

# Clinton church of Christ

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### WORSHIP TIMES

<b>Sunday:</b> Bible Class	10:00 AM
Worship	11:00 AM
Worship	6:00 PM

### Wednesday:

Bible Class	7:00 PM
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### Sunday AM

Bible Study	34
Worship	70
Contribution	\$1785

### Sunday PM

Worship	43
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### Wednesday

Bible Study	42
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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*)

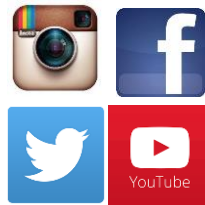
### THE CHURCH OF CHRIST

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 MISSIONS

Garry Jones: **India**  
Scott Shanahan: **Micronesia**  
Jim Waldron: **India**  
Our members: **Clinton & Anderson County, TN**

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### Serving the Congregation July 12, 2015

	<u>AM</u>	<u>PM</u>
<b>Song Leaders:</b>	Ben Smith	Rick Caudle
<b>Opening Prayer:</b>	Mike Smith	Dale Mowery
<b>Lord's Table:</b>	Hobert Humphrey, Greg Jernigan, Mike Olsen, John Bushey	
<b>Closing Prayer:</b>	Eric Mowery	Ritch Traub
<b>PM Table:</b>	Ben Smith	
<b>Announcements:</b>	Dale Mowery	
<b>Usher:</b>	James McCrary	

### Wednesday evening: July 15, 2015

**Song Leader:** Ben Smith  
**Invitation:** Richard Bentley  
**Announcements:** Dale Mowery

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# Clinton Chronicle \*\*\*

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A friendly church with a saving message

## Too Many Choices

Psychologist Barry Schwartz, author of the 2004 book *The Paradox of Choice: Why More Is Less*, says that one thing that over-complicates life in modern society is the multitude of choices we have.

For example: In his grocery store alone there are 285 varieties of cookies, 75 iced teas, 230 soups, 40 toothpastes, 275 cereals, 175 salad dressings. If you go to the electronics store in search of a stereo, and take into account the various speakers, CD players, tuners, amplifiers, and other components you can choose from, there are 6.5 million different stereo systems you can construct!

Schwartz talks about the time he went to pick out some jeans. The clerk wanted to know if he wanted: slimfit, easy fit, relaxed fit; button fly or zipper fly; stone washed or acid washed; distressed; boot cut; tapered? Schwartz said, "I want the kind that used to be the only kind."

And it's not just consumer choices: Because of technology, we have the ability to work every hour of the day from anywhere on the planet, and so we continually face the choice of whether to work or not.

There are many more lifestyle choices, such as when to marry and how many kids to have. Many are coming up with their own morals. Schwartz calls attention to a cartoon that pictures a couple of blank stone tablets, a chisel, and the caption: *The Ten Commandments Do-It-Yourself Kit*.

Schwartz's point is that some choice is good, but too much is overwhelming, and he believes it's one of the reasons for the widespread depression in our culture. Too much choice has two negative results: *Paralysis*. Faced with too many choices, some people find it difficult to choose at all. *Dissatisfaction*. With so many choices, it's easy to imagine you could have made a better one. "I could have had a better stereo!" "I could have picked a better husband." It's a recipe for unhappiness. \*

There are so many choices to make! Yet Joshua challenged the people of Israel (and us!) with one fundamental choice:

*"And if it seems evil to you to serve the LORD, choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the River, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you dwell. But as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD."* – Joshua 24:15

There are many gods in our land that we can choose to serve. But there is only one true living God. He created us in His image (Genesis 1:26-27). Even though that image has been marred by our sins (Romans 3:23), He still loves us and wants to save us from sin (1 Timothy 2:4).

Because of His great love for us, God sent His One and Only Son into the world to give His life on the cross to redeem us from sin (John 3:16; Ephesians 1:7) and to give us the gift of eternal life (Romans 6:23). God will save those who place their faith and trust in Jesus (Acts 16:30-31), turn from their sin in repentance (Acts 17:30-31), confess Jesus before men (Romans 10:9-10), and be baptized (immersed) into Christ for the forgiveness of sins (Acts 2:38). He will continue to cleanse from sin those who continue to walk in the light of His Word (1 John 1:7).

The choice is clear: there is only one God. Won't YOU make the choice to serve Him? -- David A. Sargent

## CLINTON CALENDAR

Today	Jones Newsletter folding
Today	VBS Meeting
Today	India Mission Presentation
July 19	Ladies Day Meeting
July 26-30	VBS
Aug 2	Ashworth Baby Shower
Aug 30	Teacher Appreciation
Sept 19	Ladies Day
Nov 7	EDP Breakfast
Oct 4	Clinton Homecoming

### VBS MEETING

We will have a VBS Meeting today at 5:30pm. If you are helping out with VBS, please be here!

