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FOR THE RECORD

Sunday AM

Bible Study	45
Worship	76
Contribution	\$1929

Sunday PM

Worship	47
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Wednesday

Bible Study	45
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*A friendly church with
a saving message*

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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GOD'S PLAN OF SALVATION

- **Hear** the word of God (Romans 10:17; Acts 16:32)
- **Believe** what is taught (Mark 16:16; Hebrews 11:6)
- **Repent** of your sins (Acts 2:38; Luke 13:3; Acts 17:30)
- **Confess** the name of Jesus (Romans 10:9, 10; Acts 8:37)
- **Be Baptized** (Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16; 1 Peter 3:21; Rom 6:3, 4)
- **Live Faithfully** (1 Peter 2:11, 12; Revelation 2:10)

Our Mission Works

Garry Jones – India
The Mustard Seed Village, The
Rainbow Village for Girls, & The
Spiritual Sword Bible Institute,
Antioch Program

**Scott Shanahan – Pohnpei,
Micronesia**

Please follow us on



Serving the Congregation December 4, 2016

	AM	PM
Song Leaders:	Joey Smith	Ben Smith
Opening Prayer:	Dale Mowery	James McCrary
Lord's Table:	Herman Herren, Greg Jernigan, Eric Mowery, Buck Herren	
Closing Prayer:	Daniel McInturff	Eric Mowery
PM Table:	Stump Smith	
Announcements:	Dwight Nicholson	
Usher:	Jim Ashworth	

Wednesday evening: December 7, 2016

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

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Living to Please God

Ray Wilson

There is an old Spanish parable told of a man, a boy and a donkey. They were all three walking down a dusty road on a hot, summer day. They overheard some passerby say, "Look at those foolish people walking when, at least, one of them could be riding the donkey." Not wanting to appear foolish, the father climbed upon the donkey. It was not long until another onlooker remarked, "Look at that inconsiderate man making that poor, little boy walk." Upon hearing this, the father and son exchanged places and still, they had not satisfied their fellowmen who said, "Look at that young man riding and the old man walking in the heat of the day." The father then got on the donkey with his son. They had only ridden a short distance when another passerby exclaimed, "Look at that poor donkey carrying those two people. They should be carrying the donkey instead." So, the man and the boy tied the donkey's legs to a pole and proceeded to carry the donkey. Everyone then exclaimed, "Look at those foolish people!"

This is a good illustration showing that people will find something wrong no matter what we do! There will always be someone who will be there to condemn our efforts regardless of what we do or how we do it! We, as Christians, need to remember that our main objective is to please God and not man!! Brothers and sisters, don't become discouraged by unwarranted criticism. Remember the words of Jesus, "Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake. Rejoice and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven..." (Matthew 5:11,12).

If you are visiting with us today – **WELCOME!** We are glad to have you!

CLINTON CALENDAR

Dec 10 Youth Christmas Gathering
Dec 25 Evening Song Service
Dec 31 New Years Eve Game Night
Feb 24-26 CYC

SYMPATHY

We extend our sympathy to Betty Weaver in the loss of her brother-in-law, **Virgil Weaver**, after a battle with cancer. Virgil's wife, Jean, continues to battle cancer.

NEW DIRECTORIES

Please check your information on the table at the rear of the auditorium. We will be publishing a new congregational directory at the beginning of the new year. Make any corrections, changes, or additions that you need on these sheets or put a check mark beside your entry if it is correct.

DIGITAL PARENTING SEMINAR

The West End Church of Christ will be hosting an internet safety seminar for parents on Dec. 10 with Chad Landman, a graduate of Freed-Hardeman. The event is from 9:00 to 2:00 and a catered lunch will be served at no cost to you. West End is asking folks to RSVP for the event, so if you are interested in attending, please let Joey Smith know.

FRUIT ORDERS

Karen Hamby is taking orders for boxes of fresh fruit in support of the Clinton High School Band. Please see Karen if you are interested in ordering fruit and helping out the Dragon Band.

MCMINN COUNTY TORNADO

We also want to remember in prayer our neighbors in McMinn County where a tornado passed through last week. Twenty people were injured and 30 structures were damaged.

