

# Clinton Church of Christ

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Richard Bentley	264-0560
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## FOR THE RECORD

### Sunday AM

Bible Study	57
Worship	88
Contribution	\$2697

### Sunday PM

Worship	60
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### Wednesday

Bible Study	43
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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
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## 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 – Ireland**

Please follow us on



## Serving the Congregation June 3, 2018

	AM	PM
<b>Song Leaders:</b>	Joey Smith	Ben Smith
<b>Opening Prayer:</b>	Dale Mowery	Darryl Glenn
<b>Lord's Table:</b>	Jim Ashworth, W.T. Crider, John Bushey, Herb Byrd	
<b>Closing Prayer:</b>	Glen Morgan	Daniel McInturff
<b>PM Table:</b>	Stump Smith	
<b>Announcements:</b>	Herman Herren	
<b>Usher:</b>	Tim Nygard	

**Wednesday evening: June 6, 2018**

<b>Song Leader:</b>	Ben Smith
<b>Invitation:</b>	Richard Bentley
<b>Announcements:</b>	Stump Smith

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## We Are God's Billboards

By Jeff Arnette

"For the ministry of this service is not only supplying the needs of the saints, but is also overflowing in many thanksgivings to God. <sup>13</sup>By their approval of this service, they will glorify God because of your submission flowing from your confession of the gospel of Christ, and the generosity of your contribution for them and for all others, <sup>14</sup>while they long for you and pray for you, because of the surpassing grace of God upon you." (2 Corinthians 9:12-14, ESV)

What a humbling thought. We are God's "Billboard" in this cold and dark world. We are the primary means of advertising that God uses in this world. In all honesty, a huge part of God's plan for saving the world is you and me. Each one of us has a part to play in God's plan because we are all walking billboards for God's love, mercy, and grace.

**First**, notice that what we do will cause others to give thanks to God. Paul tells us in verse twelve that our service to others and to God will accomplish two important things. First, it will supply the needs of the saints and secondly, it will also overflow with thanksgiving to God. This tells me that how I live and act in this world is of great importance. Too many times we think that it doesn't matter what I do because no one is watching. However, Paul reminds us that what we do will cause others to give thanks to God. Even scarier is the idea that the reverse is also true. How I live, and act can cause others to reject God. How many times have you heard of someone saying that Christians are all hypocrites? Too many times, right? This illustrates what Paul is saying here in verse 12. What we do influences other people. It can cause them to give thanks to God or it can cause them to reject Him.

**Second**, notice that what we do will glorify God. Not only will they praise and give thanks to God for my actions. My actions will either bring glory to God or it will cause them to revile the name of Christ. My actions have a direct result on how others feel about God, about Jesus, and about the church. That should strengthen our resolve to do the right things and it should help us to always be mindful of our responsibility. It is our responsibility to bring glory to God. Some people always interject that it is not their job to glorify God. How could any rational Christian think that? It should be our goal, the goal of all Christians to bring glory and honor to God. 1 Corinthians 10:31 reminds us of that. Notice also that Paul says that how I submit to the gospel of Christ is seen by other people. I know it's a scary thing but my level of commitment to Christ is freely seen by the world. I am a walking, talking billboard for Christ. So, what happens when I am faced with a difficult decision or situation and I fail to glorify God with my actions? I have proclaimed to the world that in the end, I am no different than everyone else, I am still lead by my desires and emotions instead of Christ, and that God is not worthy of their adoration or love.

**Thirdly**, I want you to notice that what we do is a confession of our faith. The choices I make and the things I do in this life is a confession of my faith. How I attend church, how I give, how much time I am willing to give to church functions, even how much I pray and study God's word. These things are testimonies to the level of my faith. Each of us needs to carefully consider our level of commitment to Christ based on the amount of time we spend seeking Christ each day. I think a lot of people who like to consider themselves "Good Christians" would be humbled by the answer, provided they are honest with themselves. That is why James spent so much time talking about faith and works. What else shows the world and God how committed we are?

Do you want to bring glory and honor to God? Do you want others to find the freedom of salvation in Christ? Then never forget that you are God's "Billboard."

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

## CLINTON CALENDAR

June 3	VBS Meeting
June 13	Silver Saints
June 17	TCC begins
June 24	Singing/Fingerfoods
July 22-26	VBS
Aug 19	Mowery/Tidwell Shower
Oct 21	75th Anniv. Homecoming

### VBS MEETING

Anyone interested in helping out with this year's VBS, please plan to meet today at 5:30 for a quick meeting.

### VBS TEACHER NEEDED

Dale Mowery is in search of a VBS teacher for the middle school class. If you would be interested in helping out with this good group of young folks, please see Dale.

### VBS PROPS

Our theme for this year's VBS is "Excavation" and will center around an archaeological dig. We are in need of props such as crates, ropes, shovels, buckets, lanterns, and artifacts such as pottery, bowls, statues, etc. If you have any of these items, please see Joey Smith.

### PICTURE BOARD UPDATES

If you would like to have your picture updated on the picture board, please see Dwight Nicholson.

