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## Today's News...This Morning

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Friday, July 10, 2015

Athens, Tennessee

### State and Local News

#### ◆ 3 HOSPITALIZED AFTER CHURCH VAN CRASH

Fourteen people were taken to hospitals after a collision between a church van from Zion Hill Baptist Church in Englewood and a pickup truck on Highway 30 near the National Guard Armory Thursday morning. Ten children were on the van, along with the driver and an adult chaperone. The chaperone was airlifted to UT Medical Center after suffering a hard bump to her head. One child was taken to UT with injuries to his mouth. The other occupants of the van were treated at Starr Regional's emergency rooms in Athens and Etowah. The driver of the pickup was also taken to a Knoxville hospital. Investigators say he apparently pulled out of Showbarn Road into the path of the van, which was taking the children on an outing to Rock City and the Discovery Museum in Chattanooga. Cody Casteel, the director of Children's Ministries at Zion Hill, expressed thanks to God that it wasn't any worse. He said "God really protected them." Casteel also thanked all emergency personnel who responded. (Photo courtesy of WTVC-TV).



### NATIONAL & WORLD NEWS

- ◆ Governor Nikki Haley has signed the bill to remove the Confederate flag from the lawn of the South Carolina Capitol. It was prompted after 9 people were murdered at a Charleston church.
- ◆ The U.S. agency burglarized by suspected Chinese hackers has completed its long-awaited damage assessment. More than 22 million people inside and outside government likely had their personal information stolen.

### COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE

- ✓ Downtown Summer Nights continues this Saturday with "Girls Night" on the downtown stage across from the Courthouse in Decatur. Opening at 7 p.m. will be Emmy McKenzie, Kinslee Greene, and The Clark Girls. The headliner, Angel Thurman, will take the stage at 8 p.m.
- ✓ The Sounds of Summer Concert at the Market Park Pavilion in Downtown Athens this Saturday at 7 will feature Savannah Roberts and Just Us Bluegrass. The concert is sponsored by Hiwassee Builders Supply.
- ✓ Tonight is Karaoke Night at the Etowah Area Senior Center. The show starts at 6 p.m. On Saturday, July 11, the Etowah Senior Center presents Elvis and More "Memories in Music" featuring Thomas and Stephanie Cunningham from Seymour, TN.



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**WEEKEND WEATHER FORECAST**  
**Friday** - Sunny. High - lower 90's.  
**Friday night** - Partly cloudy. Lows - upper 60's to lower 70's.  
**Saturday** - Mostly sunny. 20% rain & t'storms. Highs - upper 80's to lower 90's.  
**Sunday** - Mostly sunny. 30% rain & t'storms. Highs - upper 80's to lower 90's.  
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**Church News and Events**

- Ivan Parker will be singing at 6 p.m. on July 19th at Pope Avenue Baptist Church in Athens. Parker is seen regularly on the Bill and Gloria Gaither and their Homecoming Friends television shows and videos.
- Watson Chapel will have Homecoming this Sunday at 11 a.m. Rev. Ellis McClary from Knoxville will be the guest. Lunch will be served.
- Zion Hill Baptist Church in Englewood will have Vacation Bible School July 12-15 at 6:30 p.m. nightly.
- Coghill Baptist Church, 104 County Road 810, will have Camp Discovery VBS July 12-17 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. nightly. Commencement will be Friday night, with food and fellowship.
- Rev. Matthew Cox, pastor of MDC Ministries, and members will gather at Athens Life Care on Frye Street this Sunday at 2:30 p.m. to look at the story and struggles of Job.
- Beulah Chapel Church of the Nazarene, Highway 68 North, 6 miles west of I-75 at exit 60 will observe their Homecoming Celebration on Sunday, July 19. Rev. Richard Reed will be guest speaker. Journey Home will sing. Lunch will be served in the fellowship hall. Worship service begins at 10:45 a.m.
- Randy Kington, speaker, Vietnam vet, and author of "What a Life" will speak at Zion Hill Baptist Church in Englewood on July 19th in the 11 a.m. service.

**Thursday's Market Report**

U.S. stocks closed higher with a rebound in Chinese equities and as optimism grew that the Greek debt crisis won't spread. In domestic economic news, jobless claims rose last week representing a pause in the pace of labor-market improvement as the nation's automakers begin temporary plant shutdowns. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was up 33.20 at 17,548.62. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was up 4.63 at 2,051.31, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was up 12.64 at 4,922.40.

**COMMODITY MARKET:** The spot price of gold rose \$2.85 to \$1,161.30. The spot price of silver rose \$0.33 to \$15.49, and crude oil prices rose \$1.16 to \$52.81.

**JULY 4TH FATALITIES LOWEST ON RECORD**

The Tennessee Highway Patrol says five people were killed in traffic crashes during this year's Fourth of July holiday period. That's a decrease from the 12 vehicular deaths during the 2014 Fourth of July period. There were three vehicle occupants, one motorcyclist, and one pedestrian killed this year. One of the traffic fatalities was alcohol-related and one was not wearing a seat belt. Troopers arrested 59 people on suspicion of DUI and issued 1,350 seat belt citations. The State Patrol says the five fatalities this year rank as the lowest number of traffic deaths during the Fourth of July holiday period on record. The previous low was eight fatalities in 2011. The highest number of fatalities occurred during the July 4th holiday period in 1996, when 27 people were killed in traffic crashes.



The Mayfield Visitor Center reopened yesterday after being closed for almost a month for renovations. The Visitor Center held a "free ice cream day" to commemorate the reopening. In the photo on the left is Mayfield President Scottie Mayfield feeding some ice cream to his grandchildren. In the photo on the right is Caitlyn Guiton trying her "hand" at milking a cow. Caitlyn is from Ohio and was visiting the center with her grandparents, Randy and Cheri Harrison of Athens. (Photos by Cheri Harrison)

