

# Clinton Church of Christ

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## FOR THE RECORD

Sunday AM	
Bible Study	64
Worship	94
Contribution	\$2343
Sunday PM	
Worship	43
Wednesday	
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**



## Serving the Congregation June 2, 2019

	AM	PM
<b>Song Leaders:</b>	Hobert Humphrey	Ben Smith
<b>Opening Prayer:</b>	Dale Mowery	Darryl Glenn
<b>Lord's Table:</b>	Herb Byrd, John Bushey, W.T. Crider, Steven Wagner	
<b>Closing Prayer:</b>	Glen Morgan	Daniel McInturff
<b>PM Table:</b>	Hubert Sharp	
<b>Announcements:</b>	Herman Herren	
<b>Usher:</b>	Stump Smith	

## Wednesday evening: June 5, 2019

**Song Leader:** Ben Smith  
**Invitation:** Richard Bentley  
**Announcements:** Stump Smith

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## Spend Some Money on a Nice Bible

Tyler King

No, it's not going to make you anymore holy. And no, the more you spend on a bible does not work in correlation with how close you are to heaven. In fact, I'm convinced that someone can be taught the gospel from something as simple as those little freebie pocket-sized Gideon bibles. So then, why am I spending time and effort in writing to get you to buy a nice bible? Good question.

**#1 It Will Take Care of You** - As with everything else, the cheaper and lower-quality bibles tend to fall apart much easier. The phrase goes, "a bible that is falling apart usually belongs to a person who is not." While there may be some truth in that, it could also be the case that the Bible is just a cheap, poorly bound product. The bible I currently use was around \$175, but it has lasted me five years, two trips to Africa, a trip to Israel, and is my go-to bible for everything.

**#2 You Will Take Care of It** - I used to own a bottom of the line Ford Focus with a ton of miles. I thrashed that car through off-road mountain trails, eventually both bumpers needed gorilla tape in order to remain present, and I never took it to the carwash. I didn't care a single bit for that car because I saw very little value in it. Don't get me wrong, the Holy Scriptures will always have value, even in the form of free Gideon bibles. However, when you make an investment in something like a calfskin or a Cambridge bible, the chances of you forgetting it, losing it, or damaging it are far less. It will become one of your most prized possessions, and the value will steadily increase as you use it and mark in it.

**#3 It Will Benefit Your Study** - To me, there is almost nothing crippling to your personal study than a bible with non-existent margins. I'm not saying that margins are absolutely necessary for you and your walk with God, but they definitely help. It's nice to be able to write personal notes next to Divine scripture. Margins allow you to reflect on the text and install that message in your heart and mind.

**#4 It Will Energize Your Zeal** - There's something about having a good quality bible that changes the game. Growing up, I used to have one of those little "devo" NIV bibles. It was good but the gospels of Matthew and Luke were falling out and the front cover was forever curled up because I left it in my parents' car on a hot summer day. The day I spent some real money on a nicer bible, I couldn't help but be excited to crack it open and study. I became excited to take it everywhere - the coffee shop, school, the library, etc.

**#5 What Else Will You Spend Money On?** - I remember standing in Mardel bookstore with a bible in hand. I looked at the \$174.99 price tag and cringed. I finally came to my senses after realizing that I was upset about spending a man-made monetary note on a divine library that would bring me closer to my God - perhaps there is nothing more worthy of your wages. Put it this way: A good cappuccino will run around \$4-5. If you do that daily, you're sitting around \$1680/year. Grant it, maybe not every day is a cappuccino day, so take \$700 away. That's still \$980 per year. My current bible has lasted me 5 years and is still going strong - in comparison that's roughly \$35 per year for a bible (almost 3% of coffee expenses!). I feel like if there's one thing you can get away with spending money on, a bible is among the top of that list.

Let me be the first to encourage you if you don't already own a nice bible - find one. You don't even have to spend over \$100 to do so. A nice, quality bound, genuine leather bible can be had for around \$40-\$50. There are great bibles out there that include good study tips, wide and extra wide margins, single column, verse-by-verse, and all sorts of good stuff. A quality bible will become one of your very best companions in this life.

## CLINTON CALENDAR

June 2	India Presentation
June 12	Picnic @ Norris Dam Park
June 16	TCC begins
June 30	Hamm Baby Shower
July 12	Ladies Get-Together
July 13	Play Outing
July 14	Harwell Baby Shower
July 21-25	VBS

### INDIA PRESENTATION

Garry Jones will be making a presentation this evening on the mission work in India. We always look forward to learning more about this good work. Please be back tonight to learn more about what is going on in India!

### SYMPATHY

We extend our sympathy to Susan Smith and family in the sudden passing of her uncle, **Wayne Stewart**. His funeral was Saturday in Hinesville, GA.

### PRAYER LIST INFO

We would like to be able to send cards of encouragement to those on our prayer list, but need help in collecting those addresses. If you have mailing addresses for anyone on our prayer list, please give them to Gail Sharp or send an email to the church email at churchofchristclinton@gmail.com.

