

**Prayer List of the Sick and Afflicted:**

Beverly Anderson is still recovering at home.  
Joni McConnell fell and is recovering at home.  
Tina Knoy is at home being treated for COVID.  
Mike Parnell's brother, Bob, has COVID.  
Mike Parnell's son, Bill, has cancer but at this time it is in remission.  
Mike Parnell's brother, Edwin, and sister, Brenda both have cancer.  
Mike Parnell recently had sinus surgery and is doing well.  
Floyd and Judy's great grandson, Malachi, broken arm.  
Darryl Grimes (Ken & Sherrie Roosa's son-in-law) is now home but will begin treatment with a new chemotherapy that is in clinical trials.  
Please keep Darryl, his wife and family and Ken and Sherrie in prayer.  
Ken Roosa had surgery to repair a tear in his shoulder rotator cuff on November 8th. He is doing well and continues to recover.  
Charlie Henard's mother has Alzheimer's but is now at home.  
Clay Sturgill (Ray's brother) continues rehab in Whitesburg, KY.  
Karen Sproles is doing better but is still receiving therapy.  
Iris Hash is being treated for stomach problems and is also dealing with neck pain.  
Continue to pray for those in Arkansas, Tennessee, Kentucky and Illinois who are recovering from the recent tornados.

**Pray For Our Shut-ins:**

Gloria Hale, Karen Sproles, Iris Hash

**Men's Business Mtg.** - Wednesday, January 5th at 5:00 PM.

**Pray For The Works We Are Supporting:**

John Grubb (Mission work in Asia), Northwest Florida School of Biblical Studies

A planning session for our 2022 works will take place Saturday, January 8<sup>th</sup>. We will meet at Indy's restaurant for breakfast at 8:30 then return to the building. The women will also meet to discuss their 2022 works.

**Radio Program:**

Please remember to tune in every Sunday morning at 8:00 AM to WCBK 102.3 to hear our radio program which is entitled: "Preparing For Eternity".

**God's Plan For Our Salvation:**

1. **Hearing** the word of God (Romans 10:17; Acts 16:32).
2. **Believing** what is taught (Mark 16:16; Hebrews 11:6).
3. **Repentance** (Acts 2:38; Luke 13:3; Acts 17:30).
4. **Confession** (Romans 10:9, 10; Acts 8:37).
5. **Baptism** (Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16; I Peter 3:21; Romans 6:3, 4).
6. **Faithful Christian Living**, after the above five steps (I Peter 2:11, 12; Rev. 2:10).

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***MORGAN STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST***

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**Schedule of Services:**

**Sunday**

Bible Study – 9:30 AM

Worship – 10:30 AM

Evening Service - 6:00

**Wednesday**

Bible Study – 6:00 PM

**Thursday**

Ladies Bible Study – 11:00 AM

**Radio Program:**

“Preparing For Eternity”

Sunday Mornings 8:00 AM, WCBK 102.3 FM

**Website:**

[www.morganstreetchurchofchrist.org](http://www.morganstreetchurchofchrist.org)

Gospel Preacher – Bob Hawkins

## WHAT ABOUT PUTTING MONEY INTO THE RED KETTLES?

The red kettles have been out for several weeks now. **The Salvation Army** puts them out. The money goes to support the poor and disenfranchised. Some going into a store or leaving it may feel almost forced to drop some change or even dollars into these kettles. However, The Salvation Army is a false religion. A Christian should not give a dime to this begging organization.

William and Catherine Booth in 1865 began to work in London helping the poor. Their organization was at first called **The Christian Mission**, but in 1878 the name was changed to **The Salvation Army**. Booth came out of the Methodist Church. He set up the polity as an army. He became the General. Their declaration of faith was called the “Articles of War.” Mission stations became corps; members became soldiers; evangelists were called officers, and converts were referred to as seekers. In 1878 the first brass band introduced music and arts to the Army.

**The Salvation Army** has a creed book called *Handbook of Doctrine*, which teaches that repentance is the first condition of salvation and faith is the second and final condition of salvation. Their creed says, “It is a mistake to say, ‘Only believe’ to unrepentant sinners, because they do not always understand that repentance must come before saving faith.” It mentions that “the jailer was already truly repentant when Paul and Silas said to him,

‘Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved’ (Acts 16:31).”

The jailer was indeed sorry for what had happened to Paul and Silas, but he could not repent until he first had faith. A careful reading of the text (Acts 16:25-34) will show that the jailer had to have faith before he repented. He asked the question, “Sirs, what must I do to be saved?” The answer given was, “Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.” Then, they spoke unto him the word of the Lord. After they had spoken to him the word of the Lord, he washed their stripes and was baptized. He knew nothing about the Lord Jesus; so, he had to be taught. Faith comes by hearing the word of God (Rom. 10:17). Repentance is a change of the mind. How could he have a change of mind toward Jesus Christ if he knew nothing about him? Faith always precedes repentance. The washing of their stripes indicated his repentance. He and his household were baptized the same hour of the night. They did not put off baptism until a later time. This shows the necessity of baptism. In The Salvation Army’s creed book under the “Conditions of Salvation,” they are as silent as the tomb about baptism. **The Salvation Army** does not believe baptism is necessary to be saved.

So, one should not donate to the red kettles.

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