

# Clinton Church of Christ

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## FOR THE RECORD

<b>Sunday AM</b>	
Bible Study	—
Worship	91
Contribution	\$2704
<b>Sunday PM</b>	
Worship	42
<b>Wednesday</b>	
Bible Study	49



*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

## 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 – Italy**

Please follow us on



## Serving the Congregation Nov 11, 2018

	<b>AM</b>	<b>PM</b>
<b>Song Leaders:</b>	Jacob McCrary	Joey Smith
<b>Opening Prayer:</b>	Dwight Nicholson	Jim Ashworth
<b>Lord's Table:</b>	Dale Mowery, Tim Nygard, Earl Broadway, W.T. Cider	
<b>Closing Prayer:</b>	Glen Morgan	Tim Melton
<b>PM Table:</b>	Tim Nygard	
<b>Announcements:</b>	Stump Smith	
<b>Usher:</b>	Hubert Sharp	

**Wednesday evening: Nov 14, 2018**

**Song Leader:** Ben Smith  
**Invitation:** Stump Smith  
**Announcements:** Herman Herren

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# Clinton Chronicle

## Communication Landmines

Neal Pollard

Paul writes two letters of instruction to Timothy, the preacher at Ephesus. As his "father in the faith" (cf. 1 Timothy 1:18), Paul wanted the younger man endowed with the wisdom and courage to be God's man. Timothy would face pressures and temptations from many different directions. The apostle's words also provide some common sense to help him do the sometimes-difficult task of preaching and ministry.

In a letter full of the theme of godliness, 1 Timothy, Paul gives him some intriguing encouragement in the sixth chapter. He says, "If anyone advocates a different doctrine and does not agree with sound words, those of our Lord Jesus Christ, and with the doctrine conforming to godliness, he is conceited and understands nothing; but he has a morbid interest in controversial questions and disputes about words, out of which arise envy, strife, abusive language, evil suspicions, and constant friction between men of depraved mind and deprived of the truth, who suppose that godliness is a means of gain" (1 Timothy 6:3-5). In this brief admonition, he gives Timothy several tips to help him be a useful communicator of God's truth. He urges Timothy to avoid:

- **Compromise.** Not only here, but throughout the letter, Paul urges Timothy to teach the pure doctrine of Christ, those sound words and that godly doctrine. If we bow to pressures and change the revealed word of Christ, we become deadly communicators.
- **Conceit.** Ironically, the conceited often look down upon others. Yet, Paul ties the arrogance to ignorance ("understands nothing"). When we encounter one who condescendingly communicates, we are prone to tune them out even if they are telling the truth. It is incongruous to have a pompous preacher speak of the lowly Jesus. It's a credibility killer.
- **Controversy.** We live in the age of controversy. It is splashed all over the traditional media and social media. It is often manufactured, and it is the mark of a morbid (literally, "sick") mind. The controversialist will be found at the heart of disputes, ever seeking to dig up something, hash and rehash it, and keep it going. We can be accused of that for simply trying to communicate God's will, especially when unpopular, but some are never far from contention. It is characteristic of them.
- **Constant Friction.** This is listed last among several other results of controversy, along with envy, strife, abusive language, and evil suspicions. Have you ever been around someone who keeps up an atmosphere of tension? The chip is always on the shoulder. Their communication is always confrontational. It appeals to the depraved and deprived, according to Paul.

Paul was so bold that he would die for preaching the truth (cf. 2 Timothy 4:1-8). Yet, he urged Timothy to be peaceable, kind, adept, patient, and gentle when communicating it (2 Timothy 2:24-25). Is it possible to courageously stand with the Christ but do so using the precise scalpel of Scripture (Hebrews 4:12) rather than the reckless explosives of excess? Yes, and each of us must predetermine that we will do so no matter how others act and react.

**If you are visiting with us today - WELCOME! We are glad you are here!**

## CLINTON CALENDAR

Nov 17	Coat Giveaway
Nov 21	Thanks-Singing
Nov 25	Song Service/Fellowship
Dec 1	Ladies Holiday Brunch
Dec 31	NYE Game Night
Feb 22-24	CYC trip

### COAT GIVEAWAY

With cold weather approaching, we would like to have a Coat Giveaway on Saturday, Nov. 17. Please note this is NOT a clothing giveaway - just coats. We will collect gently used or new coats, or money to purchase coats. **We are in need of more coats!!!** Please see Matt Huffman with any questions.

### THANKS-SINGING

On Wednesday, Nov 21, we will take a few moments to quietly reflect on God's blessings with a song, prayer, and Scripture reading service in place of our regular Wednesday evening Bible study. Please be here with us, bring your visiting family who might be staying with you, and spend just a few moments in thankful worship.

### LEFTOVER FELLOWSHIP

Our regular monthly Sunday night fellowship meal will be on Nov. 25. Bring your best, most creative dishes made from your Thanksgiving leftovers!!! Your church family will do its part to help you clean out that fridge!

