

Green's Lake Road church of Christ

"Holding forth the word of life" (Philippians 2:16)

August 2, 2026

GREEN'S LAKE ROAD CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Bible Correspondence Course

Call or write us to enroll.

Schedule of Services

Sunday . . . 9:30 a.m.
and 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday . . 7:00 p.m.

Elders

Larry Clark
423-624-2591

Redgie Carter
423-838-0684

Josh Perry
423-718-5130

Deacons

Danny Brown
Les Clark
Tony Parris

Evangelists

Joshua Lance
931-314-3621

Jim Lewis
423-867-9499

Announcing the 2026 Fall Term of the

Chattanooga School of Preaching and Biblical Studies

At Green's Lake Road:

Each **Monday** night: first class session on **August 24 . . .**
last class on **November 16**

7:00 p.m. – **Psalms** (Eric Garner)

8:00 p.m. – **Book of Isaiah** (Ron Gilbert)

9:00 p.m. – **Bible Foundations** (Jim Lewis)

At Union Grove (4889 Bates Pike SE, Cleveland, TN):

Each **Tuesday** night: first class session on **August 25. . .**
last class on **November 17**

7:00 p.m. – **Book of Revelation** (Mark Stephenson)

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- ♦ All classes are **free** of charge & open to all who are interested.
 - ♦ This is a great opportunity to grow in knowledge, faith, and confidence in our ability to communicate God's word to others.
 - ♦ No pre-registration is required. Registration is done on the first night of class.
 - ♦ Please contact Jim Lewis if you need more information (423-867-7115 or glrchurchofchrist@att.net).

Filtering Filth

Are you more of a book person or a movie-watcher? How much time do you spend watching TV? What about videos on YouTube? Do you watch shows on streaming services such as Hulu, Apple TV, Amazon Prime, or Netflix?

True/false – It is evil for a person to seek a way to relax. False. Jesus once exhorted His disciples to go to a place and rest (Mark 6:31).

True/false – It is possible that a person might allow his life to revolve around entertainment. True. Let us not forget that even in things that are lawful/ appropriate, we should not be brought under their power, that is, not become addicted to them (1 Corinthians 6:12).

True/false – Our speech and actions come from the heart. True. Our Lord said, *“A good man out of the good treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is good; and an evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is evil . . .”* (Luke 6:45). It is not a shocker, then, that the Bible also says, *“Keep thy heart with all diligence: for out of it are the issues of life”* (Proverbs 4:23).

If you understand that what we “take in” with our eyes and ears goes a long way in shaping our thinking and character, and if you are a person who is committed to abstaining from the lusts of the flesh (1 Peter 2:11), and if you have no desire to set any wicked thing before your eyes (Psalm 101:3), then some current-day “tools” may be of interest to you. It is up to us to filter filth and prevent it from invading our heart/mind. With that in mind, let me mention three helpful tools. One is free; two are not.

The free one is the web site Kids-In-Mind [<https://kids-in-mind.com>]. For most modern-day movies, it will show three categories of information for a particular movie: (1) violence, (2) sexual content, and (3) profanity. You can type in the name of a movie and it will tell you about all three of the above. Using it prior to watching a movie can help you decide whether something is fit for you and your family’s consumption or not.

The second tool is a language filter, a “cuss buster” called “TV Guardian” (see it at www.tvguardian.com). With the right setup, it will remove about 95% of profanity on TV shows and movies. We have used this before and really liked it, but you need to read the details to know the setups with which it is compatible. Note: It will *not* remove foul language for *live* TV programming.

The third tool is the “Vid-Angel” app (check it out at www.vidangel.com). This is an online service that costs \$10 per month. You can have it on a computer, smart phone, and on at least some Fire TVs. Roku TVs previously had the Vid-Angel app available, but that no longer is the case. What does this service do? It removes violence and gore, sexual content, and profanity. Each user decides what settings they want to use . . . strict or moderate. In our family, we are big Vid-Angel fans, and we use the strict settings.

Vid-Angel does not work on live TV shows. It only works on movies or shows that are on Netflix, Amazon Prime, or a few other streaming services. Two key thoughts: (1) In order to use Vid-Angel on Netflix shows/movies, for instance, you first must have a Netflix account; (2) **Not**

all Netflix, Amazon Prime, or other movies/shows are available for viewing on Vid-Angel. Some are, some are not. If you have questions about the details of using Vid-Angel, please ask me or my marvelous wife in person.

