

Bible Reading Question
Answers for questions the Week of
August 23rd-29th:



1) Edom 2) a sword 3) golden 4) 832,000
5) transgressions 6) gnashing 7) compassions
8) cook 9) oven 10) iron 11) rebellious 12) watchman
13) human waste 14) three 15) remnant 16) silver and
gold 17) sun 18) foreheads 19) coals 20) sanctuary
21) I am the Lord

TOGETHERNESS



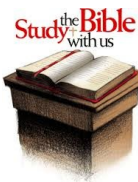
In the primitive age man lived
In ignorance, so to speak.
But he learned that together we stand
When divided we are weak.

Being together, man soon found out,
He could conquer wild beast and all,
And take better care of his economic need
Being together they would hardly fall.

Scientists realized that, too, long ago
That two heads are better than one.
They began to combine their skills
And great progress was begun.

In the language of the Apostle Paul
To the church at Ephesus he wrote,
“Keep the unity of the Spirit in the bonds of peace”.
That is what Christians should diligently seek.

We must always remember as Christians
Making peace is best of all.
For if we stand together on what God says,
We will never fall.



FUN WITH NUMBERS

How many letters are there in the word
“Old?” Answer : 3

How many letters are there in the word
“Testament?” Answer: 9

There are 39 Books in the Old Testament.

Multiply 3x9 and you get 27.
There are 27 Books in the New Testament

In the King James Version there are:
1189 Chapters,
31,173 Verses
773,692 Words

FINAL CALL

2026
TENNESSEE STATE
Churches of Christ
LECTURESHIP

KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE | SEPTEMBER 11-13, 2026

THEME:
“Render Unto God,
What Is God’s”
MARK 12:17



JOIN US!
for a powerful weekend of
biblical teaching, fellowship,
and spiritual growth.



SOUND DOCTRINE
Faithful teaching
from God’s Word



UPLIFTING FELLOWSHIP
Strengthening
bonds in Christ



SPIRITUAL GROWTH
Encouraging
hearts and lives



LUNCHEON
SATURDAY
SEPTEMBER 12, 2026
12:30 PM

COST
\$50.00

HOST LOCATION
EMBASSY SUITES HOTEL



9621 Parkside Dr.
Knoxville, TN 37922

HOTEL GROUP CODE:
SCC

Book by calling the hotel
at (865) 970-4300 or
online at [embassysuites.com](https://www.embassysuites.com)
Be sure to mention code: SCC



REGISTER TODAY!
Plan to attend and be encouraged.

Register online at:
www.tnstatelectureship.org

EVER WONDER ABOUT THE SOURCE
OF ALL OUR BLESSINGS?

“And all these **blessings** shall come on thee, and
overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of
the LORD thy God” (Deut 28:2).

“**Blessed** by the God and Father of our Lord Jesus
Christ, who hath **blessed** us with all spiritual blessings
in heavenly places in Christ” (Ephesians 1:3).

“A faithful man shall abound with **blessings** :
but he that maketh haste to be rich shall not be
innocent” (Proverbs 28:20).

“**Blessed** is the man that walketh not in the counsel of
the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor
sitteth in the sear of the scornful” (Psalm 1:1).

Blessed is that man that maketh the LORD his trust,
and respecteth not the proud, nor such as turn aside to
lies” (Psalm 40:4)

EAST JACKSON JOURNAL

Consistently about the business of Bridging Across To
Bring Them In, To Build Them Up, To Become Of Benefit
All to the glory of God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit

Matthew 28:18-20

Website: www.eastjacksoncofc.org

Lovell C Hayes - Minister

Samuel Jones - Minister
Shobek Dethrow –Minister



September 6, 2026

A friendly, caring congregation ready to serve and teach the bible to East Jackson and beyond the glory of God.

ELDERS

Richard DePriest
Sonny Phillips
Thomas Pirtle, Jr
Jerry Truelove

DEACONS

Culinary Ministry
Senior Saints
Joe Reeves
Thomas Curry

Educational Ministry
Bruce Ingram
Cedric Hampton, Sr

Inside Facilities Ministry
Blanks Branick

Media Ministry
Kenneth Mercer

Outside Ministry &
Transportation Ministry
Morris Denwiddie

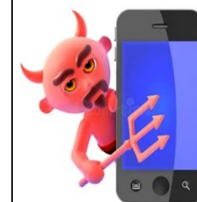
Worship Ministry
Jackie Dodson, Sr.
Terry Smith

Young Adult Ministry
Reginald Davis, I

Ministry Leaders
Involvement Ministry
Tony Black

Compassion Ministry
Middle Adult Ministry
Alexander Smith, III

Security Team Ministry
Patrick Willis



DEVILISH DEVICES

2 Corinthians 11:3 But I fear, lest somehow, as the serpent deceived Eve
by his craftiness, so your minds may be corrupted from the simplicity that
is in Christ.