YOUTH GATHERING

Our youth will meet here at the building for a Christmas gathering this Saturday, Dec. 10 at 6:00pm. Bring some party food to share. This year for our fun activity, we will do a "Secret Santa Sock Exchange." Please bring one pair of crazy holiday socks filled with candy. We will also be working on our winter cookie project. More info on that below!

COOKIE PROJECT

As part of our youth gathering on Dec. 10, we need everyone to bring one batch of cookies for our annual Cookie Project. We will assemble cookie bags for our widows and widowers.

VBS SHIRT RE-ORDER

If you did not get a red VBS shirt earlier this summer and would like one, please see Joey Smith and let him know what size you need. We will be placing a second order soon.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT KIDS CLASSES

Come back on Wednesday for our Kids Bible Story and Art Class. There are several items that the children have made that are on display in the Resource Room - come take a look! We also have a nursery class available for our littlest ones!

CHALLENGE YOUTH CONFERENCE

CYC will be Feb. 24-26, 2017 at the LeConte Center in Pigeon Forge. We must register by Dec. 31, so please let Joey know ASAP if you are planning to go. The cost to go is \$55.

Our beloved Buckhead Lodge that we have stayed in for the past six years was completely destroyed by the wildfire last week. The owners of the lodge, Ed and Tari Furey, took quick action and placed us in another lodge. We are thankful for them and want to remember them specifically in prayer as they deal with this loss.

**Please share your child's accomplishments in the bulletin!
Email them to churchofchristclinton@gmail.com.*

PRAYER REQUESTS

Laura Bentley had thyroid surgery last week. She is now recovering at home.
Janella Melton fell at home and is in Room 267 at Methodist in Oak Ridge. She had surgery on Friday.
Kayla Mefford is scheduled for surgery on Dec. 22. She had a pre-op appointment and pre-surgery testing last week.
Amy Nicholson is home from the hospital, but will be returning in the near future for surgery.
Corwin Brown, a dear friend of Ron and Susan Reagan, is in the hospital in Nashville with severe fluid on his legs.
Jean Weaver, sister-in-law of Betty Weaver, continues to battle cancer.
Jack Stearsman has been placed under Hospice care.
Joyce Stearsman will be having surgery soon.

Continue to remember: Rimikay Bachelor, Theresa Bean, Donna Benjamin, Beverly Burt, Kim Burt, Steve Burt, Lee Carden, Lisa Carr, Lakhilata Chakma, John Crawhorn, Mary Jo Dailey, Fred Davis, Nasha Foster, Howard Herren, Dicey Humphrey, Beulah Jackson, Kyle Jennings, Lee LaMay, Connor Livingston, Mary Majors, Sharon Martin, Norma Jean McGhee, Carolina Grace McClemore, Betty McInturff, Carolyn Mitchell, Joel Peters, Anna Phillips, Mary Lou Ramsey, Carolyn Scruggs, Misty Smith, Flossie Spradling, Jackie & Joyce Stearsman, Elaine Stevenson, Sucramoni, Cheryl Taylor, Alex Thomas, Denzil Thompson, Darlene Thurman, Andrew Verble, Harrison Waldron, Thomas Wales, Steve Yearwood, Agge Yobin

Cancer Treatment: Gail Foust, Stanley Hash, Betty Holt, Belle McCoy, David McCoy, Stanley McInturff, Kathy Schankowitz, Leah Seiber, Jack Stearsman, Joshua Stokes, Tiffany Vann, Jean Weaver

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

GATLINBURG FIRE PRAYER REQUESTS

Please remember in prayer all those affected by the devastating wildfire that swept through Sevier County. Some updates to those we know about:

- *Thirteen people are confirmed dead at this time. 1,000 structures have been affected.
- *Several families from both the Gatlinburg and Great Smoky Mountains churches of Christ lost their homes in the fire.
- *One member of the Great Smoky Mountains congregation has passed away. She suffered a heart attack while escaping the fire and subsequently passed away in the hospital.
- *The building of the Gatlinburg Church of Christ was completely destroyed.

FIRE RELIEF EFFORT

Thanks to the generosity of the folks in our region, at this time, no more donations of water or supplies are needed. If you would like to contribute to a relief fund established by the Gatlinburg church of Christ, you may give your donations to Joey Smith or send them in directly by mail to Gatlinburg Church of Christ, PO Box 361, Gatlinburg, TN 37738.