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WORSHIP TIMES

Sunday: Bible Class	10:00 AM
Worship	11:00 AM
Worship	6:00 PM

Wednesday:

Bible Class	7:00 PM
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FOR THE RECORD

Sunday AM

Bible Study	50
Worship	72
Contribution	\$2258

Sunday PM

Worship	55
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Wednesday

Bible Study	46
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God's Plan of Salvation

1. Hearing the word of God (*Romans 10:17; Acts 16:32*)
2. Believing what is taught (*Mark 16:16; Hebrews 11:6*)
3. Repentance (*Acts 2:38; Luke 13:3; Acts 17:30*)
4. Confession (*Romans 10:9, 10; Acts 8:37*)
5. Baptism (*Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16; 1 Peter 3:21; Romans 6:3, 4*)
6. After the above five steps, faithful Christian living (*1 Peter 2:11, 12; Revelation 2:10*)

The church of Christ

1. Bible is its only guide (*Romans 1:16; 1 Thess. 2:13*)
2. Wears a Biblical name (*Romans 16:16*)
3. Established at the right place (*Isaiah 2:2, 3; Acts 2*)
4. Established at the right time (*Joel 2:28-32; Acts 2*)
5. Established on the right person (*Matthew 16:18; Acts 2:36*)
6. Saved are in it (*Ephesians 5:23; Acts 2:47*)
7. Its members are enrolled in heaven (*Hebrews 12:23*)
8. Membership in it is obtained by obedience to God's commands including baptism (*Acts 2:41-47, 1 Cor. 12:13*)

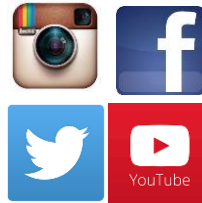
Our Mission Works

Garry Jones – India

The Mustard Seed Village, The Rainbow Village for Girls, & The Theophilus Bible Institute

Scott Shanahan – Pohnpei, Micronesia

Please follow us on



Serving the Congregation April 17, 2016

	<u>AM</u>	<u>PM</u>
Song Leaders:	Joey Smith	Rick Caudle
Opening Prayer:	Herman Herren	Joey Smith
Lord's Table:	Dwight Nicholson, Daniel McInturff, Bob Hamby, Tim Nygard	
Closing Prayer:	Jacob Mowery	Glen Morgan
PM Table:	Dale Mowery	
Announcements:	Dale Mowery	
Usher:		

Wednesday evening: April 20, 2016

Song Leader:	Ben Smith
Invitation:	Richard Bentley
Announcements:	Stump Smith

April 17, 2016

Clinton Chronicle ***

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A friendly church with a saving message

Why Does The Church Exist?

by Edd Sterchi

Why does the Lord's church exist? For what purpose did He build and purchase it? What does Jesus want us as His body to be doing? A study of the Scriptures will reveal that the church exists to:

* **Exalt God.** Eph. 3:21 mentions that God is given glory in the church. The church exalts God through proper worship and actions that honor Him. Everything what the church does should be to the glory and praise of the One who created it. The church is to always be offering spiritual sacrifices to God (1 Pet. 2:5).

* **Evangelize the world.** In Acts 13-14 (as well as many other places in that book), we see Paul and company preaching the word of God to lost souls. This was a church sponsored mission (Acts 13:1-3; 14:27) which was in obedience to the Great Commission of Christ (Matt. 28:18-20). The church evangelizes through proper preaching and teaching. The church is the keeper and proclaimer of the truth (1 Tim. 3:15).

* **Edify the believers.** In Eph. 4:16, we can see that when the body (the church) is joined together, encouragement and edification take place. These are to take place every time the church properly gathers and fellowships. This helps to keep the church energized which affects so many others (2 Cor. 9:2).

* **Equip the Saints.** Eph. 4 also gives us another thing that should take place in the church – equipping the saints for service (v.12). It is vital that the church be developing it's members for the most effective use of their talents. This comes about through proper education, mentoring, and training programs (cf. 2 Tim. 2:2).

* **Ease the burdens of the needy.** In 2 Cor. 9:13, Paul commends the church at Corinth for their "liberal sharing with...all men." The church should be concerned about helping those in need, both within and without. The church does this through proper benevolence programs and projects. This helps to get the name of the church (and her Lord) out in the community (Acts 2:44-47).

Obviously after studying these, it begs the question: "Why does the church here exist?" Are we glorifying God in all of our efforts of the above? Could we do more as a congregation? Are you helping this church in these areas? Let's resolve to do all that God asks us to do – in His name, by His authority, for His glory!

If you're visiting with us today – WELCOME! – We're glad you're here!

CLINTON CALENDAR

Today	Friends & Family Day
Today	Fellowship Lunch
Today	2 PM Afternoon Worship
April 24	Song Service/Fingerfoods
May 21	Youth Trip: Knoxville Zoo
June 5	Bentley/Pippin Shower

Welcome FRIENDS & FAMILY!

