Clinton Church of Christ

500 N. Main Street P.O. Box 298 Clinton, TN 37717 (865) 457-0803

www.clintonchurch.com

churchofchristclinton@gmail.com

Elders

Herman Herren	494-7330
Dale Mowery	927-5001
Dwight Nicholson	494-9425
Mike Smith	803-3601

Deacons:

Jim Ashworth	405-2757
Hobert Humphrey	661-5088
James McCrary	740-3066
Daniel McInturff	931-409-2781
Glen Morgan	274-3990
Eric Mowery	748-7129
Tim Nygard	482-4103
Hubert Sharp	254-6357
Joey Smith	773-8259

Preacher:

Richard Bentley 264-0560

FOR THE RECORD

Sunday AM

Bible Study	66	
Worship	90	
Contribution	\$2879	
Sunday PM		

Worship 48

Wednesday

Bible Study 53



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 Dec 22, 2019

AM	<u>P</u>
----	----------

Song Leaders:Rick CaudleDale MoweryOpening Prayer:Bradley CriderChuck KilpatrickLord's Table:Dale Mowery, Greg Jernigan,

W.T. Crider, James McCrary

Closing Prayer: Clint Patterson Hobert Humphrey

PM Table: Tim Melton
Announcements: Herman Herren
Usher: Tim Nygard

Thursday evening: Dec 26, 2019

Song Leader: Tim Melton
Invitation: Richard Bentley
Announcements: Dale Mowery

Vol. 13 Dec 22 2019 Number 51



The Only Gift

Dave A. Sargent

A man came home from work late again, tired and irritated, to find his 5-year-old son waiting for him at the door. "Daddy, may I ask you a question?"

"Sure! What is it?" replied the father.

"Daddy, how much money do you make an hour?"

"That's none of your business! What makes you ask such a thing?" father said angrily.

"I just wanted to know. Please tell me how much you make an hour?" pleaded his son.

"If you must know, I make \$20 an hour."

Looking up, the boy said, "Daddy, may I borrow \$9 please?"

The father was furious. "If the only reason you wanted to know how much money I make is just so you can borrow some, then you march yourself straight to your room and go to bed. Think about why you're being selfish. I work long, hard hours every day and don't have time for such childish games."

The little boy quietly went to his room and shut the door. The father sat down and started to get madder about his little boy's questioning. How dare he ask such questions only to get some money? After an hour, he calmed down and started to think he might have been too hard on his son. Maybe there was something he really needed to buy with that \$9. And, he didn't ask for money often.

The father went to his son's room and opened the door, "Are you asleep, son?"

"No, Daddy, I'm awake," replied the boy.

"I've been thinking. Maybe I was too hard on you earlier," said the father. "It's been a long day, and I took my aggravations out on you. Here's the \$9 you asked for."

The little boy sat up straight, beaming. "Oh, thank you Daddy!" he said. Then, reaching under his pillow, he pulled out some more crumpled bills. He counted the money; then looked up at his father.

"Why did you want more money if you already had some?" the father asked.

"Because I didn't have enough, but now I do," the little boy replied.

"Daddy, I have \$20 now...... Can I buy an hour of your time?" (Author Unknown)

There is Another who loves you and me and longs for an enduring relationship with us. He demonstrated His love for us by giving us a tremendous gift: the gift of Himself (Galatians 2:20).

Our sins separate us from God but Jesus gave His life as payment for our sins so that we can be reconciled to Him. "For there is one God and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all men -- the testimony given in its proper time," (1 Timothy 2:5-6).

Jesus gave more than a "portion" of Himself for us; He gave His ALL. He DIED so that we might LIVE! Won't YOU respond to His great love on His terms and LIVE for Him?

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

CLINTON CALENDAR

Dec 26 Thursday Bible Study
Dec 29 Song Service
Dec 31 Game Night
Jan 8 Silver Saints
Jan 24 Sister Friends

Jan 26 Song Service/Fingerfoods

Feb 28-Mar 1 CYC trip

RESPONSE

Brother **Paul Adkins** responded to the Lord's invitation last Sunday requesting the prayers of his church family. Let's all reach out to and encourage Paul, and remember him in your prayers.

SYMPATHY

We extend our sympathy to the family of **Ken Smith**, a long-time member here at Clinton, who passed away at the age of 94. Ken has been shut-in at home for many years. There will be a graveside service on Monday at 1:30pm at Oak Ridge Memorial Park. At the family's request, there will be no visitation and no food or meals planned.

Charles Schultz, a former member of the Maryville church, passed away due to the injuries he sustained in a house fire. Our prayers and sympathy to his family.