### LADIES HOLIDAY BRUNCH

The Ladies Holiday Brunch will be Saturday, Dec. 1 at Resa Byrd's home beginning at 10:00am. Please bring an ornament wrapped or in a gift bag.

### NEW YEARS EVE GAME NIGHT

Be sure to mark your calendars for Monday night, Dec. 31st for game night!

### THE ELDERS CORNER

Did you notice on the week after our Homecoming that the Sunday morning attendance was 101? Did you notice the attendance for Sunday evening was 47 and Wednesday evening was 39? Those numbers are more than 50% less. The elders have set aside Wednesday evenings that we may come together to study God's Word and to exhort, uplift and encourage one another. Therefore we urge everyone to take advantage of our midweek Bible study. Verses for our consideration, Hebrews 10:25; Acts 2:42; Acts 20:7; Acts 17:11; 2 Tim. 2:15. Remember you always feel better when you leave than when you came.

*-Dale*

### SYMPATHY

We extend our sympathy to the family of **Tiffany Vann**, who passed away after a battle with cancer. She was a coworker of Annette Smith and has been on our prayer list for quite some time.

### CHALLENGE YOUTH CONFERENCE

**ATTENTION YOUTH!!!!** CYC 2019 will be Feb. 22-24. We will be registering ASAP! If you plan to go, please see Joey Smith and turn in payment when signing up. We will not be able to confirm a ticket order until then. The cost to go this year will be \$75.

**Please see Joey ASAP if you would like to go or if you need help with the cost!**

### AREA EVENTS

#### VETERANS DAY CELEBRATION

Knoxville Christian School: Nov 12

#### CHALLENGE YOUTH CONFERENCE

Pigeon Forge: Feb 22-24

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

## PRAYER REQUESTS

**Bob Hamby** is at home and was able to be with us last Sunday.

**Barbara Boshears**, mother of Doug Broadway's wife Marlene, is 89 and bedridden. She has recently suffered a stroke.

**Cash Gonzalez** is recovering well from surgery to remove his tonsils.

**Doris Nicholson** had a bout of dizziness while traveling home last week.

**Cheryl Morrow**, who attended here a few years ago, has suffered a stroke.

**Stephanie Baird**, a friend of Melissa Caylor, has recently had a craniotomy.

**Charles Hall**, Tim Melton's uncle, fell and broke his hip. He is now at a rehab facility.

**Sandra McKamey**, a neighbor of Tim Melton, is undergoing cancer treatment.

**James Whitefield**, father of Pat Humphrey, is now in rehab at NHC.

**Audrey Egerton**, great-niece of Gail Sharp, continues to need our prayers as she awaits surgery. She needs to stay well and free of illness prior to surgery.

**Jessie Parker**, a friend of Lillian Redden's daughter, Teresa Burnett, is in need of our prayers. He had a leg amputated below the knee. He also lost his home to a fire.

**Travis Creasy**, an annual host at Challenge Youth Conference, has been diagnosed with leukemia and is undergoing treatment.

**Edward Hernandez**, a friend of the Bushey's, is recovering from heart surgery.

**Matt Scudder**, friend of Gail Sharp, continues treatment for leukemia.

**Sondra**, a friend of Lorena Nicholson, asks for prayers on behalf of her father.

Please continue to remember **Mary Gilley, Georgia Herren, Jo Rutherford, and Brenda Jennings** in your prayers.

**Continue to remember:** Audrey Lynn Egerton, Kim Fulton, Betty Holt, Sheree Hoskins, Georgia Herren, Dicey Humphrey, Brenda Jennings, Polly Keck, Connor Livingston, Elaine Stevenson, Andrew Verble, Harrison Waldron, Jack Zorn

**Cancer Treatment:** Christie Cinnamon, Sawyer Cole, Travis Creasey, Pam Davis, Gail Foust, Bob Hamby, Scott James, Mike Koehler, Lois Layne, Belle McCoy, Greg McGuiness, Sandra McKamey, Janice Plagge, Rhonda Perkins, David Pippen, Matt Scudder, Joshua Stokes, Vernie Vignolo, Doris Walker, Gail Wilkinson

**Shut-In:** At home – Mary Gilley, Ken Smith, Elmira Trentham; Morning Pointe – Jo Rutherford; Summit View – Ann Nygard; Beverly Park Place Knoxville - Jean Dye

## The Bible Matters

By Rob Albright

The Bible is God's unique communication to all mankind. I know there are many who do not believe the Bible is from God, but those of us who "trust and obey" God's Word, are experiencing changed lives.

The Bible is not a book of fables. It is the truth from God (John 17:17). It is historically and archaeologically accurate and that is part of the proof that shows Divine authorship.

Far too many say it does not matter what Jesus said or did. It does matter (John 8:24; 20:30-31). The things written in the Bible are designed to bring us to have faith (Romans 10:17) in Jesus.

We read in the Bible how Jesus, the Son of God, died for our sins (Romans 5:8-9) and He arose from the dead for our justification (1 Corinthians 15). Since Jesus is "the way, the truth, and the life" (John 14:6), should we not listen, obey, and abide in Jesus? (Hebrews 5:8-9).