

# Clinton Church of Christ

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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

## GOD'S PLAN OF SALVATION

- **Hear** the Gospel (*Romans 10:17; Acts 16:32-34, 1 Cor. 15:1-2*)
- **Believe** Jesus is the Son of God (*John 8:24; Hebrews 11:6*)
- **Repent** of your sins (*Luke 13:3; Acts 17:30*)
- **Confess** faith in Jesus Christ (*Romans 10:9-10; Matt. 10:32*)
- **Be Baptized** (immersed) for forgiveness of your sins (*Acts 2:38; John 3:5; Rom 6:3, 4*)
- **Live Faithfully** (*2 Peter 1:10-11; 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 July 9, 2017

	<b>AM</b>	<b>PM</b>
<b>Song Leaders:</b>	Rick Caudle	Joey Smith
<b>Opening Prayer:</b>	Dwight Nicholson	Stump Smith
<b>Lord's Table:</b>	Dale Mowery, W.T. Crider, Tim Melton, Steven Wagner	
<b>Closing Prayer:</b>	Jacob Mowery	Tim Melton
<b>PM Table:</b>	Tim Nygard	
<b>Announcements:</b>	Herman Herren	
<b>Usher:</b>	Stump Smith	

## Wednesday evening: July 12, 2017

**Song Leader:** Ben Smith  
**Invitation:** Jim Ashworth  
**Announcements:** Dale Mowery

## FOR THE RECORD

<b>Sunday AM</b>	
Bible Study	—
Worship	83
Contribution	\$2770
<b>Sunday PM</b>	
Worship	46
<b>Wednesday</b>	
Bible Study	35

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# Clinton Chronicle

July 9, 2017

## The Parable of the Pump

Michael Light

Once there was a man lost in the desert, near death from thirst. He wandered aimlessly through the burning sand for many days. At long last he saw an oasis far in the distance. Its palm trees indicated a source of water. He stumbled forward feverishly and fell beneath the shade of the trees.

Finally, he might quench his tortured thirst. But he noticed something strange about this particular oasis. Instead of a pool of water, or a well, or a spring bubbling up from the ground, the man found a pump. And beside the pump were two objects-- a small jar of water and a parchment note.

The note explained that a leather gasket within the pump must be saturated with water for the pump to work. Within the jar was just enough water for this purpose. The note also warned the reader not to drink from the jar. Every drop must be poured into an opening at the base of the pump to soak the heat-dried gasket. Then, as the leather softened and expanded, an unlimited supply of sweet water would be available. The parchment's final instructions were to refill the container for the next traveler's use.

The man faced a dilemma. He was dying of thirst, and he had found water. Not much, of course. Maybe not even enough to save his life. But it seemed the height of folly to pour it down the base of the pump. On the other hand, if the note was accurate, by pouring out the small quantity of water, he would then have all he wanted. What should he do?

The above parable illustrates a number of truths and principles which apply directly to us today. One of the primary lessons has to do with trust. The man had some water yet he had the promise of an abundance of water.

We today have a similar promise in God's word. If we trust in God, and will give Him the life that we now have, He has promised eternal life to us in return. In Matthew 10:22 we read, "And ye shall be hated of all men for my name's sake: but he that endureth to the end shall be saved." Jesus promised us in John 10:10, "...I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly."

Let's put our trust in Jesus and pour out the water in the here and now knowing that He will be our eternal fountain of blessing in the hereafter.

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

## CLINTON CALENDAR

July 9	New Adult Classes begin
July 9	India Newsletter folding
July 22	VBS Workday
July 23-27	VBS
Aug 4	Back-to-School Movie Nite
Aug 13	Youth Devo @ Clinton
Sept 23	Virginia Creeper Bike Ride

### INDIA NEWSLETTER FOLDING

We will meet today at 4:30 to fold the latest issue of Garry Jones' India Mission Newsletter. Please come and lend a hand if you can!

### VBS PROPS

Our VBS theme is "Trailblazers for the Faith." We are in need of props for our class and story rooms: barrels, ropes, wagon wheels, lanterns, etc. Please see Joey Smith if you have any of these items to donate for the week. Please make sure your name is somewhere on the item.

### VBS FOOD

Ruth Ashworth is beginning to collect monetary donations for anyone interested in helping out with VBS food and snacks. Please see Ruth with any questions.

