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FOR THE RECORD

Sunday AM

Sunday PM

Wednesday

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Bible Study

Contribution

Worship

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Bible Study

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: Rainbow Village for Girls, Jacob's Village for Boys

Scott Shanahan – *Italy*

Andrew Young - SEIBS

Please follow us on



Serving the Congregation Sept 4, 2022

AM

<u>PM</u>

Song Leaders: Ben Smith
Opening Prayer: W.T. Crider
Lord's Table: Bradley Crider

Rick Caudle Chuck Kilpatrick Dale Mowery

Closing Prayer: Earl Broadway

Announcements: Stump Smith

Daniel McInturff

Usher: Hubert Sharp

Wednesday evening: Sept 7, 2022

Song Leader: Joey Smith
Invitation: Richard Bentley
Announcements: Chris Cox

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Focus On God's House, Not Yours

By Joe Slater

Good stewards take care of whatever has been entrusted to them. If God has entrusted you with home ownership, you certainly ought to maintain that home sensibly and reasonably. But what about God's house? (No, not the physical structure in which we assemble, but the Lord's church!)

Unlike today when God's house is a spiritual edifice, the prophet Haggai wrote during the Mosaic age when God's house was a physical temple in Jerusalem. Haggai's people had begun to rebuild the temple shortly after their return from captivity, but political and religious enemies had conned the Persian king into forcing them to halt construction. Through the years they had become content to leave the project on the back burner.

Meanwhile the people built their own fine homes and went about their business as usual. Through His prophet the Lord asked them, "Is it time for you yourselves to dwell in your paneled houses, and this temple to lie in ruins?" (Haggai 1:4).

The problem wasn't that the Jews' homes were too ornate. It was that their zeal for God's house had cooled to the point of total disinterest. "This people says, 'The time has not come, the time that the Lord's house should be built'" (1:2).

How often do we use similar excuses to justify our neglect of God's work while we focus on ourselves? "It just isn't a good time!" (Really? When will the time be right?)

God has entrusted us with the spread of Christ's gospel and the building up of the church. Are we being good stewards?

To our members and visitors:

Welcome to Clinton! We are glad you're here!

CLINTON CALENDAR

Sept 15 Sister Friends Sept 20 Sister Friends

Sept 25 Song Service/Fingerfoods

Oct 14-16 Ladies Conference

SISTER FRIENDS

Sister Friends will meet on Thursday, Sept 15 at 10:30am. The devotional will be lead by Lesley Mowery with lunch to follow. Please bring either sandwiches, soup or dessert. A sign up list is in the foyer.

Our ladies monthly restaurant meet-up will be at Buddy's BBQ in Clinton on Tuesday, Sept 20 at 6:00pm.

LADIES RETREAT

The Transform Ladies Conference/Ladies Retreat weekend in Pigeon Forge is October 14-16. Please contact Hannah Cox with any questions. If you are able, please donate to the church to help offset the cost. The conference website is: www.tlcladies.org

BABY SHOWER

A baby shower to welcome baby Declan McElroy will be held Sunday, Sept. 18 from 2 to 4pm at The Lodge, just up Spring Street from the church building. Please see the invitation in the foyer for more information.

BAPTISM

We rejoice with Kevin and Cheri Lancaster in the baptism of their granddaughter, Kinley, in Aiken, SC.

VISITATION & OUTREACH

Remember that our weekly visitation and outreach sheets are available at the rear of the auditorium along with a large selection of greeting cards. See Arthur Pigman with any questions.

AREA EVENTS

GOSPEL MEETING

Wartburg Church of Christ: Sept 4-7

GIRLS DAY

East Main Church of Christ: Sept. 10

GOSPEL MEETING

Lawnville Rd Church of Christ: Sept 11-14

FOREVER HIS DAY CAMP

Karns Church of Christ: Oct. 1

Reasons for Enduring Trials

By Edd Sterchi

When trials hit, we can do one of two things concerning our faithfulness to God – give up or continue on. Paul knew what it was like. In fact many times in trials, he felt like he was between a rock and a hard place (2 Cor. 4:8), yet he continued remaining faithful to God. I believe that in v.14-15 in the same chapter he gives us three reasons to endure trials.

