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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	46
Worship	73
Contribution	\$2089

Sunday PM

Worship	37
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Wednesday

Bible Study	41
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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*)

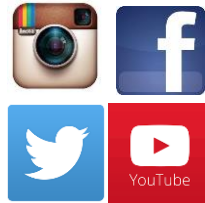
Our Mission Works

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 January 17, 2016

	AM	PM
Song Leaders:	Ben Smith	Rick Caudle
Opening Prayer:	Stump Smith	Herman Herren
Lord's Table:	Herman Herren, Daniel McInturff, Dwight Nicholson, Mike Olsen	
Closing Prayer:	Jacob Mowery	Glen Morgan
PM Table:	James McCrary	
Announcements:	Dale Mowery	
Usher:	James McCrary	

Wednesday evening: January 20, 2016

Song Leader: Dale Mowery
Invitation: Richard Bentley
Announcements: Stump Smith

January 17, 2016

Clinton Chronicle ***

Clinton church of Christ

A friendly church with a saving message

“Consumerism,” Enemy of the Church

Lance Cordle

I once read of a religious group in Minnesota that was building a new church building. In their design, there would be theater-type seating—with cup holders. One staff member commented that coffee is such a part of our culture, that people are going to bring it in, and therefore “we” (the church) must provide a place to put it (story in *Preaching Now*, August 1, 2006). I know there are expedients (things helpful to accomplish a purpose, but not necessary for its accomplishment) involved in many aspects of Christianity, but expedients are not to be the major factor in how we serve God.

Too, much emphasis on expedients can cause a person or group to become focused on the means (place, time, comfort, etc.) rather than the goal (worship and service to God). Preachers have been accused of “answering questions no one is asking”—that they are dwelling on things that are not relevant. However, today, I don't believe it is because preachers are irrelevant. Instead, I think it is because the average culture-driven person-in-the-pew is asking the wrong questions.

Today, people seem to be asking:

- Not, “Will it save souls?” But, “Will it fill seats?”
- Not, “What does the Bible say?” But, “Do I like it?”
- Not, “What did Jesus say/do?” But, “What are my friends saying/ doing?”
- Not, “Where will I spend eternity?” But, “Where can I go this weekend?”
- Not, “Who, as friend or mate will help me get to heaven?” But, “Who will please me and help me get more pleasure?”
- Not, “How do I get to heaven?” But, “How can I be satisfied?”
- Not, “Do I need this?” But, “Do I want this?”
- Not, “Will God be pleased?” But, “Will I be pleased?”
- Not, “What can I do for God?” But, “What is God going to do for me if I do this?”
- Not, “What can I do to help the church?” But, “What has the church done for me (lately)?”

We cannot be God-centered and self-centered at the same time (Mt. 16:21-23). We must seek the Lord through his word, not our own self-centered wants and wishes.

**If you are visiting with us today, welcome to the Clinton church of Christ!
We are so glad you are here!**

CLINTON CALENDAR

Jan 17	Youth Lunch & Meeting
Jan 31	Song Service/Fingerfoods
Feb 7-11	FHU Lectureship
Feb 10	Silver Saints
Feb 26-28	CYC

OUR 2016 THEME

Bookmarks with our 2016 theme "Faith in Action" are available in the foyer and throughout the building. Pick one up for yourself and several to pass out to friends and family!

BULLETIN BOARDS

If you would be willing to create a bulletin board in the foyer in 2016, please sign up on the list in the foyer. The Resource Room is full of supplies: idea books, paper, letters, posters, borders, cutouts, etc. [We need your help!!!!](#)

COMMUNION PREPARATION

The communion preparation list for 2016 is on the table in the foyer. Please sign up for a month if you are able to help with this most precious privilege.

2016 CALENDAR

The annual calendar for the Clinton congregation will be posted in the foyer within the next few weeks. Please take note of the events that are planned for the growth and encouragement of the church here. Mark your calendars at home!

BIBLE STORY & ART CLASS

Our new Wednesday night class for elementary age kids starts this week! Come and see what we will learn!



