentz** (son of a co-worker of **Cody Hadley**)—seizures; **Sheila Massey**—Bell's palsy; **Becky Munns** (**Tabatha Clayton's** aunt)—heart problems, Crohn's Disease; **Robert Rawson** (preacher at **Crockett**)—diabetes; **Ray Reynold's** (**Sheila Massey** and **Mary West's** dad)—memory trouble; **Brett Rutherford** (**Dan Cates'** friend)—MS; **Tammy Turner** (a preacher's wife whom we support)—dementia; **Francis Wallace** (friend of **Mary Ray**); and **Madison Young**—laryngomalacia.

CANCER: **Clifton Angel** (preacher at **Coldwater**)—thyroid; **Sherry Brown** (retired MSOP secretary); **Alicia Busby** (from the community); **Earl Carlton** (son of a friend of **Syble Embrey**)—esophageal; **Gary Darnell** (**Ella Darnell's** son)—leukemia as well as diabetes; **Brenda Davis** (a grandmother of **Edra** and **Ryan Farrow**); **Tom Gordon** (**Cody Hadley's** grandfather); **Nathan Jones** (the **Hounshell's** neighbors' 16 year old family member)—brain; **Sara Kiestler** (an **FHU** student)—Hodgkin's; **Wade Loggins** (member of congregation in **Elkmont, AL**); **Dorothy Mosher** (wife of an **MSOP** instructor); **Carol Ogelsby** (family of **Sonny Stewart** and the **Browns**)—stomach; **Tommy Pierce** (the **Browns'** friend); **Tiffany Taylor** (the **Browns'** friend); and **Tabby Waters** (**Tabatha Clayton's** sister-in-law)—leukemia.

SHUT-IN: **Marie Crockett** (home), **Emma Farrow** (in a care facility in **Sardis**), **Orelia Ferguson** (home), and **Annette Cates** (**Dan Cates'** mother who is at home in **Pensacola, FL**).

SERVING: **Dylan** and **Maggie Cooper** (Air Force, **Offut AFB, Neb.**), **Cameron Hadley** (**Grayson Hadley's** dad—Marines, **Hawaii**), **Jacob Petrowski** (grandson of former members here—Marines, soon to be let out). Also, please continue to pray for **Kyle Embrey** (**Syble Embrey's** grandson—policeman) and all other military [especially who are going or remain abroad] and for all those in authority that we might live "quiet and peaceable" lives (I Timothy 2:1,2).

Please check the directory in the foyer to see if your information is correct; if you need to change anything, please do so; if all is correct please indicate it with either a check mark or your initials. If you can receive texts, you may note that by the appropriate phone number as well.

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Services: Sunday 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 4:45 p.m. (pew-packers), 5 p.m.
Wednesday 7:15 p.m.

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Missions [the latest reports from these works are on the bulletin board in the foyer]

Independence Mission Fund (next: tbd)

Memphis School of Preaching (Jonathan Jenkins)

Brown Trail School of Preaching (Spanish Department)

Jim and Tammy Turner (Fairfield, North Carolina)

Trent Kennedy family (Four Seas Bible College, Singapore)

Kakinada, Andhra Pradesh, India [Providing Bibles]

Netcasters and Fishers of Men (Tim Wilkes, II)

Tennessee Children's Home, West

Pablo Horna (Costa Rica) [Overseeing funds]

Many one-time, domestic and overseas, mission efforts

WHY HASN'T CHARLES DARWIN BEEN “CANCELED?”,

Part 1

Brad Harrub

In 1963, Martin Luther King Jr. delivered his famous “I have a dream” speech on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial in our nation’s capital. Thanks to his non-violent approach and his gift for oration, King—along with hundreds of others—led this country toward the American Civil Rights Movement and away from racism and desegregation. While no one would argue that the task of providing equal rights is complete, the landscape today reflects that numerous changes have occurred over the past fifty years.

