

# Clinton Church of Christ

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Richard Bentley	264-0560
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## FOR THE RECORD

### Sunday AM

Bible Study	58
Worship	97
Contribution	\$2310

### Sunday PM

Worship	—
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### Wednesday

Bible Study	47
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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 February 19, 2017

	AM	PM
<b>Song Leaders:</b>	Jacob McCrary	Tim Melton
<b>Opening Prayer:</b>	Herman Herren	Joey Smith
<b>Lord's Table:</b>	Dwight Nicholson, Daniel McInturff, Josh Patton, Tim Nygard	
<b>Closing Prayer:</b>	Jacob Mowery	Hobert Humphrey
<b>PM Table:</b>	Ben Smith	
<b>Announcements:</b>	Jim Ashworth	
<b>Usher:</b>	Stump Smith	

### Wednesday evening: February 22, 2017

<b>Song Leader:</b>	Joey Smith
<b>Invitation:</b>	Richard Bentley
<b>Announcements:</b>	Herman Herren

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# Clinton Chronicle

Feb. 19, 2017

## The Tactics of the Tactful

Neal Pollard

"To ensure people listen to you, insult their race, politics, and intelligence. Be sarcastic. Be close-minded. Don't attempt to hear what they have to say. Do not gently reason and certainly do not be patient and thoughtful. Courtesy should be thrown to the wind, along with assuming the best and thinking before speaking. Inflammatory statements are sure to win the hearts of people on the fence or on the other side of the issue from you. When they disagree or offer a dissenting view, really let them have it. Call them names, make baseless assumptions and accusations, and angrily dismiss them. Persuade them with harsh, rude, coarse, crude words and phrases, and even resort to cursing to strengthen your point."

I don't suppose I've ever seen anyone give the advice above, but an incredibly large number of people seem to have adopted those very tactics through social media to promote their own points of view and to attack those of others. Beyond the right and wrong of specific issues, there is the attitude and demeanor the Christian is to maintain. The late Wendell Winkler would often tell us "preacher boys" that "you can be right and still be wrong." How sad to lose the moral high ground of an issue because we yield to the fleshly tendency to rip, tear, and insult "the other side."

Scripture counsels this approach instead: "Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving each other" (Ephesians 4:32); "The Lord's bond-servant must not be quarrelsome, but be kind to all, able to teach, patient when wronged, with gentleness correcting those who are in opposition" (2 Timothy 2:24-25a); "Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good" (Romans 12:21); "Let your speech always be with grace, as though seasoned with salt, so that you will know how you should respond to each person" (Colossians 4:6); "A gentle answer turns away wrath, But a harsh word stirs up anger" (Proverbs 15:1).

Oh, sure. People will rationalize their ugly, insulting speech through distorting the words and actions of Jesus, Paul, and others. People often rationalize their sin and disobedience. How many have done the same thing in the face of Scripture commanding baptism and teaching the singular nature of the church? But, make no mistake about it! Venomous, hateful, insulting speech is not the way of the faithful Christian. The source of that is from a distinctly different direction!

Be convicted and courageous, but cloak it in Christlike kindness! In addition to being right, it will be far more successful. May our goal be to win hearts and souls and not just arguments!

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

## CLINTON CALENDAR

Feb 19	Bowling Outing
Feb 24-26	CYC
Feb 26	Song Service/Fingerfoods
Mar 11	Young-At-Heart Dinner
Mar 25	McInturff Baby Shower
Mar 26	Song Service/Fingerfoods

### BOWLING OUTING

Everyone who is interested is invited to go bowling at Oak Ridge Bowling Center immediately after services today. You may eat lunch along the way, or this is a grill at the bowling center that will also serve lunch.

### NEW COPIER TRAINING

If you would be interested in attending a training class for our new copier, please let Joey Smith know when you would be available. A representative from the copier company will be here to conduct the class on a weekday that is convenient for everyone who would like to attend.

### YOUNG-AT-HEART DINNER

Mark your calendars for our Young-At-Heart Dinner on Saturday, March 11 at 5:00pm here at the building. This dinner is for any and all "over 50" members here at Clinton and will be served by our youth. Please sign the list in the foyer if you plan to come.

