# Clinton Church of Christ

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# FOR THE RECORD

#### **Sunday AM**

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Worship

Wednesday

Bible Study 54



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 July 7, 2019

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#### PM

Song Leaders:Ben SmithJoey SmithOpening Prayer:Dale MoweryDarryl GlennLord's Table:Daniel McInturff, W.T. Crider,<br/>John Bushey, Tim Melton

Glen Morgan Daniel McInturff

**PM Table:** Stump Smith **Announcements:** Herman Herren

**Usher:** Tim Nygard

Closing Prayer:

Wednesday evening: July 10, 2019

Song Leader: Joey Smith Invitation: Dale Mowery Announcements: Herman Herren

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# **Be Patient!**

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In James 5:7, James gives us some specific instructions concerning being patient. It is said as a response to those whose patience was being inflamed by the sinful actions of those in James 5:1-6. In just a few words, James has some pretty exhaustive instruction.

He addresses the **who**-"Be patient brethren." There's an ethic and morality expected of those in God's family that is more than for everyone else. Almost every use of the word "brethren" in the New Testament is addressed to Christians. As light-shiners and salt-spreaders, we must exhibit patience with others and especially other Christians.

He addresses the **when**-This command has a duration (an expiration date)-"Until the coming of the Lord." How long are we to remember Christ in the Lord's Supper? 1 Corinthians 11:26 says, "Until He comes." How long was Thyatira to hold onto what they had? Revelation 2:25 says, "Until Jesus would come." How long was Corinth to refrain from unrighteously judging one another? 1 Corinthians 4:5 says, "Until the Lord comes." You don't encounter this phrase very often, but every time it regards a matter of significance. There will not come a point in time when you can cease being patient-it's as long as you live or until Christ comes again, whichever comes first.

He addresses the **how**-You've got to strengthen your heart (be inwardly committed, cause to be more firm in attitude or belief). James is saying, "Steel yourself because this is going to get hard sometimes." When I think of people who have fallen away from the Lord, I think of conversations with people who say they gave up on the church or the elders or the preacher. They weren't responsive enough, caring enough, or too nosy or not what they needed when they needed it. But ultimately this means these fallen ones weren't firm and unchanging within.

He addresses the **why**-"The coming of the Lord is near." Don't focus on a time element here, but on the need to endure for as long as the time is. It's constantly drawing nearer, not in a chronological sense, but an expectation and assurance that we expect it any time. I don't want to be caught living in a state of impatience with my brethren. If I am, it means I've lost focus on Christ's second coming!

I need to be convicted that impatience is not "no big deal." James ties it to spiritual harmony, divine superintendence, and eternal safety. We can't chalk up failure in this area as just our makeup, personality, and temperament. We must be obedient to the heavenly injunction and "be patient"!

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

### **CLINTON CALENDAR**

July 12	Sister Friends
July 13	Play Outing

July 14 Harwell Baby Shower

July 20 VBS Work Day

**July 21-25 VBS** 

July 28 Song Service/Fingerfoods

#### HARWELL BABY SHOWER

We will be hosting a shower for Kayla and Jeff Harwell on July 14 to welcome baby Henry. They are registered at Buy Buy Baby, Target, and Walmart.

#### SISTER FRIENDS

Ladies will have their monthly get-together Friday, July 12<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 6:30. We will be making various holiday craft projects and getting decorating ideas. Ladies are asked to bring a casserole, salad, or dessert.

#### **LADIES RETREAT**

We are about to book a cabin for a Ladies Retreat the weekend of August 16-18 (tentative date). We will have devotionals, fellowship, and fun!!! We need an estimate of how many are planning to spend at least one night there so we can book an appropriate-sized cabin. Please get with Susan Smith on Sunday as we will book a cabin early next week. The cost will be \$50 per person. (Please don't let the cost keep you from going - just get with Joey or Susan.)

#### **PLAY OUTING**

Those of us going to see the play "Junie B Jones" at the Cumberland County Playhouse on Saturday, July 13, plan to meet here at the building to leave by 9:00am that day. We will be eating lunch at Lefty's BBQ after the play. See Gail Sharp if you are in need of transportation.



# **CLINTON VBS**

July 21-25 Sun 6-8pm Mon-Thurs 7-9pm

#### **VBS NEEDS**

Our VBS starts 2 weeks from today! We are collecting items for crafts and decorating the building. Please save your empty toilet paper tubes for use in crafts. We also need any "island" or "sea-themed" items you might have (including pink plastic flamingos if you happen to have a dozen sitting in your yard!). Please place your items in the Pantry. Thanks!

#### **VBS FOOD**

If you would like to contribute monetarily to our VBS snacks this year, please see Stump Smith.

#### **CLOTHING DONATION**

Bobbie Sue Phillips has donated several boxes of men's clothing, Everyone is welcome to take a look and see if there's anything you might need.

# **AREA EVENTS**

#### 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

**Annette Smith** will have hysterectomy surgery on Tuesday at UT Hospital.

**Sarah Mefford** has been admitted to the hospital at LaFollette Tennova, room 242, with a blood clot in her leg.

**Allie Jennings** is recovering from surgery and is doing well.

Mark Jernigan, Greg Jernigan's father, is in the hospital and is in need of our prayers.

**Herb Byrd** continues to recover from his fall off a roof at camp. He had surgery last week to repair his broken clavicle.

**Anthony Foy**, Glen and Gloria Morgan's son-in-law, suffered a broken ankle.

**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.

**Emily Burress**, a coworker of John Bushey, is having pregnancy complications. The child has bleeding on the brain.

**H.R. Stooksbury**, a neighbor of Bunny and Jayme Nash, has been diagnosed with a MRSA infection in his lungs.

**Steve Griffith**, a veteran and friend of Carol Burt, is having serious health problems and is trying to get into the VA hospital. He has requested our prayers.

Carol Burt is in need of our prayers as she is going through some difficult situations.

**Cody Sharp** had a friend who took his own life last week. Remember Cody and this young man's family in your prayers.

**Continue to remember:** Stephanie Baird, Don & Sheri Blackwell, 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, Tim Melton, 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 McGuiness, Sandra McKamey, Brittany Oberbeck, Janice Plagge, Rhonda Perkins, David Pippen, Matt Scudder, Braden Stewart, Joshua Stokes, Vernie Vignolo, Doris Walker, Franklin Wharton, Gail Wilkinson

**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.

#### 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.