### SILVER SAINTS PICNIC

The Silver Saints are hosting a picnic at Norris Dam State Park (East Side) on Wednesday, June 12. Everyone in the congregation is invited and encouraged to join in. A signup sheet is in the foyer.

### BABY SHOWERS

Please note the calendar for two upcoming baby showers: Natasha Hamm, June 30, & Kayla Harwell, July 14. More info to come.

### THE ELDERS CORNER

What is hell like?

\*Hell is being cast away from the presence of the Lord (2 Thessalonians 1:9).

\*Hell is eternal destruction (2 Thessalonians 1:9).

\*Hell is burning like an oven that sets the wicked ablaze and destroys the future (Malachi 4:1-3).

\*Hell is a place that is filled with the gloom of utter darkness (Jude 13).

—Herman

### VBS IS COMING!

Our Vacation Bible School will be here in just about 2 months! There are jobs for everyone, so if you'd like to be involved in any way, please see Dale Mowery. It's also not too early to be inviting your friends and loved ones to be with us. Flyers will be available soon and there is already a Facebook Event that you can share and use to personally invite folks.

## AREA EVENTS

### SOUTHEAST LEADERSHIP CAMP

Karns Church of Christ: June 2-9

### VBS

West End Church of Christ: June 10-13

### VBS

Arlington Church of Christ: June 16-19

### VBS

Highland View Church of Christ: June 22

### POLISHING THE PULPIT

Seiver County: Aug 16-22

*\*For more details on these and other events, please see the bulletin board in the foyer.\**

## PRAYER REQUESTS

**Gail Sharp** is now home after having to go to the hospital last Sunday morning.

**Georgia Herren** has been sick this week but is beginning to feel better.

**Rachel Anderson** is back at The Waters of Clinton for rehab after being in the hospital.

**Annette Smith** is recovering well from a procedure she had last week.

**Danny Caylor** had cataract surgery last Monday.

**Susan Reagan** is recovering from surgery and is experiencing difficulties.

**Thelma Merrill** is now home after a stay in the hospital.

**Sharon Lowe**, Ashley McInturff's grandmother, had thyroid surgery. She is recovering and waiting for further treatment for lung cancer.

**Tim Melton** has severed his Achilles tendon and is awaiting surgery.

**Don and Sheri Blackwell** were recently injured in a 4 wheeler accident. Don is the CEO of Gospel Broadcasting Network. Don suffered a spinal cord injury.

**Baby Ryker**, a newborn under the care of Laura Mowery, is finally on the transplant list.

**Jacob Short** is currently serving in Iraq. His family has asked us to keep him in prayer.

**Continue to remember:** Stephanie Baird, Elbert Boyd, Lisa Carr, Audrey Lynn Egerton, Dakota Fuller, Eddie Godsey, Lynn Hawkins, Sheree Hoskins, Edward Hernandez, Georgia Herren, Brenda Jennings, Polly Keck, Connor Livingston, Charles McGhee, Norma Jean McGhee, Craig McWilliams, Cheryl Morrow, Bridget Moses, Elaine Stevenson, Andrew Verble, Harrison Waldron, Jack Zorn

**Cancer Treatment:** Curtis Barnes, Linda Bell, Christie Cinnamon, Sawyer Cole, Travis Creasey, Jerry Cross, Paul Curless, Pam Davis, Beth Farrow, Gail Foust, Barbara Huffman, Scott James, Mike Koehler, Lois Layne, Sharon Lowe, Belle McCoy, Greg McGuinness, Sandra McKamey, Brittany Oberbeck, Janice Plagge, Rhonda Perkins, David Pippen, Matt Scudder, Braden Stewart, Joshua Stokes, Vernie Vignolo, Doris Walker, Franklin Wharton, Gail Wilkinson, Hannah Woosley

**Shut-In:** *At home* – Ken Smith, Elmira Trentham; *The Waters of Clinton* - Rachel Anderson, Dicey Humphrey

## We'll See You After School!

By Steve Higginbotham

When I was in third grade, I had two boys threaten to beat me up after school one day. They were the Ciccarelli twins – tough guys (it still sends a cold chill down my spine even when I type their name!) I couldn't understand it. Why did these boys want to beat up a charming, precious little third-grader (according to my mother)? It didn't make sense to me; I barely knew them. But one thing I knew was that they were going to be waiting for me after school. And sure enough, after school there they stood waiting. However, I had all day to think about their threat and I took action. I rounded up all my friends, and we all walked home from school together. In fact, we walked right past the Ciccarelli brothers, and they didn't say a word.

Now, to the point of this story. Why is it that a third-grader may know how to deal with bullying and opposition better than grown Christians? What do I mean? Well, when the Devil begins to pick on some Christians, and make their lives difficult, what's one of the first things that some Christians do? They stop attending church services. They withdraw from everyone. Instead of drawing on the strength of their brothers and sisters in Christ, they choose to face their enemy all alone.

As a third-grader, I knew that I was going to get "beat up" if I was found all by myself. So I surrounded myself with friends, and avoided the beating. Seems there's a lesson in there for us.