### BULLETIN BOARDS

If you are willing to create one of our bulletin boards in the foyer this year, please see Joey Smith. We have four or five bulletin boards that could use your creativity!

### BABY SHOWER

We will have a baby shower on Saturday, March 25 at noon for Ashley McInturff. She, Daniel and Elle will soon be welcoming a baby boy, Maddux Paul McInturff. Gift cards from Target and Babies R Us would be most helpful to them.

### CHALLENGE YOUTH CONFERENCE

CYC is THIS WEEKEND in Pigeon Forge. The cost to go is \$55. If you haven't yet paid, please give your money to Joey Smith this week. We will meet here at the building around 5:00 on Friday and plan to leave by 5:30.

### YOUTH CALENDAR

Our youth calendar for the year is available in the foyer. Most of our big events are now scheduled. We will have other gatherings and outings that will be added throughout the year, so remember to pay attention to the bulletin and to the congregation's Facebook page.

### AREA-WIDE YOUTH DEVOS

The next area-wide youth devotional will be March 5 at Karns Church of Christ. We hope to take a group, so please make plans and be sure to let Joey Smith that you'd like to go.

### 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!

*\*Please share your child's accomplishments in the bulletin! Email them to [churchofchristclinton@gmail.com](mailto:churchofchristclinton@gmail.com).*

## AREA EVENTS

### AREA-WIDE SINGING

The Tazewell Church of Christ will host an area-wide singing on Sunday, Feb. 26 at 2:30pm.

### FOREVER HIS SPRING DAY CAMP

Karns Church of Christ will be hosting the Forever His Spring Day Camp on Saturday, April 1.

### SOUTHEAST INSTITUTE LECTURESHIP

The SEIBS Lectureship for 2017 will be April 23-26 at Karns Church of Christ.

## PRAYER REQUESTS

**Bill Campbell**, a frequent visitor here at Clinton, reports that his father is now at home and is improving, and that his mother received good results on her medical tests. He will be back here on Monday to take them to several doctors appointments.

**Elaine Nicholson**, daughter-in-law of Dwight and Doris, will have cranial surgery for a tumor on the first vertebrae in her neck on Feb. 28.

**Melissa Everetts**, Ron and Susan Reagan's daughter, is undergoing tests to discover more about health issues and to determine a course of action.

**Kayla Harwell** continues to recover from surgery.

**Janella Melton** was able to be here with us on Wednesday evening.

**Amy Nicholson** continues to need our prayers.

**Jean Perkins** is in need of our prayers, calls, and cards.

**Rhonda**, Jean Perkins' daughter, is in need of our prayers as she battles breast cancer.

**Chloe Bass** has been dealing with some sickness. If you would be interested in helping send her a Sunshine Basket, please see Laura Bentley.

**Josh Deaton**, Ashley McInturff's brother, has been diagnosed with cancer.

**Mack Muse**, father of Mark Muse and a member at the LaFollette church, had knee surgery on Friday and will start rehab this week.

**Garry Jones** will be traveling for the next 10 days with the Antioch Program into some areas of great unrest in India. Please pray for his safe return to the Mustard Seed Village and for those traveling with him as well.

**Continue to remember:** Jack Almroth, Rimikay Bachelor, Theresa Bean, Donna Benjamin, Beverly Burt, Kim Burt, Steve Burt, Lee Carden, Lisa Carr, Lakhilata Chakma, Fred Davis, Nasha Foster, John Harris, Howard Herren, Dicey Humphrey, Beulah Jackson, Polly Keck, 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, 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:** Rachel Austin, Josh Deaton, Gail Foust, Betty Holt, Belle McCoy, David McCoy, Stanley McInturff, Kathy Schankowitz, Leah Seiber, 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

Updates to the Prayer List can be sent to [churchofchristclinton@gmail.com](mailto:churchofchristclinton@gmail.com) or given to Joey Smith.

### SYMPATHY

We extend our sympathy to Bunny Nash in the loss of her brother, Stan Hash, in Texas last week. Stan was Bunny's youngest brother.