

## Clinton church of Christ

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Tim Nygard	482-4103
Hubert Sharp	494-8537
Joey Smith	773-8259

#### Evangelist:

Richard Bentley	264-0560
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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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## FOR THE RECORD

### Sunday AM

Bible Study	54
Worship	71
Contribution	\$1791

### Sunday PM

Worship	56
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### Wednesday

Bible Study	44
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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 January 18, 2015

	<b>AM</b>	<b>PM</b>
<b>Song Leaders:</b>	Hobert Humphrey	Dale Mowery
<b>Opening Prayer:</b>	Herman Herren	Jim Ashworth
<b>Lord's Table:</b>	Dwight Nicholson, Daniel McInturff, Bob Hamby, Tim Nygard	
<b>Closing Prayer:</b>	Jacob Mowery	Ritch Traub
<b>PM Table:</b>	Ben Smith	
<b>Announcements:</b>	Mike Smith	
<b>Usher:</b>	Hubert Sharp	

### Wednesday evening: January 21, 2015

**Song Leader:** Joey Smith  
**Invitation:** Richard Bentley  
**Announcements:** Mike Smith

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# Clinton Chronicle \*\*\*

Clinton church of Christ

A friendly church with a saving message

## 200 Pounds of Trash

Alan Smith

Fred Craddock tells the story of a missionary family in China who was forced to leave the country sometime after the communists took over.

One day a band of soldiers knocked on the door and told this missionary, his wife, and children that they had two hours to pack up before these troops would escort them to the train station. They would be permitted to take with them only two hundred pounds of stuff.

Thus began two hours of family wrangling and bickering -- what should they take? What about this vase? It's a family heirloom, so we've got to take the vase. Well, maybe so, but this typewriter is brand new and we're not about to leave that behind. What about some books? Got to take a few of them along. On and on it went, putting stuff on the bathroom scale and taking it off until finally they had a pile of possessions that totaled two hundred pounds on the dot.

At the appointed hour, the soldiers returned. "Are you ready?" they asked. "Yes." "Did you weigh your stuff?" "Yes, we did." "Two hundred pounds?" "Yes, two hundred pounds on the dot." "Did you weigh the kids?" "Um, . . . no." "Weigh the kids!"

And in an instant the vase, the typewriter, and the books all became trash. Trash! None of it meant anything compared to the surpassing value of the children.

If only it were that easy for us. If we had to make a physical choice, the choice would be easy. What's worth more -- your child or a computer? If you could only take one with you, which would it be? That's easy; it's a no-brainer. But seldom does the choice come wrapped in such easy-to-open paper.

Too often, it sounds more like this: What's more important -- spending time with your family or staying at work a couple of extra hours to get caught up? "Don't ask me to make that choice! My family is important to me. It's just that I really need to get this done! After all, I'm only doing it for provide for them." Still, there are times when the question won't go away: Which is more important?

And there are times when we are forced to admit that we've been gathering hundreds of pounds of "trash" while neglecting that which is of greatest importance.

"But what things were gain to me, these I have counted loss for Christ. Yet indeed I count all things loss for the excellence of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them as rubbish, that I may gain Christ." (Philippians 3:7-8)

But God bless each one of you with the wisdom to choose that which is of greatest value.

**If You're Visiting With Us Today – WELCOME! - We're Glad You're Here!**

## EVENTS CALENDAR

Jan 18	Youth/Family Meeting
Jan 25	Romines Wedding Shower
Jan 25	Song Service/Fingerfoods
Jan 25	KCS Winter Carnival
Jan 25	West End Youth Devo
Feb 11-15	GSM Marriage Retreat
Feb 22	Smith Shower
Feb 27-Mar1	CYC

### THINK SOULS BOOKMARKS

Our 2015 theme bookmarks are now available in the foyer and all bulletin racks. Take one for yourself and plenty to pass out to friends!

### COMMUNION SIGN-UP

The sign up list for preparing communion in 2015 is now in the foyer. Please sign up if you are willing to help out. Thanks!

### BULLETIN BOARDS

If you would like to take a turn decorating one of our lobby bulletin boards in 2015, please sign up in the foyer. We have all the decorating supplies you'll need in the Resource Room!

