# Clinton Church of Christ

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## FOR THE RECORD

## **Sunday AM**

Bible Study	78
Worship	111
Contribution	\$4543

## Sunday PM

Worship	67
Wednesday	

Bible Study 62



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: Jan 29, 2023

Song Leaders: Ben Smith Singing
Opening Prayer: Chris Cox Dale Mowery
Lord's Table: Herman Herren Daniel McInturff

Closing Prayer: Kevin Lancaster Don Scott

**Announcements:** Stump Smith **Usher:** Hubert Sharp

Wednesday evening: Feb 1, 2023

Song Leader: Joey Smith Richard Bentley

Announcements: Stump

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Celebrating 80 Years in Clinton 1943 - 2023

# **Church Business**

By Al Behel

In the past I did a lot of business consulting and coaching on success in the business world. Once I worked with a national chain with more than 800 business locations throughout the United States. They are successful because there is a constant focus on improving customer satisfaction and delivering the best service possible.

Fifty percent of new businesses fail in the first year and 95% fail in the first five years. While there are other factors contributing to their failure, many of them fail because they fail to recognize that the business of business is not business, but the business of business is people. When there are no customers or consumers, there is no business.

When Jesus was unintentionally left behind in Jerusalem at age 12, His frantic parents returned to find Him in the temple discussing Scripture with the teachers of the law. When they verbally reprimanded Him, He responded, "Did you not know that I must be about my Father's business?" A provocative question. Does that mean God has a business? Yes, His business is people. People who are lost and need a Savior. People who cannot save themselves.

God's business is church business. It is the business of the Kingdom. While there is no product to peddle, there is a message to be shared, a grace to be experienced, and a redemption to be received. God's business is our business. We are about the Father's business. That's the business of the church.

When the church ceases to focus on the needs of people it will face a sudden demise. Henry Ford said a man should never leave his business, but should think of it by day and dream of it by night. Our Father's business is open 24 hours a day. It never closes, but welcomes the downtrodden, the lonely, the alienated, and struggling sinners. Mediocrity is not enough. We must provided exceptional service.

Our Father's business requires dedicated servants whose primary goal is the success of the business. They think about it by day and dream about it by night. They know that its success depends on their continuous and effective performance, doing the Father's will.

The elders of the Clinton congregation have placed before the congregation five men to be considered for the role of deacon: **Herb Byrd, Chris Cox, Kevin Lancaster, Clint Patterson**, and **Arthur Pigman**. Please see the elders if you know of any Scriptural reason these men would not be able to serve.

## CLINTON CALENDAR

Jan 29	Song Service/Fingerfoods
Feb 10	Ladies Night Out
Feb 11	Youth Valentines
Feb 21	Sister Friends
Feb 24-26	CYC

Mar 4 Sister Friends Lads to Leaders Apr 6-9

Apr 30 80th Anniversary H-coming

#### **SYMPATHY**

We extend our sympathy to Bunny Nash in the passing of Butch Warren, the son of Bunny's aunt Ella Dorine Warren who also just passed.

We extend our sympathy to the family of Michael Ward, who passed away last week. Michael is the grandson of Millard Adkins.

#### **LADIES NIGHT OUT**

All ladies are invited to a Ladies Night Out here at the building on Friday, February 10 beginning at 6:00pm. Georgia Herren will be aiving the devotional and we'll eniov an Italian dinner. Please see the signup sheet in the lobby. Hostess is Laura Bentley.

#### **YOUTH EVENTS 2023**

There is a signup sheet in the fover for hosting our youth events in the coming year. Some events are already in place for certain months and need a coordinator: other months are open and can be devotionals, outings, in-home, etc. Please see Joey Smith with any questions.

#### **EXTRA PARKING**

Our parking lot has been 100% full for several weeks now....and we're thrilled! Remember that, if you are able, there is plenty of additional parking in our vacant grassy lot next door. Plans are in the works for an expanded parking area.

#### SONG SERVICE + FINGERFOODS

We will enjoy our monthly singing and finger food fellowship meal this evening. Join in!

#### SISTER FRIENDS

The ladies monthly restaurant meetup will be Tuesday, Feb 21 at 9:00am at Bud's Farmhouse Coffee in Oak Ridge.