### JONES NEWSLETTER

Garry Jones needs help folding his next newsletter for the mission work in India. Please come today at 4:30 to help.

### VBS FOOD

There are signup sheets in the foyer for VBS snacks. If you prefer to donate money, please see Ruth Ashworth.

### TODAY'S SPEAKER

Richard and Laura are traveling to Missouri. In his absence, Garry Jones will be our speaker this morning. He will make a presentation this evening updating us on the India work.

### SILVER SAINTS

There will be no meeting of the Silver Saints this month.

### LADIES DAY MEETING

All ladies are invited to a Ladies Day meeting on Sunday, July 19.



### VBS IS 2 WEEKS AWAY!

VBS flyers are available in the foyer. Take some and pass them out to friends and family. There is NOTHING as effective as a personal invitation.

### SCHOOL SUPPLY GIVEAWAY

As a community outreach project, we are collecting elementary school supplies to donate to local students. There will be boxes in the lobby to drop off items.

### MILK JUG LIDS

Thanks to everyone who donated milk jug lids for our Bible School craft project. Lesley reports that we now have enough.

### BABY SHOWER

We will host a baby shower for Aaron and Kaydee Ashworth on Sunday, Aug. 2 following evening services. The Ashworths are expecting a boy!

### T-SHIRTS

We will be ordering more Clinton church shirts. If you want one, please see Joey ASAP!

### CLOTHING GIVEAWAY

The Lake City church of Christ will host a Clothing Giveaway July 25 from 9:00 to 1:00.

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

## PRAYER REQUESTS



**Fran Denton**, Drew Battistelli's grandmother, continues to need prayers.

**Jo Rutherford, Sue Hale, & Norma Cooper** are all at Morning Pointe.

**Sharon Shoopman** is now home.

**Garry Jones** fell at home and injured his back.

**Allie Jennings**, Brenda Jennings' granddaughter, is undergoing medical tests.

**Sarah Mefford** continues to suffer a great deal of back pain from a lumbar strain.

**Misty Smith**, Jean Perkins' granddaughter, is going to Vanderbilt soon for surgery.

**Michelle Rowland**, a friend of Gail Sharp, continues to need our prayers.

**Kayla Mefford** is in need of prayers as she struggles with some health problems.

**Mykal Daniels**, a teacher at Horizons camp at Freed-Hardeman, was killed in an auto accident while traveling to FHU. Please remember her husband and children in prayer.

**Parker Stanley's son, Andrew**, is now in nursing school. Parker has asked us to remember him in our prayers.

*Continue to remember:* Chloe Bass, Mason Battistelli, Donna Benjamin, Willard Beshires, Ella Mae Burchfield, Kim Burt, Steve Burt, Tammy Burt, Charles Butler, Lisa Carr, Melissa Caylor, Lakhilata Chakma, Greg Cline, John Crawhorn, Mary Cressy, Mary Jo Dailey, Fred Davis, Fran Denton, Joseph Dillman, Joyce Evans, Nasha Foster, Gail Foust, Helen Gilbreath, Mary Gilley, Riley Hackworth, Sue Hale, Tim Hutson, Beulah Jackson, Greg Kell, Lee LaMay, Linda Laughter, Phyllis Leslie, Connor Livingston, Sharon Martin, Norma Jean McGhee, Carolyn Mitchell, Ronda Moss, Ann Nygard, Joel Peters, Bobbie Sue Phillips, Cordia Reagan, Ron & Susan Reagan, Jimmy Redden, Kenneth Schultz, Nathan Shaw, Sarah Shaw, Helen Shepherd, Sharon Shoopman, Ken Smith, Flossie Spradling, Elaine Stevenson, Rosemary Summers, Jack Taylor, Denzil Thompson, Elmira Trentham, Andrew Verble, John Verble, Franklin Wharton, Trisha Woosley, Steve Yearwood in your prayers.

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

### VISITATION NEED

The elders of the Rockwood congregation have asked us to help in visiting Mrs. Jean Dye. She is at Golden Living Center here in Clinton, Room 221. Her cell phone number is 813-455-3909. If you are able to make a visit, please let one of our elders know.

### SYMPATHY

We express our sympathy to Sue Hale in the passing of her sister, **Maydeane Asbury**. Her funeral was Saturday in Waverly, TN.

We express our sympathy to the family of Margaret Allen who passed away last week. Margaret was the sister of June Miller and the daughter of Robert and Cora Sadler, very early members of the Clinton congregation.

### AREA NEWS

**LaFollette church of Christ** will host **VBS** July 19-23. **Highland View church of Christ VBS** will be Saturday, July 18. **Eastside church of Christ – Maryville** will have VBS July 17-18.