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Evangelist:

Richard Bentley	264-0560
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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	60
Worship	94
Contribution	\$2297

Sunday PM

Worship	59
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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*)

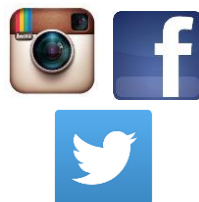
THE CHURCH OF CHRIST

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**

Please follow us on



Serving the Congregation January 25, 2015

	AM	PM
Song Leaders:	Joey Smith	Singing
Opening Prayer:	Jim Ashworth	Mike Smith
Lord's Table:	Mike Smith, Eric Mowery, Mike Olsen, Jacob Mowery	
Closing Prayer:	Daniel McInturff	Dwight N.
PM Table:	Hubert Sharp	
Announcements:	Dale Mowery	
Usher:	Hubert Sharp	

Wednesday evening: January 28, 2015

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

January 25, 2015

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A friendly church with a saving message



Think Souls: The Courage to Care

In the 1960's the late brother Andrew Connally preached a sermon titled "Overcoming Mediocrity." In that sermon, brother Connally cited three things we must possess if we will rise above the status quo: the courage to care, the dare to dream, and the willingness to work. It seems that these are three characteristics that every Christian must have regarding soul winning, as well. Let's consider the first point today.

We must have the courage to care about the problem. The problem is adequately expressed in a song we sometimes sing: "souls that are precious, souls that are dying, while we rejoice our sins are forgiven!" Statistics indicate that roughly 155,000 people worldwide die each day. How many of that number do you think are New Testament Christians? The problem is further magnified by the fact that many Christians shirk their soul winning responsibilities.

Jesus came to save lost souls (Luke 19:10), and He has commissioned His disciples to be active in spreading the saving message (Matthew 28:19-20; Mark 16:15-16; Luke 24:46-48). However, Jesus Himself said, "the harvest truly is plentiful, but the laborers are few" (Matthew 9:37). What about you? Do you have the courage to care about the problem?

Care requires courage. No one denies that soul winning is not easy – especially when we first begin. It takes courage to invite someone to have a Bible study with you, to then lead that Bible study, and to say the things that need to be said. But we must cultivate a compassionate heart for the lost. "When [Jesus] saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion" (Matthew 9:36).

Caring engages your conscience. It causes you to be particularly mindful of lost souls that are all around you as you live your life. It causes you to feel badly if you miss an opportunity. The feeling of a nagging conscience is not always pleasant, but God gave it to us for a reason – perhaps that is exactly the motivation that we need to get busy in the Lord's work.

Caring opens your eyes. Suddenly the world population of 7 billion people turns into 7 billion souls that we must reach! But we can do it (cf. Colossians 1:23). We have help from our Christian brethren and help from our loving God, who does not put on us more than we can bear.

Caring may even bring pain. What about when you ask someone you love for a Bible study and that person refuses? Or when you teach someone the truth but they will not accept it and obey it? This can be painful. Our responsibility is not to force someone to obey; in fact, we simply cannot do that. Our responsibility is to try. Brother Connally said, "when we begin to have the courage to care, the world will change!" – Robert Hatfield

"Few there are who seem to care, and few there are who pray; melt my heart and fill my life: give me one soul today!"

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

EVENTS CALENDAR

Jan 25	Romines Wedding Shower
Jan 25	Song Service/Fingerfoods
Jan 25	KCS Winter Carnival
Feb 1-6	FHU Lectureships
Feb 11-15	GSM Marriage Retreat
Feb 15	Bowling Outing
Feb 22	Smith Shower
Feb 27-Mar1	CYC



WEDDING SHOWER

The Clinton congregation will host a wedding shower for JT Romines and Haley Robison tonight during our fingerfood fellowship. Please see the bulletin board in the foyer for a list of items that JT and Haley need. Let's encourage this new couple!!!

SONG SERVICE/FINGERFOODS

Don't forget that tonight is our monthly song service and fingerfood fellowship!

DIAPER SHOWER

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

2015 CALENDER

Our calendar of congregational events is now posted in the foyer. Please mark down the dates of these events and plan to participate as much as possible!



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. If you don't see your size and would like to order one, please sign the list.

KCS WINTER CARNIVAL

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

BOWLING

Everyone is invited to go bowling at the Oak Ridge Bowling Center on Sunday, Feb. 15. We will either go in the afternoon between services or after evening services.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Elmira Trentham will turn 90 in May. Ms. Trentham is unable to get out and would probably appreciate some cards or calls. Please see your directories for her address.

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT INFO ----->

We need some interesting facts and stories about our members for the Member Spotlight section. If you have anything to submit, please see Joey Smith or email it to churchofchristclinton@gmail.com.

PRAYER REQUESTS



Carlos Herren is now home from the hospital. Please call before visiting.
Hayden Evans is now at Golden Living.
Cheryl Taylor, Amanda Brown's mother, is now home from the hospital.
Norma Cooper has been sick.
Bob & Karen Hamby are recovering from illness.
Elle McInturff has been sick.
Steve Burt has been have health issues and is undergoing testing.
Jason Caudle has been sick with bronchitis.
Mary Gilley had to go back to the hospital earlier last week.
Tangelia Kesterson is suffering with bronchitis.
Russell Stansberry, a friend of the Pattons, had surgery to remove a brain tumor.
Melissa Caylor is experiencing health problems and is in need of our prayers.
Chris Leavitt, a frequent guest here at Clinton, will be having hip surgery in Oregon in Feb.
Ray Bolden had 3-bypass heart surgery last week.
Van Carden, Diane Carden's brother-in-law, passed away last week.

Continue to remember: Phyllis Leslie, Sue Hale, Jim & Barbara McCrary, Jean Humphrey, Joyce Evans' grandson, Andrew Verble, Tim Hutson, Greg Kell, Delphia Rose, John Hill, Lisa Bullock, Flossie Spradling, 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 or given to Joey Smith.

RESTORED

Jeff Harwell responded to the invitation Sunday morning wishing to be restored. We rejoice with Jeff and with Kayla Mefford, who will be married on Oct. 3. Please remember Jeff in your prayers and encourage him in any way possible.

THIS WEEK'S PANTRY ITEM: Ready-to-eat Microwaveable Soups



Although it may be impossible to imagine: which Clinton member hates chocolate?

Answer to last week's Member Spotlight: Sabrina Schwenke