In the May/June 2026 issue of the AARP Bulletin, I was stunned by the
following headline: “More than 75 million Americans (1 in 5) have an
account with an online sports betting service”. The article went on to point out how many
have become addicted and lost hundreds of thousands of dollars in these apps, with a large
number of them being people aged 55 and older. Online data operators collect “troves of
data on customers” which allow them to target their audience. When a customer slacks
off or tries to quit, they use that data to lure them back in.

In light of this, I could spend much time warning about the unholiness of covetousness
which leads many to gamble. But remember this: the gambling system is designed for you
to lose! In spite of the ads that spin you as a potential winner and the occasional “winner”
put forth in the media, the fact is the same: the system is not designed to give you money.
It is designed to take your money! Gambling is not godly and addiction is unholy. No
wonder Paul warns in 1 Timothy 6:10 *For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil,
for which some have strayed from the faith in their greediness, and pierced themselves
through with many sorrows.*



My focus in this article is on the fact that things which can be used for good or
that can be neutral are also used by the devil for deception and devouring
souls. Paul teaches that Satan will take advantage of us if we are ignorant of
his devices (2 Corinthians 2:11). The devil uses devices to devour with his devices. Satan
uses devices (internet, cell phones, tablets, apps, social media, etc) to devour with his
devices of *the lust of the flesh, lusts of the eye, and the pride of life* (1 John 2:16).

Through our electronic devices, Satan seeks to devour us through gambling, pornography,
false doctrine and misinformation. This is not to say that our devices are bad. They are
only “bad” when we use them in a “bad” way for “bad” things and especially for those
things which do not coincide with the will of God. They are only “bad” when we allow
Satan to corrupt our minds and draw us into habits because he appeals to our desires and
entices to sin, *and sin, when it is full-grown, brings forth death* (James 1:13-15). Therefore,
remember the warning of James at the end of that text: **Do not be deceived** (James 1:16).
And if you have fallen in the devil’s trap, repent and turn back to God. Confess to Him
remembering that *He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all
unrighteousness.* (1 John 1:9). Then follow that up with changes necessary to continue to
walk in the light and get help if you need it.

— L. C. Hayes

ORDER OF SERVICES

OPENING SERVICE
Richard DePriest

SONG DIRECTOR
Weldon Phelps (AM)
Rufus Whitmore (PM)

SCRIPTURE READING
Larry Davis

PRAYER
Sonny Phillips (AM)

OFFERING &
COMMUNION
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ANNOUNCEMENTS
Bobby Gray

CLOSING SERVICE
Jerry Truelove

BAPTISMAL WORKER
Joe Reeves

USHER
Keith Luster
Minor Reed
Marion Williams
James Hurt, Jr

Sunday Evening
Worship Service
at 5:30 p.m.



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On-line Giving



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Or <https://giving.servantkeeper.com/ejcofc.2328>

Or Website:
www.eastjacksoncofc.org

Please remember to set your cell phone to vibrate or silent during the worship services.



Announcements and Upcoming Events



Senior Saints Monthly Meeting & Luncheon
Tuesday, Sept 8th at 11:00 am. Members are to bring there favorite dish to share with others.

Sisters' Ministry ~Think Tank~
A place to Share~ Inspire- Empower



Think Together, Grow Together, Impact Together

Saturday, September 12th @ 9:30 am
Vance Fellowship Hall

Sisters join the THINK TANK :
a space for women of all ages to come together, share ideas, experience thoughts, and collaborate on ways to strengthen our ministry, church families and community. Your Voice Matters Together, our ideas create lasting change Check out the Sisters table for more information.



VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED

We are making planning for National Night Out this year. There will be a information meeting on Wednesday, Sept 9th @ 5:15pm here in the conference room. Young Adults, Middle Adults, Senior Saints, we need our help in planning for this event.