### SHOWERS

The Clinton congregation will host a wedding shower for JT Romines and Haley Robison on Sunday evening, Jan. 25, during our fingerfood fellowship.

We will have a diaper shower for Susan Smith on Feb. 22. Baby Boy Smith is due at the end of March.

**THIS WEEK'S PANTRY ITEM:** Ready-to-Eat Soups in microwaveable containers



### YEARLY PLANNING MEETING

ALL YOUTH AND PARENTS - please stay after services today for our 2015 planning meeting and lunch. All are invited, regardless of age. All ages are included in the Clinton Youth Group, from newborns to college kids.

### CONGRATULATIONS

Jacob Mowery is "Student of the Month" at Anderson County High School.

### CHALLENGE YOUTH CONFERENCE

CYC 2015 is Feb. 27 – March 1. The cost to go this year is \$35 per person. Please give your money to Joey within the next month.

### T-SHIRTS

We have Clinton church of Christ t-shirts for sale for \$10. They are on display at the rear of the auditorium today.

### KCS WINTER CARNIVAL

Knoxville Christian School will have a Winter Carnival on Sunday, Jan. 25 from 1 to 4pm. Please see the Youth Board in the foyer for more information.

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Joseph Dillman, who has been on our prayer list for quite some time, is a little boy in our community fighting cancer. His 11<sup>th</sup> birthday is coming up on Jan. 22. If you would like to send a card, please mail it to Joseph Dillman, 102 Moccasin Hollow Lane, Clinton, TN 37716.

## PRAYER REQUESTS



**Carlos Herren** is now home from the hospital.

**Hayden Evans** continues to be in the hospital in Oak Ridge Room 450.

**Cheryl Taylor**, Amanda Brown's mother, is at UT Hospital undergoing testing.

**Tabitha Pigman Murray**, Arthur and Charlotte Pigman's daughter, had gall bladder surgery last week.

**Casey Jackson**, Garry and Cindy Jones' granddaughter, will have her wisdom teeth removed on Tuesday.

**Russell Stansberry**, a friend of the Pattons, had surgery to remove a brain tumor.

Continue to remember: Phyllis Leslie, Sue Hale, Mary Gilley, Jim & Barbara McCrary, Jean Humphrey, Joyce Evans' grandson, Andrew Verble, Tim Hutson, Greg Kell, Delphia Rose, John Hill, Lisa Bullock, Flossie Spradling, Ray Bolden, Luke Jarrett, Kenny Reagan, Ella Mae Burchfield, John Crawhorn, Denzil Thompson, Steve Yearwood, Charles Butler, Sharon Martin, Joseph Dillman, Ron & Susan Reagan, Mary Jo Dailey, Ronda Moss, Joel Peters, Greg Cline, Carolyn Mitchell, Nathan Shaw, Sharon Shoopman, Bobbie Sue Phillips, Lisa Carr, Sarah Shaw, Linda Laughter, Lee LaMay, Beulah Jackson, Nasha Foster, Mary Ruth McInturff, Donna Benjamin, Connor Livingston, Mason Battistelli, Kenneth Schultz, Rosemary Summers, & Ann Nygard in your prayers.

Please see our extended **Prayer List** on the **Prayer Board** in the foyer. Updates to the Prayer List can be emailed to [churchofchristclinton@gmail.com](mailto:churchofchristclinton@gmail.com) or given to Joey Smith.

### PRAYER REQUESTS

**Melissa Caylor** responded to the invitation asking for forgiveness and for prayers. Please remember the Melissa and the Caylor family in your prayers and encourage them.

### SYMPATHY

**Russ and Wanda Agee** and family were members here at the Clinton church in the 1960's. We just learned of Wanda's passing in November 2014. If you would like to send a card of sympathy, please mail it to Russ Agee, 369 Riverbend Road, Shelbyville, TN 37160.

We express our sympathy to **Mallory and John Taylor**, who lost their son Jack at birth. Mallory was a classmate of Ashley McInturff.



*Which Clinton member grew up in Oklahoma and used to live in Wisconsin?*

**Answer to last week's Member Spotlight: Carlos Herren**