

~~~ Those Privileged To Serve ~~~

**Sunday 1st Service**

**Welcome ~ Announcements**

Opening Prayer  
Song Leader  
Preaching  
Preside Communion **\*\*11:00\*\***  
Serving  
Closing Prayer

**Prepare Communion**

**Sunday 2nd Service**

**Welcome ~ Announcements**

Opening Prayer  
Song Leader  
Preaching  
Closing Prayer

**Wednesday Evening 7:00**

**January 25, 10:00 A.M.**

Michael Hollis  
Bob White  
Melvin Griffin  
Alfred Barnes  
Randy Harp  
Jack Denney/William Carter  
Zackery Wilson

Caryn McCarver

**January 25, 11:30 A.M.**

Michael Hollis  
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Randy Harp  
Alfred Barnes  
Steve Pollard

**January 28, 7:00 P.M.**

**February 1, 10:00 A.M.**

Randy Harp  
Dylan Madden  
Melvin Griffin  
Alfred Barnes  
Richard Harp  
William Carter/Jack Denney  
Michael Curseen

Karen White

**February 1, 11:30 A.M.**

Randy Harp  
Willie Green  
Melvin Griffin/Volunteers  
Alfred Barnes  
Levi Madden

**February 4, 7:00 P.M.**

**In Search Of The Lord's Way  
Sundays - Channel 57 - 7:30 AM**

01/25/2026—"Do Not Grow Weary"  
02/01/2026—"You Can Trust Scripture"  
02/08/2026—"God is Faithful"  
02/15/2026—"Homes Filled With Love"  
02/22/2026—"Take Up Your Cross"

**Read the Bible from start to finish in 2026 ...**

Jan 25: Ex 22-24  
Jan 26: Ex 25-27  
Jan 27: Ex 28-29  
Jan 28: Ex 30-32  
Jan 29: Ex 33-35  
Jan 30: Ex 36-38  
Jan 31: Ex 39-40  
Feb 1: Lev 1-4



~~ Enter to Worship — Leave to Serve ~~

**What Must I Do To Be Saved?**

|                        |               |
|------------------------|---------------|
| Realize I am lost      | Rom. 3:23     |
| Hear the Gospel        | Acts 15:7     |
| Believe the Gospel     | Mk. 16:15-16  |
| Repent of sins         | Acts 17:30    |
| Confess Christ         | Rom. 10:9-10  |
| Baptized to remit sins | Acts 2:38     |
| Remain faithful        | 2 Pet. 1:5-11 |

**Record of Attendance**

|   |                          |                     |
|---|--------------------------|---------------------|
| * | <b><u>01/18/2026</u></b> | <b><u>Total</u></b> |
| * | Sun. Bible Study         | 30                  |
| * | Sun. 1st Worship         | 46                  |
| * | Sun. 2nd Worship         | 35                  |
| * | Wednesday Evening        | 12                  |
| * | Contribution             | \$2,241.00          |

# The Tara Beacon

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*"The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple." Psalm 119:130*

**Tara church of Christ**  
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***Sunday***

*Bible Study 9:00 AM*  
*1st Worship 10:00 AM*  
*2nd Worship 11:30 AM*

***Wednesday***

*Bible Study 7:00 pm*

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## HOW DEEP DOES YOUR ANCHOR GO?

When we become a Christian, we are planted and grounded in Christ. As we study, our roots grow deeper and spread when we anchor ourselves in the Lord.  
"Study to show thy self approved... II Tim 2:15

As we study, we receive spiritual nourishment from the Lord. *Matt. 5:6 ... Hunger and thirst after righteousness...*

If we apply to our lives what we learn, as Jesus did in *Matt. Chapter 4*, we will be better prepared to face the devil and the temptations of this world in which we live. As our faith and trust in Him increase, we will be better equipped to face the storms of life.

***Are you grounded firm and deep  
in the Savior's love?***



***"The Love of God In '2026"***

## ~~ Activities And Events ~~

**February 1st**— We will have out L.I.G.H.T Fellowship Meal following our 2nd Worship Service. Our Menu is posted on the Bulletin Board in the foyer. You can sign your name by the item you'd like to bring.

**Beginning February**— On the 1st and 3rd Mondays at 7:00 PM., will begin a new study; The Bible: A Portrait of Redemption. It will be at Henrietta Murphy Jones home. Her address is in the Tara Directory.

**Project Outreach**— The new tracts are available, "The Unity of the Bible." They are available for you at the security desk.

**March 2026**—We will be preparing bags quarterly for the homeless. There is a list on the bulletin board for items needed. Michael Hollis is overseeing this outreach program.

## Prayer Requests

**Vera Hannah**— was in the hospital to have a stint put in. She is now home and feeling some better. She needs prayers as she recovers.

