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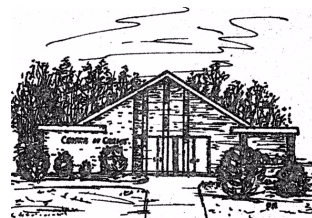
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*A friendly church with
a saving message*

WORSHIP TIMES

Sunday
Bible Class 10:00 AM
Worship 11:00 AM
Worship 6:00 PM

Wednesday
Bible Class 7:00 PM

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 9, 2019

	AM	PM
Song Leaders:	Herb Byrd	Tim Melton
Opening Prayer:	Darryl Glenn	Herb Byrd
Lord's Table:	Hobert Humphrey, Herman Herren, Greg Jernigan, Earl Broadway	
Closing Prayer:	Tim Nygard	Eric Mowery
PM Table:	Darryl Glenn	
Announcements:	Stump Smith	
Usher:	Joey Smith	

Wednesday evening: June 12, 2019

Song Leader: Joey Smith
Invitation: Stump Smith
Announcements: Dwight Nicholson

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Satan's Schemes

Neal Pollard

Paul makes an interesting statement while addressing the successful effort the Corinthian church made in disciplining an erring brother along with the successful outcome of his having repented. He urges them to show him love, comfort, and forgiveness. The bottom-line Paul gives for the urgency of their obedience is "so that no advantage would be taken of us by Satan, for we are not ignorant of his schemes" (2 Corinthians 2:11).

Back in the first letter, the church's attitude and actions regarding a brother needing discipline was horrible, and Paul commanded them to act (1 Corinthians 5). Here, they have acted and their efforts worked. They were in a prime position to grow and thrive. Yet, Paul reminds them of Satan's motivation (to take advantage of us) and means (his schemes).

But when does Satan like to try and employ his schemes and take advantage of us?

- When we aren't being sober and vigilant (1 Peter 5:8).
- When we aren't focused on resisting him (James 4:7).
- When we aren't standing firm in the Lord or against Satan's schemes (Ephesians 6:10ff).
- When we aren't exercising self-control (1 Corinthians 7:5).

If you study those contexts and others that mention Satan more closely, you will see that he would like to take advantage of us in good times and bad times. He may be at work through the willing choices, words, and actions of people who unwittingly aid his cause through their sins.

When might he seek to employ his schemes?

- When new elders are appointed
- During building programs
- As numbers swell through baptisms and families placing membership
- When preachers come and go
- In a flurry of exciting activities
- In the heart of some church problem or struggle
- At the center of some personality struggle or conflict within the congregation
- Through some controversial doctrinal, moral, or even cultural issue
- When brethren put politics, race, or another issue of lesser importance over Christ and His church

Obviously, there are many more examples. The point is that Satan would love to use the good times or bad times we experience as a church to undermine and harm the work of the Lord. That should not make us paranoid, so paralyzed by fear that we refuse to act, or petrified to make needed changes. It does mean that we must not be ignorant of the fact that he doesn't want the church to grow or move forward, and he will do what he can to stop it. What is so exciting is that he stands no chance against God.

James says, "Submit therefore to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you" (James 4:7). Let us never be afraid to "dare and do" for God. We can do great things for Him and keep an eye out for the devil's schemes.

If you are visiting with us today - Welcome to Clinton! We are glad you're here!

FOR THE RECORD

Sunday AM	
Bible Study	—
Worship	112
Contribution	\$2517
Sunday PM	
Worship	—
Wednesday	
Bible Study	46

CLINTON CALENDAR

June 9	Newsletter folding
June 12	Picnic @ Norris Dam Park
June 16	TCC begins
June 30	Song Service/Fingerfoods
June 30	Hamm Baby Shower
July 12	Ladies Get-Together
July 13	Play Outing
July 14	Harwell Baby Shower
July 21-25	VBS

INDIA MISSION NEWSLETTER

We will meet today at 5:00 to fold and prepare the latest India Mission Newsletter for mailing. Thanks to all who are able to come and help!

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 sign-up 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.

HELP WANTED

Knoxville Christian School is hiring several teaching positions including History, Spanish, Science, and Substitute Teachers. Please visit www.knoxvillechristian.org to apply.

THE ELDERS CORNER

Have you prayed this morning? If not why no? We as Christians are to pray without ceasing 1 Thess.5:17. This means we are to have that prayerful attitude all the time. The word prayer is used 313 times in our Bibles. Then what are we to pray for. We should be praying for the church, this congregation here at Clinton, Garry and the work in India, the Shanahans and the work in Italy, the leaders of our country and the world. those who are lost and need the good news of Jesus Christ. There are so many things to pray for and also to be thankful for. In the latter part of James 5:16 we read "the effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much". Let me urge each of us to pray several times each day, from the rising up in the morning to the time we pillow our head at the end of the day.

-Dale

TODAY'S SPEAKERS

A big thank you to Daniel McInturff and Clint Patterson for preaching for us today while Richard is traveling.

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. There is a Facebook Event that you can share and use to personally invite folks.

AREA EVENTS

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

PRAYER REQUESTS

Annette Smith found out she has endometrial cancer which will require surgery. She meets with the doctor/surgeon on Monday, June 17.

Lauren Battistelli is recovering at home from a tonsillectomy.

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

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

Danny Caylor is recovering from cataract surgery.

Susan Reagan is recovering from surgery and is experiencing difficulties.

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.

Rebecca Nash left on Friday to travel home to Poland.

Richard & Laura Bentley are traveling this week and are in Missouri with family.

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 Curlless, 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

Updates to the Prayer List may be sent to churchofchristclinton@gmail.com or given to Joey Smith.

SYMPATHY

Our sympathy goes out to Jennifer Meek and her son Tyler in the passing of her husband, Anthony Meek, at the age of 42. Jennifer was a Freed-Hardeman classmate of Joey and Susan Smith.

Our sympathy is extended to Lesley Mowery in the passing of her aunt, her mother's sister, in Australia, on Thursday morning.

CONGRATULATIONS

We would like to congratulate Andrew Schultz, grandson of Marcie Schultz who often visits with us here at Clinton, upon being drafted by a Major League Baseball team!