We welcome all of our guests this morning! Please stay with us after this morning's worship service for a fellowship meal. You are our honored guest!

Our afternoon worship today will be at 2:00pm. There will be no 6:00 service.

INDIA MISSION NEEDS

Garry Jones is collecting empty medicine bottles for medical missions in India. Please make sure that bottles are washed and air-dried with the labels removed.

BIBLE CLASSES

Our new quarter for classes has begun. Jimmy Ashworth is teaching a discussion-type class in the fellowship hall on the topic of "Worship" for anyone that is interested. Daniel McInturff also has a small group discussion class available for teens and anyone else interested that meets in the fellowship hall on Wednesday nights.

WEDDING SHOWER

We will host a wedding shower for Mason Bentley and Amber Pippin on June 5. The wedding is May 21 in Dickson, TN. See Susan Smith with any questions.



CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Anna Kate Hackworth, Clinton Elementary School's "Student of the Month" for March 2016!

AREA-WIDE DEVOTIONALS

The 2016 schedule for area-wide youth devos is posted on the youth board in the foyer. No devos will be held during the summer. We will host a devo here at Clinton in September.

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

Don't forget about our Bible Story & Art Class on Wednesday nights! The kids have really been enjoying it and are learning a lot. This week's lesson and craft will focus on Samuel.

ZOO TRIP

We will visit the Knoxville Zoo on Saturday, May 21, for anyone that is interested in going.

THANK YOU

Thanks to the Silver Saints who gathered last Wednesday and got a head-start on getting the building cleaned up. Also thanks to everyone who came out yesterday for our work day!

SCHOOL'S OUT PARTY

We will host a "School's Out Party" for our young people here at the building on June 11. All youth are invited to come kick off summer!!

**Please share your child's accomplishments in the bulletin!*

PRAYER REQUESTS

Bryan Brown, from the Lake City congregation, has been diagnosed with B-cell non-Hodgkins lymphoma. He is awaiting the results of further tests to see what type of treatment is needed. He will have an MRI and pet scan this week.

Alyne Matthews continues to recover from a fractured vertebra.

Belle McCoy, a friend of Carol Burt, may be diagnosed with cancer.

Mary Lou Ramsey, Herman Herren's sister, is in need of our prayers.

Gerri, Sarah Mefford's sister, may be dealing with cancer.

Wilma Cardwell, a friend of Ouita Northcutt, is in the last stages of cancer.

Dawn Love, Elaine Stevenson's daughter, is very ill with cancer.

Norma Cooper, Sue Hale, Mary Gilley, Jimmy Redden, & Jo Rutherford continue to be shut in and need our prayers, encouragement, calls, cards, and visits.

Continue to remember: Chloe Bass, Theresa Bean, Donna Benjamin, Kim Burt, Steve Burt, Tammy Burt, Lee Carden, Lisa Carr, Rick Caudle, Lakhilata Chakma, Greg Cline, Don Cox, John Crawhorn, Mary Jo Dailey, Fred Davis, Fran Denton, Nasha Foster, Amanda Harness' mother, Howard Herren, Beulah Jackson, Lee LaMay, Linda Laughter, Connor Livingston, Sharon Martin, Norma Jean McGhee, Betty McInturff, Carolyn Mitchell, Joel Peters, Anna Phillips, Bobbie Sue Phillips, Ron & Susan Reagan, Carolyn Scruggs, Misty Smith, Flossie Spradling, Cheryl Taylor, Alex Thomas, Denzil Thompson, Andrew Verble, Harrison Waldron, Thomas Wales, Franklin Wharton, Steve Yearwood

Cancer Treatment: Ruby Durst, Gail Foust, Stanley Hash, Gary & Marilyn Jones, Dawn Love, Stanley McInturff, Kathy Schankowitz, Leah Seiber

Shut-In: *At home* – Mary Gilley, Sue Hale, Ken Smith, Elmira Trentham; *Morning Pointe* – Norma Cooper, Jo Rutherford; *Golden Living* – Jean Dye, Jimmy Redden, Kenneth Schultz; *Cumberland Village LaFollette* – Ella Mae Burchfield; *Summit View* – Ann Nygard

Updates to the Prayer List can be sent to churchofchristclinton@gmail.com or given to Joey Smith.

AREA EVENTS

LaFollette church of Christ Gospel Meeting with Bill Bryant is April 17-21.

Tazewell church of Christ Breakfast Meeting is Thursday, April 21 at 9:00am.

Rogersville church of Christ Area-Wide Singing is Sunday, April 24 at 2:30pm.

Southeast Institute of Biblical Studies Annual Lectureship will be April 24-27 at Karns church of Christ. This year's theme is "GROW: Becoming Like Jesus." They are again in need of pies or desserts if you are able to donate. See the flyer in the foyer for more info.

South Knoxville church of Christ Ladies Day with speaker Jody Miller is April 30.

Lenoir City church of Christ Ladies Day with speaker Kelly Epperson is April 23.