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## Santa Run

The Englewood Rural Fire Department held its Annual Santa Run on Christmas Eve riding the streets and giving out toys to the kids.

Photo by Lynn Ingram, Englewood Rural Fire Department



## Community News You Can Use

- ✓ The Etowah Library Board will hold their regular meeting at 5 p.m. on Monday, January 5<sup>th</sup> (1/5/23) at the library. This meeting is open to the public.
- ✓ The Friends of the Etowah Carnegie Library will be holding their monthly book sale from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. on Saturday, January 14<sup>th</sup> (1/14/23). The book sale is on the first floor of the library. For more information, call (423) 263-9475 or visit us online at [www.etowahlibrary.com](http://www.etowahlibrary.com).

## Governor Grants Clemency

- ✓ Governor Bill Lee has granted clemency to 16 people, including two inmates who will be eligible for parole. Lee approved 13 pardons and three commutations, including the elimination of parole restrictions for one 78-year-old man who has been out of prison for 18 years. Fourteen of the 16 recipients are no longer in prison. The 78-year-old man is William Mee from Meigs County who will no longer live under parole limitations.



## Happy New Year

The Morning Fax will not publish tomorrow and Monday. Happy New Year to everyone. We will see you on Tuesday.

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**2023**

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and Monday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>



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## Obituaries

♦ **William Franklin Keylon**, age 83, of Athens, passed away Wednesday, December 27<sup>th</sup> at Dominion Assisted Living. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Smith Funeral & Cremation Services of Athens.

**WEDNESDAY'S MARKET REPORT:** Equities fell sharply. Asian markets are generally lower except for major Chinese indexes, which are traded higher. European markets were also lower. Yields are higher. The price of oil is noticeably higher but still lower over a several-week timeframe. WTI crude finished just below \$79. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was down 365.85 to 32,875.71. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was down 46.03 to 3,783.22, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was down 139.94 to 10,213.29.

## Bills Effective January 2023

A collection of laws will become effective on January 1, 2023. One of these is tax relief to farmers. The law exempts farmers from sales tax on items and services used for agriculture production, including building materials, repair services and labor, among other expenses used in agriculture production. The tax reduction totals \$2.8 million, and does not include items such as automobiles, household appliances, or fuel used in vehicles that travel on public highways in the state.

## Church News and Events

- Planted In Christ Outreach Fellowship, 317 Maple Street, in Athens, invites you to attend Outreach Deliverance Classes every Thursday at 7:00 p.m.

- If you have suffered the loss of a loved one, Mars Hill Presbyterian Church of Athens now offers a Griefshare program each Sunday at 2:00 p.m. For more information call 423-829-5052.

- Celebrate Recovery meets at the following churches: The Englewood Church of God every Sunday at 6 p.m. and Woodward Avenue Church of God every Tuesday at 6 p.m.

### ◆ COVID-19 VIRUS UPDATE

Weekly Summary: 12/18/22 - 12/24/22

There were 1,414 cases (per day) and 2 deaths (per day) last week

Tennessee: 2,428,930 Total Cases      28,557 Total Deaths

COUNTY	CASES	DEATHS
McMinn	19,397	282
Meigs	4,066	62
Monroe	17,627	269
Polk	5,522	89
Bradley	38,030	446
Rhea	11,509	166

Covid-19 update information from the Tennessee Department of Health is updated on Saturday and posted to their website each Wednesday.



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As we stand at the doorway leading out of 2022 and into 2023, none of us know what Lies on the other side of that door.



What will the New Year Bring? It is our hope here at The Morning Fax that 2023 will bring you health, prosperity, and happiness.