By many aspects, it appears things are moving in the right direction. Racist signs and separate water fountains have been removed, and laws have been put into place to ensure equality. However, while changes have been made, and society appears to be moving collectively in the right direction, a silent current has been moving individuals in the opposite direction. This opposing current has a strong undertow, and will eventually be looked upon with disgust and repugnance. This racist tenet remains cloaked under the banner of evolution.

If the evolutionary theory of “survival of the fittest” is correct, then the animals living today are “the fittest.” In essence, this godless theory teaches we get better over time. Now apply this theory to mankind. According to evolutionists, mankind evolved out of Africa and eventually migrated to Europe and Asia. And yet, how does every single form of media portray early “Neanderthal” like creature? Has National Geographic ever depicted an “early man” or ape-like creature with fair skin? The common theory being taught in classrooms today is that dark skinned people evolved out of Africa and eventually gave rise to fair skinned populations in Europe and Asia. A cursory glance will quickly reveal that early man is always depicted with dark skin. Mankind supposedly got “fitter” and lost that color. Allegedly, Caucasians evolved from the Negroid race—thus, fair skinned people are allegedly a more evolved, and thus, superior race.

Now consider that this is the only legalized theory of human origins in public classrooms today. Students all across America are being shown images of dark skinned ape-like creatures that paved the way for white men. Ironic, is it not that the ACLU, an organization that is supposed to advocate “individual rights by litigating, legislating, and educating the public,” is defending a theory that undermines the core of their mission. The ACLU is defending an atheistic theory that by its very definition demands that there is an inferior race.

On college campuses all across this country Charles Darwin’s infamous *Origin of Species* has become a staple of required reading. But how many people are aware of the full title of Charles Darwin’s book? While new editions have deleted the subtitle, *Darwin’s original work was titled: The Origin of Species by Means of Natural Selection—or The Preservation of*

Favoured Races in the Struggle for Life. The phrase “favored race” indicates that there is a race that is not favored. In his second book, *The Descent of Man*, Darwin noted:

At some future period, not very distant as measured by centuries, the civilized races of man will almost certainly exterminate and replace the savage races throughout the world. . . . The break between man and his nearest Allies will then be wider, for it will intervene between man in a more civilized state, as we may hope, even than the Caucasian, and some ape as low as the baboon, instead of as now between the Negro or Australian and the gorilla (2nd ed., New York: A. L. Burt Co., p. 178). *(To be continued)*

“That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ:” (Ephesians 4:14,15)

BIBLE QUESTION:

This week’s question: Whom are Jesus’ disciples to love?

Last week’s question: What types of vessels are "in a great house"?

Last week’s answer: “... not only vessels of gold and of silver, but also of wood and of earth; and some to honour, and some to dishonour” (2 Timothy 2:20).

SERMONS: Love, Mercy, and Forgiveness (*Luke 6:27-38*)

We will not meet on Sunday evenings or Wednesday nights for the foreseeable future.

DAILY BIBLE READING (July 6-12):

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.
2 Kings	18,19						
Isaiah	1-3	4-6	7-9	10-12	13-15	16-18	

SCRIPTURE READING (JUNE): Thomas Massey (Luke 6:32-34)

(JULY): Cody Hadley

PRESIDE LORD’S SUPPER MORNING (JUNE): Cody Hadley

(JULY): Garrett Young

ASSIST LORD’S SUPPER (JUNE): Mark Peyton and Conor Cates

(JULY): Ray Stanford and Dan Cates

CLEAN BUILDING (JUNE): The Masseys

(JULY): Ella Darnell and Carolyn Stanford

PREPARE COMMUNION (JUNE): Kaylie Hadley

(JULY): Suzanne and Katie Brown

PANTRY NEEDS: Canned good and other imperishables.

UPCOMING EVENTS (For particular details, check the bulletin board for flyers):

Friday and Saturday (July 10,11)

Camp-in for all the children of the congregation Friday night and Saturday; more details will follow. Adults and children need white t-shirts if they wish to tie-dye. Please sign-up in the foyer if you plan to attend.

July 13-17

Vacation Bible School at Nesbit.

September 20-23

Gospel meeting with Tom Wacaster.