The March meeting will be Saturday, March 4 at 6:00pm here at the building hosted by Amy Hamby-Scott and Melissa Dupree.

#### LADS TO LEADERS

If any of our youth are interested in participating in Lads to Leaders April 6-9 in Nashville, please see Herb or Resa Byrd to sign up. We are practicing our skills on Wednesday night during Bible class; please see Hannah Cox if you have any questions about that.

#### **YOUTH VALENTINES**

All youth are invited to the church building on Saturday, Feb. 11 at 10:30am, for a fun Valentine gathering. Lunch will be provided. Pease see Billy or Becca Fields and let them know if you are participating.

## **AREA EVENTS**

#### **AREA-WIDE SINGING**

West End Church of Christ: Jan 29

#### **GREAT SMOKY MTN MARRIAGE RETREAT**

Sevierville/Gatlinburg Churches: Feb 15-19

#### CHALLENGE YOUTH CONFERENCE

LeConte Center, Pigeon Forge: Feb 24-26

#### **TEEN & YOUNG LADIES STUDY**

Central Church of Christ/Johnson City: Mar 31

#### **LADIES DAY**

Central Church of Christ/Johnson City: Apr 1

#### LADS TO LEADERS CONVENTION

Nashville: Apr 6-9

## PRAYER LIST

- Annette Smith is recovering at home from her second knee surgery.
- Yvonne Damastus, Becca Fields' mother, is having hip replacement surgery.
- Maddux McInturff is recovering from scarlet fever.
- David Byrd, Herb Byrd's brother, had an appointment at Duke last week.
- Don Scott has been sick at home.
- David McKee, Billy Fields' uncle, is in the hospital after surgery for a perforated esophagus. He did not pass his swallow test. He will be tested again on Monday.
- Stacey Schulz is undergoing GI tests.
- Garry Jones has been sick right before his return trip to India.
- Mac Mowery is recovering from an ear infection.
- Henry Harwell has been sick with a fever.
- Andrew Stanley, Parker Stanley's son, has asked for our prayers that he pass the state board in his efforts to become an RN.
- Laura White, sister of former member Leah Sherwood, is undergoing chemotherapy.
- Jackson Igou will have major surgery January 31 that is hoped will allow him to leave the hospital. His mother's prayer is Psalm 71:20.

Continue to remember: Nader Al-Tawabini, Dudley Brewer, Marge Brewer, Harriette Brown, Carol Burt, Elijah Burt, John Bushey, Sherry Bushey. David Byrd, Resa Marie Byrd, Lisa Carr, Ron Churchwell, Wade Colwell, James Cooper, Bonnie Henderson, Gary Henderson, Jackson Igou, Brenda Jennings, Eddie Jennings, Matt Kilpatrick, Austin Lancaster, Nicole Lancaster, Tivis Lute, Charles McGhee, Norma Jean McGhee, Jason Melton, Nancy Mitchell, Garrett Moore, Katie Moore, Glen Morgan, Nadia, Stefany Nelson, Ouita Northcutt, Susan Olsen, Denise Osborne, Jimmy & Joann Patton, Sabrina Perkins, Barb Peters, Britni Pflieger, Katelynn Pflieger, Kevin Pflieger, Linda Roberson, Debbie Simon, Jerry Truitt, Andrew Verble, Rhett Wallace, Elijah Yastrub

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, Virginia Franklin, Jean Huges, Pat Humphrey, Gene Hundley, Larry Phillips, David Pippen, Kevin Shanahan, Wayne Simon, Steve Simpson, Robert Sudderth, Melissa Weaver, Ted Wheeler, Laura White, Gail Wilkinson, Anne Williams, Buddy Wilson, Donnie Woods, Mark Yarber

Shut-In: At Home - Derita Steele; 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** or given to Joey Smith.

#### **COMMUNION PREPARATION**

The signup sheet for 2023 communion prep is now in the foyer. We will continue to utilize the individual cups with pickup in the foyer.

#### CHALLENGE YOUTH CONFERENCE

CYC 2023 will be February 24-26 with the theme "Are You Listening?" Tickets have been ordered; the cost to attend this year is \$75 per person. Please see Joey Smith with any questions or to turn in your money.