

# Clinton Church of Christ

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### Preacher:

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## FOR THE RECORD

### Sunday AM

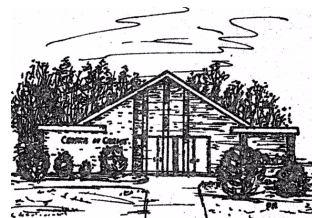
Bible Study	66
Worship	85
Contribution	\$3673

### Sunday PM

Worship	32
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### Wednesday

Bible Study	40
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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
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## 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: Rainbow Village  
for Girls, Jacob's Village for Boys

**Scott Shanahan – Italy**

**Andrew Young - SEIBS**

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## Serving the Congregation Aug 29, 2021

	AM	PM
<b>Song Leaders:</b>	Clint Patterson	Singing
<b>Opening Prayer:</b>	Herman Herren	Tim Nygard
<b>Lord's Table:</b>	Dale Mowery	Chuck Kilpatrick
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<b>Closing Prayer:</b>	Daniel McInturff	Jody Yarber
<b>Announcements:</b>	Stump Smith	
<b>Usher:</b>	Hubert Sharp	

### Wednesday evening: Sept 1, 2021

<b>Song Leader:</b>	Ben Smith
<b>Invitation:</b>	Richard Bentley
<b>Announcements:</b>	Dale Mowery

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## Go Ahead and Do It - On Purpose

By Mike Glenn

The importance of a goal and a plan: Have you ever noticed that things can float downstream without even trying, but must give considerable effort to go upstream any distance? A car can coast downhill, but must use gasoline to power itself uphill. If we are not careful, Christians and congregations will live their spiritual life by simply drifting downstream letting chance and circumstances take us where they will. But, to press to higher ground, to gain new spiritual heights every day, to take ourselves to the next level (Phil. 3:14; 1 Tim. 3:13), we must do it on purpose.

In spiritual life, it is completely true that if we fail to plan, we plan to fail. God did not decide to save the world on a whim. He purposed it from the foundation of the world (Ephesians 1:4). The church was part of His eternal purpose (Ephesians 3:11). Even the Old Law and its tabernacle and worship showed the purposeful planning of God as it was the shadow of the real image of New Testament law and worship. And, God did not leave the preaching of the gospel to chance. He gave the tools of inspiration, tongues and other miraculous gifts to assure His work was carried out. He gave the plan of the Great Commission (Matthew 28:19-20). Boaz purposed to do good toward another and he called it "handfuls of purpose" (Ruth 2:16). Daniel determined not to violate the law of God. In Daniel 1:8 we are told, "But Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself with the portion of the king's meat, nor with the wine which he drank...". The psalmist purposed his words carefully according to Psalm 17:3 "...I am purposed that my mouth shall not transgress." Job purposed not to lust, "I made a covenant with my eyes; why then should I think upon a maid (Job 31:1). We are to give as we have purposed in our heart (2 Corinthians 9:7)

Truthfully, there is no part of the Christian life that does not demand purposeful planning. From obeying the plan of salvation to raising our children in the Lord to gaining control of our fleshly desires, reaching toward heaven — it all will only be accomplished on purpose (goal) and with a plan or series of plans.

There are four parts to this process of reaching the next level of spirituality.

(1) We must remember as we make plans to ask the counsel of the LORD. "If the Lord will," should be both our speech and our practice (James 4:15). The preacher of old warns us in Proverbs 15:22, "Without counsel, purposes are disappointed: but in the multitude of counsellors, they are established." We must ask advice of the elderly that are strong in the LORD. We must "Remember the Gibeonites". In Joshua 9, this group of people fooled Joshua into breaking one of the commands of GOD to not make a league with the inhabitants of the land. If Joshua and the other leaders had asked counsel of God they would not have been fooled.

(2) Clearly define the goal. From "Go, make disciples," to "be of the same mind and the same judgment" to "bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord," we must have the goals clearly defined and understood.

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## CLINTON CALENDAR

Aug 29	Shanahans visiting
Aug 29	Song Service/Fingerfoods
Aug 31	Sister Friends Meet-up
Sept 1	Silver Saints
Sept 13	Sister Friends Meet-up
Sept 23	Sister Friends

### ITALY MISSION PRESENTATION

We are delighted to have the Shanahan family with us today. Scott will give us an update on the mission work in Italy and will be preaching this morning as well. Please give a warm welcome to Scott, Rebecca, and Violet!

### SONG SERVICE + FINGERFOODS

Tonight is our monthly song service followed by a fellowship meal. Come back, be ready to sing, and bring a dish to share with your church family!

### SISTER FRIENDS MONTHLY MEET-UP

Our ladies will meet on Tuesday, Aug. 31 at 11:30am at Golden Girls Restaurant for lunch. Please sign up on the Facebook Event or on the list in the foyer. Let Susan Smith know if you have any questions.

Our next restaurant meet-up will be Monday, Sept. 13 at 6:00pm at Panera Bread in Oak Ridge. Our next meeting at the church building will be Thursday, Sept. 23 at 10:00am hosted by Lois Nygard. Please plan to bring a "comfort food" dish that day.