**Bill Jones**— needs our prayers as we've learned his cancer has returned.

**Maxine Howell**— has several complications due to the last stroke. She is in the hospital, and in need of our prayers. Her address is posted on the bulletin board in the foyer.

**Henrietta Murphy Jones**— has been diagnosed with blood clots. The doctor is treating her with blood thinners for the next 6 months.

**Ted Young**— is now at home after a stay in the hospital from serious health issues.

**Russ Baker**— is having some health issues related to blood clots in his lungs. While he has improved, it will take time through his recovery.

**Rosalyn Curseen**— is home now after a lengthy stay in the hospital. She will be having physical therapy treatments at home. Michael will be working close with her needs. Prayers for Rosalyns recovery, and for Michael as he helps with her care.

**Michael Curseen**— continues with Infusion Treatments every 3 weeks, for the next 2 years. We need to continue prayers for Michael.

**Continued Prayer List:** Maggie and Patrick Brown, Keith Fort, Brenda Millsap, Billie Pouncey, Archie Robinson, Jimmy Denney, Christian and Cory Curseen, Anthony Newman, Paul Pacchioli, Havanna Goebel, Marcia Woodbury, Steve Smith, Bernice Harris, Jim and Maxine Howell, Vernetta Jones, Don Cheek, Doris Pate, Mozelle Jones, Vera Pollard, Willie Mae Brown, Carla Robison's mother, Alfred and Lenora Barnes, parents of Alfred Barnes, Erika Lee Havanna's daughter, Erika Lee's father

~~ Send a Card, Make a Call, May We All Encourage One Another ~~

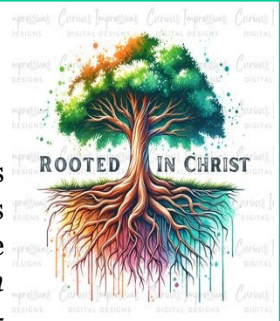
## Elders' Comments

Sometimes difficulties occur in our lives that challenge our faith. The devil is always seeking whom he may devour. Disappointing and trying times also occur in the church. They did in the first century, and they do in the 21st. When they occur, and our faith is challenged, we can be come discouraged and run away, or we can stand firm and fight the good fight of faith. God is far more powerful than the devil. He will be with us and bless us to overcome whatever we face, personally, or as a congregation of God's own special people. "Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of His might" (Eph.6:10)

*The Elders*

**Please remember to turn off your cell phone during Bible study and Worship!**

## THE PRINCIPLE OF SOWING AND REAPING



Sowing and reaping are principles we live with daily. Seed produces after its own kind. (Gen. 1:11,12) When the farmer sows wheat, or plants cotton, he knows what to expect. This principle is stated in regards to the use of the tongue. *"Does a spring send forth fresh water and bitter from the same opening? Can a fig tree, my brethren, bear olives, or a grapevine bear figs? Thus no spring yields both salt water and fresh."* (James 3:11,12) Jesus taught, *"A good man out of the good treasure of his heart brings forth good things, and an evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart brings forth evil things."* (Matt. 12:35)

Those who break the law, harm their bodies, and sin against God must suffer the consequences sooner or later. Thieves and murderers finally get caught. Those who give their bodies over to the use of tobacco, alcohol, illegal drugs, or any other substance abuse open their bodies to serious diseases. Reckless drivers have accidents; homosexuals get aids; adulterers are divorced. All do not, of course, but many do. *"What goes around comes around."* *"Those who sow to the wind many times reap the whirlwind..."* (Hosea 8:7) *"Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap. For he who sows to the flesh will of the flesh reap corruption; but he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap everlasting life."* (Gal. 6:7-8)

When we forsake the assemblies of the church, we should not be surprised when worship, Bible study, prayer, giving, the Lord's Supper, etc. becomes less important to us. Spiritual death often follows. *"We just got out of the habit of going."* Someone says, *"I haven't quit serving the Lord; I just don't go to church like I should."* Well, if such a person did decide to quit serving the Lord, what would he do differently? Can one forsake the body of Christ and still remain faithful to Christ?

Parents must ever be reminded of the principle of sowing and reaping. Of course, every person who chooses of his own will to leave the church is not the product of unfaithful parents. Children brought up in evil homes can later choose to be righteous; so can the children of spiritual homes decide later to leave the Lord. *"Everyone of us shall give account of himself to God."* (Rom. 14:12) However, parents who fail both to teach and live faithfully before their children will one day reap what they have sown. Young people are warned about the sowing and reaping principle. *"Be not deceived, Evil companionships corrupt good morals."* (I Cor, 15:33) Peer pressure is great among young people. May we all, young and old, be dedicated and disciplined as we live for Christ. When we do, we shall reap happiness here, and in the end have eternal life.

*Richard*