NEW YEARS EVE GAME NIGHT

We will gather for food, fellowship, and games on New Year's Eve here at the building on Tuesday, Dec. 31 beginning at 7:00pm. Hope to see you here!

SNACK REFILLS

Don't forget to help replenish our Snack Care Basket supplies in the Pantry! See April Holt with any questions.

SILVER SAINTS

The first 2020 meeting of the Silver Saints will be Jan. 8 here at the building at 10:00am.

THE ELDERS CORNER

As we near the end of the year, let us reflect on how we have been blessed by God, even though at times it may not have seemed so. Let us pray for His continued blessings for each of us, our congregation and the Church the world over.

-Dwight

SISTER FRIENDS

The 2020 Sister Friends monthly signup sheet is in the foyer. Please sign up to coordinate an activity for the new year.

Our next Sister Friends event will be Friday, January 24th, at 7:00 pm. Our devotional will be led by Georgia Herren. The activity will be "Swap It!" Please start collecting gently or barely used household items, decorations, clothing, toiletries, purses, books, etc. and join the Swapping fun. Bring a friend! Please plan to bring soup and salad to share.

CHALLENGE YOUTH CONFERENCE

We are ready for CYC 2020, Feb. 28 - Mar. 1! Our cabin has been reserved and the tickets will be ordered this week. The cost per person is \$75. Please see Joey Smith with any questions.

AREA EVENTS

GREAT SMOKY MTN MARRIAGE RETREAT

Pigeon Forge: Feb 5-9

CHALLENGE YOUTH CONFERENCE

Pigeon Forge: Feb. 28 - Mar. 1

Please silence your cell phones during Bible study and worship.

Thank you!

PRAYER REQUESTS

Bonnie Henderson, mother of Denise Henderson, is very ill and in need of our prayers.

Dudley Brewer, Chuck Kilpatrick's sister Jan's husband, has been told that he needs a heart transplant. Cards of encouragement would be appreciated: 1960 Hurricane Road, New Market, AL 35761.

Sandra Vandergriff, friend of Lorena Nicholson who has visited with us many times, has requested prayers for her family. Her father has been put in hospice care.

Bunny Nash continues to recover at home from a fall and a fractured elbow.

Alison Daube, Cindy Jones' cousin, is in a great deal of pain from cancer.

Pam Nygard has asked us to remember her in our prayers, that her situation will change, and that she will once again be able to worship with the church family.

Sid Booth, Sheila Herren's uncle, is undergoing treatment for prostate cancer.

Janella Melton has been sick with bronchitis for several weeks.

Ann Byars, sister of Garry Jones, continues to be in the hospital in Huntsville, AL.

Matt Scudder has AML and has chosen not to do any further treatments. Matt and his wife, Valerie have had a difficult year. Their 21 year old son, Logan, passed away in January.

Randall Farley, husband of Gail Sharp's coworker, had to be taken back to UT Hospital.

Tangelia Kesterson has requested our prayers.

Logan Miller, the 17 year old son of Ouita Northcutt's friend John Miller, is in critical condition.

John Adkins, a friend of Wilson Gadd, has an aneurism.

Jack Price, Cathy Glenn's great nephew, is in remission but will continue treatments.

Continue to remember: Stephanie Baird, Don Blackwell, Elbert Boyd, Carol Burt, Lisa Carr, Taylor Castillejo, Stacey Cheeley, Kayce Crews, Audrey Lynn Egerton, Dakota Fuller, Eddie Godsey, Steve Griffith, Lynn Hawkins, Sheree Hoskins, Georgia Herren, Brenda Jennings, Tucker King, Connor Livingston, Charles McGhee, Norma Jean McGhee, Craig McWilliams, Garrett Moore, Katie Moore, Bridget Moses, Britni Pflieger, Jacob Short, Elaine Stevenson, Andrew Verble, Harrison Waldron, Jack Zorn

Cancer Treatment: Curtis Barnes, Linda Bell, Sid Booth, Sawyer Cole, Travis Creasey, Jerry Cross, Pam Davis, Alison Daube, Gail Foust, Rena Gayne, Bud Isbell, Scott James, Mike Koehler, Sharon Lowe, Belle McCoy, Greg McGuiness, Sandra McKamey, Jonas Moore, Janice Plagge, Rhonda Perkins, David Pippen, Jack Price, Vernie Vignolo, Doris Walker, Gail Wilkinson, Buddy Wilson

Shut-In: At home – Elmira Trentham; The Waters of Clinton - Dicey Humphrey

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

***** SCHEDULE CHANGE REMINDER *****

Due to Christmas falling on a Wednesday this year, our mid-week Bible study this week will be on Thursday, Dec. 26 rather than Wednesday.