### PRAYER LIST UPDATES

Please help us keep our prayer list up to date. If you know of changes, additions, deletions, or updates to our prayer list, please let Joey Smith know or email them to churchofchristclinton@gmail.com.

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(3) For each of the goals mentioned in point 2 above, God gave us a plan, method, and resources. The scriptures are full of planners. God was the greatest planner. Let's walk in His footsteps. For any congregation of the LORD'S church to grow we must make purposeful plans. Personal or congregational purity does not happen by accident. Evangelism does not happen by accident. Spiritual wisdom does not come by accident. What size will our congregation be in 20 years? How are the kids being trained for the eldership or preaching or other service in the kingdom? What verses of scripture will the kids in Bible class have memorized when they turn 18? What Bible material will they have covered? In what way are we purposely solidifying the marriages in our congregation? How well trained are the teachers who are guiding young minds? What sins will you overcome this year? How much of the Bible will you read? What lessons will you study with your children at home? How many souls will you try to save this month? Plan, plan, plan!

(4) We must follow through. "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the course, I have kept the faith" (2 Tim. 4:7). Goals without plans are empty. Plans without follow through are fruitless.

Brothers and sisters, like God, let's become planners and workers of our plans. Have a purposeful life.

### CONGRATULATIONS!

We want to congratulate sister Lesley Mowery who obtained her U.S citizenship last week! We want to honor Lesley this evening during our fingerfood fellowship with a cake. Please join us in congratulating Lesley!

## AREA EVENTS

### PATHWAYS 5K RUN/WALK

Benefitting Tennessee Children's Home: Aug. 28

### GIRL'S DAY

East Main Church, Murfreesboro: Sept. 11

### FOREVER HIS DAY CAMP

Karns Church of Christ: Oct. 2

## PRAYER REQUESTS

- **Herman Herren** is recovering well from surgery. He will begin therapy in six weeks..
- **Chuck Kilpatrick** is recovering at home from kidney stone surgery.
- **Watson Yarber**, Jody Yarber's father, is in heart & kidney failure. He is under hospice care.
- **Sherry Bushey** has started treatments for breast cancer.
- **Karen Hamby** will be having another surgery at the end of September.
- **Gail Strunk**, Julia Mowery's mother, is now home from the hospital.
- **Mary Egerton**, Gail Sharp's mother, is now under hospice care.
- **Zach Bullock** will be undergoing open heart surgery.
- **Michael Olsen** has been to Vanderbilt Medical Center this last week.
- **Taylor Adkins**, Spencer Herren's fiance, has started chemo treatments for lymphoma. She has been very sick from the treatment which she will be taking monthly.
- **Andrew Stanley** received benign results from his biopsy.
- **Vivian Dagley**, a dear friend of Rachel Broadway, is battling lymphoma.
- **Carol Burt** is in need of our prayers.
- **Lorene Sharp**, Hubert Sharp's mother, has been back in the hospital.
- **David West** is suffering from bleeding issues due to diverticulitis.
- **Madison Gadd**, the child of a former coworker of Annette Smith, is at Vanderbilt for treatment of a tumor on her shoulder.
- **Janet Coleman**, a friend of the Busheys, is dealing with back problems.
- **Lisa Carr**, Sherry Bushey's daughter in Syracuse, NY, is suffering with MS.
- **Resa Marie Byrd**, Herb and Resa Byrd's daughter, is dealing with atrial fibrillation.
- **Abby Braden**, a teacher at Norris Middle School, lost her husband in a car accident.
- **George Reynolds**, cousin of the McInturff family, is in the hospital with health problems.
- **Billy & Mary Majors**, close family friends of the McInturffs, are in the hospital with COVID.

**Continue to remember:** Dudley Brewer, Harriette Brown, Elijah Burt, Lisa Carr, Mike Chester, Ron Churchwell, Wade Colwell, Bonnie Henderson, Gary Henderson, James McCrary, Charles McGhee, Norma Jean McGhee, Nancy Mitchell, Garrett Moore, Katie Moore, Ouita Northcutt, Britni Pflieger and family, Dylan Richey, Linda Roberson, Debbie Simon, Andrew Verble, Harrison Waldron

**Cancer Treatment:** Bonnie Adkins, Taylor Adkins, Judy Bentley, Dudley Brewer, Sherry Bushey, Bill Campbell, Sawyer Cole, Jerry Cross, Michael Ford, Gail Foust, Steve Higginbotham, Gladys Moore, Glen Morgan, David Pippen, Jack Price, Kevin Shanahan, Wayne Simon, Melea Smith, Vernie Vignolo, Gail Wilkinson, Buddy Wilson

**Shut-In:** Norris Health & Rehab - Polly Keck; The Waters of Clinton - Dicey Humphrey

### CLINTON CHURCH LIVE STREAM

We continue to stream our Sunday morning services live online for those unable to join us here at the building. You DO NOT have to have a Facebook account to view. Follow this link:

[www.facebook.com/churchofchristclinton/live/](http://www.facebook.com/churchofchristclinton/live/)