Yes, it costs money to use Vid-Angel and remove filth. In the big picture, though, it could cost a person a lot more than money if they do not have in place a filter-the-filth plan. My stomach knots up and my heart breaks when I see and hear members of the church praising/recommending shows or movies which, if unfiltered, fill one's ears, eyes, and mind with ungodliness.

I have not always made good choices in regards to what I have allowed my eyes and ears to take in. I am not proud to admit that, but the truth is the truth. I am trying to do better, and I do not hesitate to encourage others to take advantage of free and non-pricey tools that filter filth. Proverbs 4:23 and that bit about **keeping our hearts with all diligence** . . . Yep, that is still relevant in the 21st century.

In case anyone is wondering, when I give "a plug" for the three tools mentioned in this article, no, I do *not* get any financial benefit from the three companies involved. In addition, I have no desire to try and dictate to anyone else what they may or may not watch. I am just one redeemed beggar trying to help my fellow servants maintain a heart that strives to think on good things and keep out the garbage (Philippians 4:8).

-- Roger D. Campbell

Our shut in or in special care facilities:

Carole Gass, Judy Hillis, Wanda Hogan, Sue Lowery, Lindy & Madelyn McNabb, Jean

Morgan, Betty Padilla, Audie Webb

Special prayer requests:

Ukraine, family of Natasha Clark, Sergei Boiko & family, Christians, end of war

Rutherford/Perry Families, passing of Kathy

Wanda Hogan, ongoing medical issues

Patton Garrett, awaiting results from biopsy recently taken during endoscopy

Debbie Harris, dialysis, good improvement in her health after recent surgery

Beth McCollum, experiencing added health problems, passing out and dizziness

Tony Parris, hip replacement scheduled for August 27th

Ariel Hancock, cancer, receiving treatment

Eddie Howe, medical issues

Family of Yong DeGraff, brother -law-passed away

Mary, friend of Rosetta Meacham, serious health issues

Those with cancer: Keith Walker, Rita Vaughn, Donna Hixon

Directory Update: Please add the following information to your directory: **Joshua and Esmeralda Lance, Emily, Luke & Anna**, 8553 Harold Duncan Way, Knoxville, TN 37931

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When communicating with Joshua, it is best to text him as he is often busy in classes and/or studying and unable to take calls. He will respond by either call or text when he is available to do so. Thank you!

Great Day! Our annual Youth Lectures were a great success! The lessons were encouraging and applicable, the singing uplifting, and the Christian fellowship such a blessing! There were 90 in attendance and 13 different congregations represented!

***NO MEN'S MEETING THIS MONTH*
RESCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER**

**WHAT MUST I DO TO
BE SAVED?**

Hear the gospel
(Romans 10:17)

Believe in Jesus as God's
Son (Acts 16:31)

Repent of past sins
(Acts 3:19)

Confess faith in Jesus
(Romans 10:10)

Be baptized for remission
of sins (Acts 2:38)

Live faithfully
(1 Corinthians 15:58)

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Our statistics:

July 29 Bible classes	26
July 26 a.m. worship	51
July 26 Bible classes	47
July 26 p.m. worship	40
July 31 contribution	\$2940

Works Supported by Green's Lake Road

- * Sergei Boiko (Cherkassy, Ukraine)
- * Mark Lance (Chalmette, LA)
- * Joshua Lance (Southeast Institute of
Biblical Studies, Knoxville, TN)
- * Potter Children's Home
- * FTI Children's Home (India)
- * In Search of the Lord's Way TV program
- * International Gospel Hour radio program
- * Nathan Keith (Tri-Cities S of Preaching)

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Order of Worship – August 2, 2026

Announcements	Josh Gilbride (a.m.) Larry Clark (p.m.)
Opening prayer	Eddie Howe (a.m.) Rick Rutherford (p.m.)
Bible reading	Les Clark (a.m.) Alex Clark (p.m.)
Closing prayer	Ron Barrow (a.m.) Josh Perry (p.m.)

“Let all things be done decently and in order”
(1 Corinthians 14:40)