

# Clinton Church of Christ

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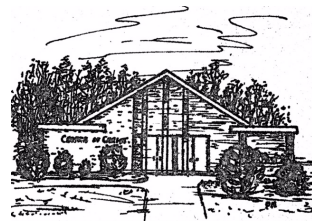
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### Preacher:

Richard Bentley	264-0560
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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: Rainbow Village  
for Girls, Jacob's Village for Boys

**Scott Shanahan – Italy**

**Andrew Young - SEBS**

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### Serving the Congregation Nov 20, 2022

	<b>AM</b>	<b>PM</b>
<b>Song Leaders:</b>	Joey Smith	Ben Smith
<b>Opening Prayer:</b>	Bradley Crider	Rick Caudle
<b>Lord's Table:</b>	Don Scott	Chris Cox

<b>Closing Prayer:</b>	Billy Fields	Wayne Kelly
<b>Announcements:</b>	Herb Byrd	
<b>Usher:</b>	Dale Mowery	

### Wednesday evening: Nov 23, 2022

**Song Leader:** Singing  
**Invitation:** Richard Bentley  
**Announcements:** Herb Byrd

## FOR THE RECORD

**Sunday AM**

Bible Study	—
Worship	98
Contribution	\$4914

**Sunday PM**

Worship	58
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**Wednesday**

Bible Study	50
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## Faithful in Parenting

By Brian Mitchell

Allow me to begin with a short poem by Michael Hodgin. "Child-raising theories did abound, before my children were around. Then one day I had my own, now all those theories I disown. Energy was once my friend, now I am at my strength's end. Fortune gone, the fridge is clean, my child has now become a teen!" So many of us have "been there, done that."

I don't have to tell you that raising children is a challenge. Certainly, it is difficult to raise kids in today's world, but it has been difficult to raise them since the very beginning...just ask Adam and Eve...you try raising Cain! One mother was considering her plight in life. She said to herself, "I guess if it was going to be easy, it would not have started with something called 'labor'."

I saw a cartoon that shows a young mother asking the reference librarian where to find a book. The librarian is pointing as she answers, "If you are looking for the book on how to have perfect children, it is in the fiction section." In this week's lesson we are going to talk about being faithful in parenting. None of us are perfect parents, and we will never be perfect, but we can make it our goal to be faithful. Some of us are really struggling with this task of parenting, while others are having a much easier time of it.

How difficult or easy a time we have in parenting is dependent upon a myriad of things; some we have control over and some we do not. Someone has said that raising children is like cooking. If you want something to come out well, you have to follow the recipe and you must not skimp on the ingredients. I wish it were that simple and straightforward. We all appreciate the fact that if you have a great cake recipe, and are careful to use the same ingredients and follow the same directions, the cake will come out equally well every time.

That is not the case with raising children. Every child is unique, having their own temperaments and we parents are never exactly the same parents – from day to day and year to year. Therefore, we are always amazed at how kids can grow up in the same home, with the same parents, and yet they turn out so differently and uniquely. If you would have told anyone including—myself, my parents, my siblings, my close and not so close friends—when I was a kid, that I would one day be a preacher of the gospel. Everyone mentioned would have told you that you were crazy.

Nevertheless, even though parenting is not exactly like cooking, there are some similarities. We do need a good and tested recipe to follow. We do need to try to be consistent as we follow the directions. And where do the best directions for raising kids come from, from God himself.

## CLINTON CALENDAR

Nov 20	Lads-to-Leaders Lunch
Nov 23	Thanks-Singing
Nov 27	Song Service/Fingerfoods
Nov 29	Sister Friends
Dec 3	Ladies Winter Brunch
Dec 15	Ladies Cookie Swap
Dec 17	Youth Party/Cookie Project
Dec 31	Game Night

### LADS-TO-LEADERS LUNCH

All families, children, and adults interested in participating in Lads to Leaders are invited to lunch in the fellowship hall today. Lunch will be provided. Please see Amy Hamby-Scott, Hannah Cox, or Herb or Resa Byrd if you have questions.

### THANKSGIVING SERVICE

We will have a song, prayer, and Scripture reading service of thanks this Wednesday at 7:00pm. Feel free to bring your visiting family with you for a special time of worship.

### YOUTH SPOTLIGHT

Check our newly updated Youth Bulletin Board in the foyer - it's now the Youth Spotlight! We want to recognize the accomplishments of our young folks, so share anything you'd like with Laura Bentley or Joey Smith, and we'll get you on the board!

### VISITATION & OUTREACH

Our weekly visitation & outreach sheets are available at the rear of the auditorium along with a large selection of greeting cards. See Arthur Pigman with questions.

### EXTRA PARKING

Don't forget that we have additional parking available on Sunday mornings in the flat grassy lot next to our parking lot. The driveway entrance is on Main Street near the edge of our parking lot.

