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FOR THE RECORD

Sunday AM

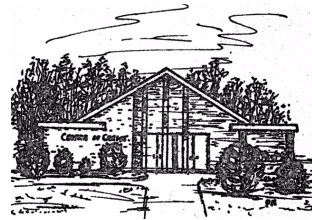
Bible Study	83
Worship	113
Contribution	\$4919

Sunday PM

Worship	56
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Wednesday

Bible Study	63
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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 - SEBS

Please follow us on



Serving the Congregation: Feb 12, 2023

	AM	PM
Song Leaders:	Clint Patterson	Tim Melton
Opening Prayer:	WT Crider	Joshua Moorey
Lord's Table:	Dale Mowery	Stump Smith

Closing Prayer:	Earl Broadway	Jody Yarber
Announcements:	Herman Herren	
Usher:	Tim Nygard	

Wednesday evening: Feb 15, 2023

Song Leader:	Chuck Kilpatrick
Invitation:	Richard Bentley
Announcements:	Herb Byrd

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Celebrating 80 Years in Clinton 1943 - 2023

Look Up!

By Lance Cordle

Recently, my wife and I set up a bird feeder in a different part of the yard from the section we had used previously. A cold front was on its way and we set the feeder up before its arrival. Following the placement of the feeder, we watched to see if the birds would find it in time to take advantage of it during the frigid temperatures. As I watched some of the birds gathering in the vicinity of the feeder, I kept saying to myself (because the birds could not hear or understand me), "Look up!" I knew the source of their nourishment and strength was within their reach, and that they needed to see it and fly up to it.

It seems to me that there is a similar situation when it comes to people and their spiritual strength. The Psalmist confidently affirmed, "God is my refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble" (Psalms 46:1). However, not everyone feels the same way, and not everyone takes advantage of the strength available, even if they know about it.

Followers of God would do well to remember the main point of one of the most famous incidents/stories in the Bible. As young David arrived at the scene of an impending battle, he was surprised and dismayed to know that the army of Israel, and in turn, the God of Israel were being defied by their enemy. It is interesting to notice that the English word "defy" or a form of it is used at least four times in the seventeenth chapter of 1 Samuel, (English Standard Version) and is in reference to the actions of the giant Goliath. When David heard of the taunts of the enemy, he was quick to defend the LORD and assert that a victory over Goliath could and would come through God Almighty. Before he killed Goliath, David made it clear where his faith was placed and delivered a detailed summary of what he was sure would happen to the Philistine, when he concluded, "For the battle is the LORD's, and he will give you into our hand" (1 Samuel 17:47).

When we are tempted to be discouraged and sure of defeat, we must remember to look up—to the same God who delivered David and others from physical and spiritual peril. The Lord has promised, "I will never leave you nor forsake you" (Hebrews 13:5). In a masterfully worded rhetorical question, the divinely inspired apostle Paul asked, "If God be for us, who can be against us" (Romans 8:31). Who, indeed?

Our obstacles are real: discouragement, lust, anger, jealousy, unbelief, to name a few. They can be overcome—but we must look up!

"I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come? My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth" (Psalms 121:1, 2).

To our members and visitors:

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

CLINTON CALENDAR

Feb 17	Men's Fellowship
Feb 21	Sister Friends
Feb 24-26	CYC
Feb 26	Song Service/Fingerfoods
Mar 4	Sister Friends
Apr 1	Egg Hunt
Apr 6-9	Lads to Leaders
Apr 30	80th Anniversary H-coming

SYMPATHY

We extend our sympathy to Julia Mowery in the passing of her aunt, **Nora Bates**.

MEN'S PRAYER MEETING & FELLOWSHIP

Join us Friday, Feb 17 @ 5:30 for a time of prayer and fellowship. We will have dinner, discuss needs, pray for the church and each other, and then spend some quality time together.

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 a garden tea on Saturday, March 4 at 11:00am here at the building hosted by Amy Hamby-Scott and Melissa Dupree.

CLINTON CHURCH T-SHIRTS

We have new Clinton church t-shirts available for \$10 each. Please see Joey Smith if you are interested in one.

YOUTH EVENTS 2023

There is a signup sheet in the foyer for hosting our youth events in the coming year. Please see Joey Smith with any questions.

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.

THE ELDERS CORNER

All of us want to be successful. Below are five things to consider for having a successful life.

1. Give God the first hour of the day.
2. Give God the first day of the week.
3. Give God the first portion of your pay.
4. Give God the first consideration in every decision.
5. Give God the first place in your hear.

-Dale

AUSTRALIA MISSION

The elders have decided that the Clinton congregation will continue to support the Young family upon their return to Australia and the work in the city of Adelaide. Clinton will be the sponsoring congregation which means other churches who are helping them will send their support here. We will wire the funds to Andrew each month.

MICROPHONE REQUEST

A quick request for those serving in the public assembly: the pulpit and table microphones are positioned in the correct place. Please avoid touching or adjusting them if at all possible. Thanks!

AREA EVENTS

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

- **Kenny Warren**, Stephanie Lewis' 17 year old brother, is having seizures from an unknown cause.
- **Kevin Pflieger**, Kevin and Cheri Lancaster's son-in-law, will have back surgery Feb. 21.
- **Annette Smith** is recovering at home from her second knee surgery.
- **Yvonne Demastus**, Becca Fields' mother, is having hip replacement surgery.
- **Donnie McKee**, Billy Fields' uncle, is now home from the hospital.
- **Jacob Byrge**, a friend of Chuck Kilpatrick, was in a serious auto accident.
- **Stacey Schulz** is undergoing GI tests.
- **Lindsay Stanley**, Parker Stanley's daughter, will be traveling overseas soon.
- **Jackson Igou** had major surgery. There were many complications.
- **Melea Smith** is recovering from COVID.
- **Rebecca Nash** has been ill this week.
- **Garry Jones** will be meeting with officials in India to obtain clearance to travel.
- **Mark Yarber**, Jody Yarber's brother, is seriously ill.

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, 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

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 to pay.

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.

EXTRA PARKING

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.