WE LOVE VISITORS

We're glad you chose to come & worship with us today. Feel free to attend any and all of our services, classes and events. Please take a moment to fill out a blue visitors card and turn in to one of our ushers.



Our MINISTERS APPRECIATION DAY SUNDAY, SEPT. 20th

We are giving honor to men who stand Firmly on the Word of God. Bro Lovell Hayes has been with us since June 1994 & Bro Samuel Jones with us since February 2016 and Bro Shobek Dethrow has been with since March 2025.

We are planning a meal on that day. What we need YOU to do is sign-up, if you are planning on attending this event.. Deadline will be Sunday, Sept. 13th



FREE PROSTATE CANCER SCREENING
is free for men age 50 and older and is being provided through West Tennessee Medical Group Urology and the Alice and Carl Kirkland Cancer Center, a service of Jackson-Madison County General Hospital.
Date: Monday, September 21, 2026
Time: 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Location: West Tennessee Medical Group – Urology
700 West Forest Avenue, Floor 4, Suite B, Jackson, TN
Appointment Phone: 731-541-1742

We need each member to follow, like, view and engage with our videos on our East Jackson Church of Christ Facebook page if possible. This is another tool to get the word out to the masses.



PRAYER LIST

Sis Jacqueline Waller, Ann Cole, Joyce Jarmon, Audrey Bray, Nella Ray, Judy Williams. Tamara Ragland-Henning, Bobbie Guess, Ruth Womack, Phyllis Staten, Diane Awatt, Acquanetta Collier, Patricia Kirk, Lue Helen Martin, Betty Jones, Terry Ragland, Marthenia Barbour, Alsenia Conner, Eunice Exum, Jennette Gladney, Francheska Grimes, Angela Harvey, Elizabeth Harrison, Hattie Johns, D. Jean Morris, Everjean Parson, Brenda Pearson, Farris Phillips, Helen Pirtle, Terry Ragland, Hazel Ragland, Earline Ransom, Loustisha Richardson, Corene Steele, Rosie Trice, Vanessa Truelove, Frances Turner, Louvenia Walker, Barbara Warlick, Viennese Yarbrough, Bro. George Gray, Ferdie Waller, JC Cockrell, Lloyd Johnson, Albert Jeffries, Sr, Roger Bowles, David Greer, Richard McClain, Thomas Pirtle, Jr, Daniel Terry, William Kirk, are asking for prayers for health, strength and good test results.

Bro William & Sis Rose Branick,
Bro James & Sis Hazel Ragland
Bro William & Sis Patricia Kirk
Sis Elaine Haynes is AHC Nursing Home in Rm 219 B.



Sis Earline Mckinney is in Maplewood Center Rm 208.
Sis Betty Jones is in Northbrook Health Center RM #406
Sis Jacqueline Waller is now home.
Bro L.J Britt is in Vanderbilt in Nashville



East Jackson Church Family
Please keep our family members in prayers. Plus those asking for prayers on behalf of their family and friends who are dealing with health and medical issues

We have a number of member who are traveling on this weekend. They are asking for traveling grace there and back safely.



Please be safe and enjoy your weekend.



I do not want my life to be perceived as nothing more than noise, but as beautiful music that inspires, soothes, and uplifts. When we recognize and utilize our special gifts and talents, grace and inspiration is ours to behold.



NURSE ON CALL SEPTEMBER 2026

6th Janice Cole & Debra Reed
13th Brenda Triplett & Michelle Johnson
20th Kim Whitmore & Angelina Brown
27th Stalita Rivers & Kenndy Johnson

If you are unable to server please give Sis Brenda Triplett a call at 731-267-0818.



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS 2026

Fannie Fuller 07
Ann Cole 08
Gwenda Hardville
Mattellis Rogers
LaToya Boyd 10
Stronda Parker 12



Kenneth& Angela Mercer will celebrate their **40th Wedding Anniversary** on **September 6th.**

Eric & LaToya Boyd will celebrate their **27th Wedding Anniversary** on **September 8th**

CHURCH CALENDAR
September 2026



Sept 8th Senior Saints Monthly Meeting & Luncheon– Potluck 11:00 am
Sept. 12th Sisters Ministry
THINK TANK Event 9:30am
Sept. 19th Brother Ministry Fellowship
Sept. 20th Revival Sunday—
Ministers Appreciation Program
Sept 25th Senior Saints Outing -