### HOUSEHOLD ITEMS NEEDED

Amy Nicholson is moving to Clinton Towers and is in need of several household items: chest of drawers or dresser, chair, queen bed headboard that would attach to a bed frame, bedside tables, coffee table, pots, pans, silverware, lamps, canisters, and a toaster. If you are cleaning out and have any of these items to donate, Amy would love to have them.

## THE ELDERS' CORNER

*Love of the World*

The term "world" does not always refer to the universe as created by God. It is often used to describe the community of sinful humanity that possesses a spirit of rebellion against God. (I John 5:19).

*-Herman*

### PRAYER LIST UPDATES

Please check the list in the foyer of those who have been on our prayer list for an extended period of time. If you know of updates to their condition, please write them on that list or see Joey Smith to share that info.

### SUMMER LUNCH PROGRAM

Clinton City Schools will be providing free lunch for any child ages 0 to 18 from May 29 through July 25, every day Monday-Friday except July 4. Lunches will be served at North Clinton Elementary. You do not have to be a city resident or Clinton City student to participate. If you know of anyone that might benefit from this program, please spread the word.

## AREA EVENTS

### SOUTHEAST LEADERSHIP CAMP

Karns Church of Christ: June 3-10

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

West End Church of Christ: June 10-12

### ONE-DAY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Highland View Church of Christ: June 23

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Karns Church of Christ: June 24-27

*\*Please see the bulletin board and table in the foyer for more info on these area happenings.\**

## PRAYER REQUESTS

**Polly Keck** is in Tennova Turkey Creek room 312 with respiratory issues.

**Amy Nicholson** suffered a broken and cut toe which required several stitches.

**Jayne Nash** and **Bunny Nash** have both been sick.

**Dwight Nicholson** got good test results after a trip to the hospital last Sunday.

**Estelle Taylor**, the mother of Shannan Burt, a former member here at Clinton, had a stroke and is in rehab at the Waters of Clinton, room 209. She is in need of visitors, prayers, and encouragement.

**Jack Zorn**, Resa Byrd's father continues to be very ill and in the hospital.

**Micheal Olsen** is recovering after falling off a roof while trimming trees. He is doing well.

**Linda Asher**, Thelma Merrill's sister, is having multiple tests and appointments.

**Sarah Mefford** continues to improve after knee surgery and therapy.

**Susan Olsen**, Micheal Olsen's wife, is facing upcoming knee surgery.

**Georgia Herren** continues to need our prayers for strength and good health.

**Herman Herren** is in need of our prayers as he takes care of Georgia.

**Brenda Jennings** continues to need our prayers.

**Audrey Egerton**, great-niece of Gail Sharp, continues to need our prayers. Her doctors have determined that the risk is too great to proceed with heart surgery as originally scheduled. A new surgery date has not been set at this time.

**Betty Weaver** is in need of our prayers.

**Tabby Weaver** has been suffering with throat problems.

**Ina Tucker**, Lesley Mowery's mother, is in need of our prayers.

**Scott James** has been diagnosed with a rare form of carcinoma that is behind his lung and close to his heart. Scott is a physical therapist here in Clinton known to many.

**Kim Fulton**, Zander Huffman's mother, is gone for 30 days of training. She will be deployed overseas for a year when she returns.

**Bill Watkins**, the pulpit preacher for the Crieve Hall Church of Christ in Nashville, had heart bypass surgery last week.

**Continue to remember:** Rimikay Bachelor, Ben Barbee, Donna Benjamin, Beverly Burt, Kim Burt, Steve Burt, Delma Byrd, Lee Carden, Lisa Carr, Audrey Lynn Egerton, Melissa Everetts, Nasha Foster, Bernice Hammock, Tracy Hart, Lynn Hawkins, Sheree Hoskins, Dicey Humphrey, Beulah Jackson, Polly Keck, Lee LaMay, Connor Livingston, Sharon Martin, Norma Jean McGhee, Carolina Grace McClemore, Carolyn Mitchell, Becky Monday, Chloe Parker, Jean Perkins, Joel Peters, Carolyn Scruggs, Misty Smith, Flossie Spradling, Joyce Stearsman, Elaine Stevenson, Denzil Thompson, Darlene Thurman, Andrew Verble, Tabitha Weaver, Harrison Waldron, Thomas Wales, Steve Yearwood, Jack Zorn

**Cancer Treatment:** Christie Cinnamon, Sawyer Cole, Josh Deaton, Gail Foust, Bob Hamby, Belle McCoy, Greg McGuinness, Janice Plagge, Rhonda Perkins, David Phippen, Gail Sharp, Joshua Stokes, Tiffany Vann, Gail Wilkinson

**Shut-In:** At home – Mary Gilley, Ken Smith, Elmira Trentham; *Morning Pointe* – Jo Rutherford; *Summit View of Rocky Top* – Ella Mae Burchfield; *Summit View* – Ann Nygard; *Beverly Park Place Knoxville* – Jean Dye; *The Waters of Clinton* – Estelle Taylor

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