He knew that trials, and even death, would not rob him of the crown of life. "knowing that He who raised up the Lord Jesus will also raise us up with Jesus, and will present us with you." (v. 14)

He realized that surviving his hardships were influencing others toward Christ. "For all things are for your sakes, that grace, having spread through the many," (v.15a)

He was aware that He was glorifying God in enduring adversity. "may cause thanksgiving to abound to the glory of God." (v.15b)

Yes, enduring trials can be good for us and others. So when trials hit, hang in there and keep praising God!

Please silence your cell phones during worship & Bible class.

Thanks!

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Millard Adkins had to be taken to the ER last Sunday.
- Diane Shelton is recovering from COVID.
- Arthur Pigman is recovering from COVID.
- Joshua & Sarah Moorey are recovering from COVID.
- Tate Price is recovering from an extended fever.
- Leslie Price is recovering from pneumonia.
- Mary Egerton, Gail Sharp's mother, continues to need our prayers.
- Brenda Hutson, Herman and Georgia Herren's neighbor, fell and broke her shoulder.
- Jimmy & Joann Patton, Jason Patton's parents, continue to need our prayers.
- Ingrid Hamm, Natasha Hamm's mother-in-law, is suffering from seizures.
- Thelma Merrill is recovering from foot surgery.
- Ruby Thomas, Donna Truitt's mother, is now under hospice care.
- Mark Yarber, Jody Yarber's brother, had a port put in. Cancer treatments will begin soon.
- Sherry Bushey continues to need our prayers as she goes through more medical tests.
- Lisa Carr, Sherry Bushey's daughter, is recovering from a stroke.
- Pat Humphrey is undergoing chemotherapy for aggressive breast cancer.
- Bunny Nash and Georgia Herren both continue to do well at home.
- Harry Davis, a friend of Jody Yarber, is recovering from surgery for a broken hip.
- Tom Hooten, Cheri Lancaster's uncle, had a stoke last week which he has recovered from, but in the process, it was discovered that he has a cancerous mass on his colon. He will have surgery this Tuesday to remove it. He is 81 years old.
- Tish Clarke, wife of B.J. Clarke, is recovering from surgery to remove a brain tumor.
- Teresa McClanahan, a member at the Maryville church, is in her last days as pancreatic cancer has spread to her brain.
- Gene Hundley, Bill Kesterson's brother-in-law, is battling cancer.
- Garry Jones is having great difficulty with government restrictions in India. Please pray for his safety, the success and protection of the villages and schools.

Continue to remember: Dudley Brewer, Haley Bozeman, Harriette Brown, Zach Bullock, Carol Burt, Elijah Burt, David Byrd, Resa Marie Byrd, Lisa Carr, Ron Churchwell, Susan Clifton, Wade Colwell, James Cooper, WT Crider, Mackenzie Earle, Madison Gadd, John Gayne, Bonnie Henderson, Gary Henderson, Jackson Igou, Holly Jackson, Brenda Jennings, Eddie Jennings, Nicole Lancaster, Tivis Lute, Charles McGhee, Norma Jean McGhee, Reba Medley, Nancy Mitchell, Garrett Moore, Katie Moore, Lesley Mowery, Ouita Northcutt, Tim Northcutt, Michael Olsen, Britni Pflieger and family, Linda Roberson, Debbie Simon, E.T. Stamey, Donna Truitt, Jerry Truitt, Andrew Verble

Cancer Treatment: Bonnie Adkins, Taylor Adkins, Lisa Bailey, Judy Bentley, Dudley Brewer, Sawyer Cole, Jerry Cross, Dick Deising, Adam Dunning, Michael Ford, Steve Higginbotham, Jean Huges, Pat Humphrey, Gene Hundley, Glen Morgan, Larry Phillips, David Pippen, Kevin Shanahan, Wayne Simon, Steve Simpson, Robert Sudderth, Gail Wilkinson, Anne Williams, Buddy Wilson, Donnie Woods

Shut-In: Morning Pointe - Kenneth Gossett; Norris Health & Rehab - Polly Keck; The Waters of Clinton - Dicey Humphrey