### SISTER FRIENDS

The next meeting of our Sister Friends will be the monthly restaurant meetup, Tuesday, Nov. 29 at 11:00am at Miller's Market Cafe. A signup sheet is in the foyer.

### LADIES WINTER BRUNCH

Please bring your favorite brunch dish and join us Saturday, December 3, at 10am, at the home of Resa Byrd, 111 Masthead Drive in Clinton. Sign up on Facebook or on the list in foyer.

### LADIES COOKIE SWAP

Join us for a cookie swap at the home of Laura Bentley on Thursday, December 15 at 6:30 pm. Plan to bring 3 dozen of your favorite cookies to share. Sign up on Facebook or on the list in foyer. More details to come!

### YOUTH CHRISTMAS PARTY & COOKIE PROJECT

Our annual youth Christmas party will be here at the building on Saturday, Dec. 17 starting at 5:30pm. Everyone is asked to bring one dozen cookies for our Cookie Project for our widows and one gift for a Secret Santa exchange. Your gift should be something you made or found around the house!

### OUTREACH SUPPLIES NEEDED

We continue to collect supplies for the "Hands & Feet" for the homeless, coordinated by the South Knoxville congregation. If you would like to contribute some items to this work, a box is in our foyer for those items. Please see Don and Amy Scott with any questions.

### STUDENT MISSION TRIP

Samuel Cox will be participating in a mission trip to California to help several small congregations in the San Francisco area in March 2023. If you are interested in contributing funds towards Samuel's trip, donations may be sent to Estes Church of Christ, % Debbie McLaughlin, PO Box 191, Henderson, TN 38340.

**Please silence your cell phones during worship & Bible class. Thanks!**

## PRAYER REQUESTS

- **Tim Nygard** is in Room 441 at Methodist Medical Center with intestinal issues.
- **Jason Melton** is having problems with blood pressure issues.
- **Pat Humphrey** is awaiting biopsy results. She is meeting with her doctor on the 17th to see what her next steps are.
- **Garry Jones** had a cath procedure last week that revealed he had no blockages. He will follow up with his doctor soon. He has two more procedures scheduled.
- **Annette Smith** is sore and recovering from a fall.
- **Hannah** and **Rachel Cox** have been sick since last week.
- **John Bushey** is recovering from surgery. He will be in rehab for a few months.
- **Reba Medley**, Bonnie Chumley's mother, continues to need our prayers.
- **Roy Branham**, a friend of Stacey Schulz, recently lost his infant child.
- **Melissa Weaver**, a coworker of Clint Patterson, has been diagnosed with ovarian cancer.
- **Nader Al-Tawabini**, a friend of Ben Smith's coworker, is having open heart surgery.
- **Nadia**, a coworker of Clint Patterson, lost her brother suddenly to a massive heart attack.
- **Justin Young**, a young man in Oak Ridge known to many here, died suddenly last week.
- **David Pippen**, father of Richard and Laura Bentley's daughter-in-law, found out his cancer has grown.

**Continue to remember:** Dudley Brewer, Marge Brewer, Haley Bozeman, Harriette Brown, Carol Burt, Elijah Burt, Sherry Bushey, David Byrd, Resa Marie Byrd, Lisa Carr, Ron Churchwell, Susan Clifton, Wade Colwell, James Cooper, John Gayne, Bonnie Henderson, Gary Henderson, Jackson Igou, Holly Jackson, Brenda Jennings, Eddie Jennings, Austin Lancaster, Nicole Lancaster, Tivis Lute, Charles McGhee, Norma Jean McGhee, Reba Medley, Nancy Mitchell, Garrett Moore, Katie Moore, Ouita Northcutt, Susan Olsen, Denise Osborne, Jimmy & Joann Patton, Barb Peters, Britni Pflieger, Katelynn Pflieger, Kevin Pflieger, Linda Roberson, Debbie Simon, Ruby Thomas, Jerry Truitt, Andrew Verble, Rhett Wallace

**Cancer Treatment:** Bonnie Adkins, Taylor Adkins, Lisa Bailey, Curtis Barnes, Judy Bentley, Dudley Brewer, Tish Clarke, Sawyer Cole, Julie Coppage, Jerry Cross, Dick Deising, Adam Dunning, Mackenzie Earle, Michael Ford, Jean Huges, Pat Humphrey, Gene Hundley, Glen Morgan, Larry Phillips, David Pippen, Kevin Shanahan, Wayne Simon, Steve Simpson, Robert Sudderth, Ted Wheeler, Gail Wilkinson, Anne Williams, Buddy Wilson, Donnie Woods, Mark Yarber

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

Updates to the Prayer List may be sent to [churchofchristclinton@gmail.com](mailto:churchofchristclinton@gmail.com) or given to Joey Smith.

To our members and visitors:

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