CHALLENGE YOUTH CONFERENCE

CYC 2016 is the weekend of Feb. 26-28. We are registered and ready to go! The cost to attend will be around \$55. Once again this year, the cost of our lodging has been offset by a loving and generous anonymous donor – thank you, once again! Please turn in your money to Joey some time before the end of January. [Parents – please see Joey to pick up an info packet and itinerary.](#)

PLANNING MEETING

All youth, parents, and families are invited to join in planning our 2016 calendar for the Clinton Youth Group on Sunday afternoon, today following our morning worship service. We will stay here at the building and have pizza for lunch. [Please bring either chips, drinks or desserts – pizza will be provided.](#) Please be sure to share your thoughts, ideas, and concerns during the meeting!

AREA-WIDE YOUTH EVENT

The Knoxville Area-Wide Youth Events are soon to kick-off for 2016. The first area-wide event will be at West End church of Christ on Sunday, January 31 at 4:30pm. The Karns church of Christ will host an area-wide event on Sunday, March 6 starting at 4:30pm. Please let Joey know if you are interested in going.

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

PRAYER REQUESTS

Norma Cooper is back home after a trip to the hospital last week.

Elle McInturff is now home after a week at Children's Hospital.

Betty Deising, Laura Bentley's mother, is recovering from a broken hip.

Danny Joe Strunk, Julia Mowery's father, is struggling with poor health.

Sue Hale is now at home with 24-hour care. She would enjoy visits; please just call first.

Jimmy Redden is at Golden Living in Clinton in very poor condition.

Cheryl Taylor, Amanda Brown's mother, will meet with an oncologist on Feb. 16.

Teresa Portwood, Joey and Susan Smith's neighbor, is struggling with heart issues that have been difficult to diagnose and treat.

David Douglas, a friend of the Caudles, is fighting a brain tumor. He played for the Vols and the NFL and is a well-known VFL (Vol for Life).

Continue to remember: Chloe Bass, Drew Battistelli, Mason Battistelli, Theresa Bean, Donna Benjamin, Kim Burt, Steve Burt, Tammy Burt, John & Sherry Bushey, Charles Butler, Lee Carden, Lisa Carr, Lakhilata Chakma, Greg Cline, Don Cox, John Crowthorn, Mary Jo Dailey, Fred Davis, Fran Denton, Nasha Foster, Amanda Harness' mother, Howard Herren, Beulah Jackson, Lee LaMay, Linda Laughter, Connor Livingston, Dawn Love, Sharon Martin, Norma Jean McGhee, Betty McInturff, Sarah Mefford, Carolyn Mitchell, Ronda Moss, Joel Peters, Anna Phillips, Bobbie Sue Phillips, Ron & Susan Reagan, Jo Rutherford, Carolyn Scroggs, Adam & Becca Seiber, Misty Smith, Flossie Spradling, Alex Thomas, Denzil Thompson, Andrew Verble, Harrison Waldron, Thomas Wales, Franklin Wharton, Steve Yearwood

Cancer Treatment: Bill Cash, Ruby Durst, Gail Foust, Stanley Hash, Gary & Marilyn Jones, Kathy Schankowitz, Leah Seiber

Shut-In: Ella Mae Burchfield, Norma Cooper, Jean Dye, Helen Gilbreath, Mary Gilley, Sue Hale, Ann Nygard, Jimmy Redden, Kenneth Schultz, Ken Smith, Rosemary Summers, Elmira Trentham

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

SYMPATHY

Our sympathy goes out to Cindy Jones in the passing of her uncle, **Gerry Kell**, at the age of 90. He lived in Clearwater, FL. Funeral services will be in Rome, GA. Mr. Kell leaves 2 children, son Brian Kell and wife Denise of Clearwater, FL and daughter Laura Reville and husband Roger of Vienna, Maine.

GSM MARRIAGE RETREAT

The 2016 Great Smoky Mountain Marriage Retreat will be Feb. 17-20 in Pigeon Forge & Sevierville.

SEIBS LECTURESHIP

The Southeast Institute of Biblical Studies Lectureship is April 24-27 this year. The theme is: "Grow – Becoming Like Jesus." All lectures are located at the Karns church building. We will be assisting by providing pies again this year.