### ADULT BIBLE CLASSES

Our adult classes, beginning this quarter, will be as follows: in the auditorium, Dale Mowery will be finishing up Micah and then Dwight Nicholson will begin a study of the prophet Amos. In the fellowship room on Sunday morning, starting July 9, Tim Melton will be teaching from David Pharr's book "The Beginning of Our Confidence," and he will also be teaching from the same book in the Wednesday evening class starting July 12. Tim will have a copy of this book for each person who attends class to write in and make notes. Come be a part of Bible study!

### NEW BABY GIRL

Baby Audrey Egerton, who has been on our prayer list for several weeks, was born last week and was 6lbs 10oz and 19 3/4 inches long. She was immediately taken to the NICU. Doctors hoped to take her off the CPAP machine on Friday. Gail Sharp will keep us updated on her condition.

### CONGREGATIONAL DIRECTORIES

Copies of the latest directory are available on the table at the rear of the foyer. We will also be printing an update/corrections sheet for any new addresses or omissions, so please see Joey Smith if you have anything to include.

### CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to our very own Josh Patton upon being named "Mr. TCC" for Week 3 of Teenage Christian Camp last week. We are so proud of you, Josh!

### TEENAGE CHRISTIAN CAMP

Week 4 of Teenage Christian Camp begins today. Applications can be mailed in or online at [www.teenagechristiancamp.org](http://www.teenagechristiancamp.org).

## AREA EVENTS

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS

- LaFollette Church of Christ: July 16 - 20
- Highland View Church of Christ: July 22
- Rockwood Church of Christ: July 22

### BIBLE DISCOVERY DAYS

Eastside Church of Christ: July 22, 9:00 to 1:00, ages nursery through 6th grade.

### GOSPEL MEETING

Eastside Church of Christ: July 9-12

### LADIES INSPIRATION DAY

West End Church of Christ: Aug 19

### MARRIAGE SEMINAR "HIS SHOES/HER SHOES"

Lenoir City Church of Christ: Aug 25-26

## PRAYER REQUESTS

**Georgia Herren** is in the hospital at Tennova North, Room 4026. She will be there for an extended period of time.

**Lee Carden**, Diane Carden's husband, has spent the last week in the hospital.

**Lisa Carr**, Sherry Bushey's daughter and Carol Burt's niece, is in need of our prayers and encouragement. She is coming out of a 4 month relapse of MS.

**Thelma Merrill** continues to need our prayers as she has more medical tests.

**Elbert Hash**, Bunny Nash's brother, fell and broke his hip.

**Sue Hale** has been in the hospital in Oak Ridge with a serious UTI. Please pray for her and her family as they care for her.

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

**Polly Keck** is in need of our prayers.

**Teri Blesi**, Janella Melton's daughter, is in need of our prayers.

**Cash Gonzalez**, Tim Melton's grandson, will have his tonsils removed in the next few weeks.

**Sandy Egerton** and baby **Audrey** need our prayers for good health and healing.

**Continue to remember:** Jack Almroth, Rimikay Bachelor, Donna Benjamin, Beverly Burt, Kim Burt, Steve Burt, Lee Carden, Lisa Carr, the Caylor family, Lakhilata Chakma, Fred Davis, Audrey Lynn Egerton, Melissa Everetts, Nasha Foster, Bernice Hammock, Jack Henry, 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, Becky Monday, Jean Perkins, Joel Peters, Anna Phillips, Mary Lou Ramsey, Carolyn Scruggs, Misty Smith, Flossie Spradling, Joyce Stearsman, Elaine Stevenson, Sucramoni, Cheryl Taylor, Denzil Thompson, Darlene Thurman, Andrew Verble, Harrison Waldron, Thomas Wales, Steve Yearwood, Agge Yobin

**Cancer Treatment:** Rachel Austin, Josh Deaton, Gail Foust, Elbert Hash, Betty Holt, Gabe Martin, Belle McCoy, David McCoy, Rhonda Perkins, Kathy Schankowitz, Leah Seiber, Joshua Stokes, Tiffany Vann, Jean Weaver, Gail Wilkinson

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

## CLINTON VBS

July 23-27

Sunday 6:00-8:00

Mon-Thurs 7:00-9:00

Classes for all ages - adults too!

Puppets - Singing - Crafts - Snacks & more!

Don't miss it!!!!!!

