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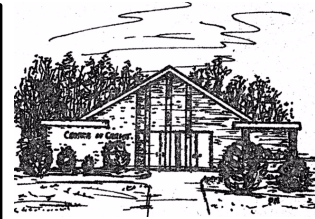
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*A friendly church with
a saving message*

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 - Australia

Please follow us on



Serving the Congregation: June 16, 2024

	AM	PM
Song Leaders:	Joey Smith	Tim Melton
Opening Prayer:	Garry Jones	Joshua Moorey
Lord's Table:	Billy Fields	Don Scott

Closing Prayer:	Wavell Stewart	Wayne Kelly
Announcements:	Arthur Pigman	
Usher:	Dale Mowery	

Wednesday evening: June 19, 2024

Song Leader: Samuel Cox
Invitation: Jimmy Ashworth
Announcements: Arthur Pigman

FOR THE RECORD

Sunday AM

Bible Study	—
Worship	121
Contribution	\$3774

Sunday PM

Worship	46
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Wednesday

Bible Study	67
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Celebrating 81 Years in Clinton 1943 - 2024

Dads: Define Your Success the Right Way

By Adam Faughn

Looking at the world through the lens of the Bible, it is obvious that our culture is in very dangerous times. Morally speaking, the larger culture in which we find ourselves is seemingly running headlong away from any sense of Biblical morality and is transplanting it with perversion, rebellion against authority, and a "no one can tell me what to do" attitude.

One sign of that dangerous trend has been going on for a long time, and that is the subversion of fatherhood in the culture. A man who would strive to just be a good dad is the brunt of countless jokes. Because he might not be the richest or the strongest or the wildest, he is treated as weak and boring. He is the idiot in the sitcoms. He is the punching bag in many gossip sessions. He "can't do anything right."

This is a very dangerous sign because, when we look at the Bible, a man who would simply be a good and faithful dad is held up as a lynchpin in the home and in society. It is fathers who are told to "bring [your children] up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord" (Ephesians 6:4). Do mothers not have a role in that? There is no doubt that they do, but the primary weight of responsibility lands squarely on the shoulders of the father. A real man, no matter what society says, is a man who shoulders that responsibility with every fiber of his being.

Years ago, Clifton Rogers wrote a poem that expresses the heart of a dad who has his priorities in order:

I may never be as clever as my neighbor down the street,
I may never be as wealthy as some other men I meet,
I may never have the glory that some other men have had,
But I've got to be successful as a little fellow's dad.

There are certain dreams I cherish that I'd like to see come true,
There are things I would accomplish ere my working time is through,
But the task my heart is set on is to guide a little lad,
And to make myself successful as a little fellow's dad.

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CLINTON CALENDAR

Jun 30	Singing/Fingerfoods
Jul 1	Ladies Bible Class
Jul 3	Silver Saints
Jul 14-17	VBS

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

CLINTON VBS

Our VBS "Mountaintop Encounters!" will be July 14-17. Sunday evening will begin at 6:00 and Monday - Wednesday at 7:00. If you are interested in helping out in any way, please see Chris or Hannah Cox.

HANDS & FEET MINISTRY

This week's items for Hands & Feet are: tuna packets, granola bars, and snack crackers. A box for items is in the foyer.

SECURITY NEEDS

Our front doors are equipped with "kick stands" to hold them open, but for this safety of our littlest ones, these front doors DO NOT need to be propped open after services. Thanks!

MICROPHONE REQUEST

For all men who lead in our worship, please be aware that the pulpit and table microphones are usually set in the appropriate place and must be pointed directly at the speaker's mouth. Please, if at all possible, do not touch or adjust the position of the mic; particularly do not push it up and away from your voice. When this happens, the sound booth has difficulty controlling the volume so that all can hear. Thanks for your help and attention to this!

COLLECTION PROJECT

Sheila Herren will be collecting plastic grocery/shopping bags through the end of July. A collection box is in the foyer.

CLINTON SUMMER SERIES

This week:

Adults: The Centurion's Faith - Jimmy Ashworth
Matthew 8:5-13

Youth: Parable of the Friend at Midnight
Luke 11:5-8
Craft: Becca Fields

Next week:

Adults: Jesus Before Pilate - Herb Byrd
John 18:28-40

Youth: Parable of the Good Samaritan
Luke 10:25-37
Craft: Lauren B./Julie Priest

**Please Note: there is a typo in the Summer Series flyer in the foyer. Tim Melton will teach the adult class on the 10th and the VBS finale will be the 17th.*

LADIES BIBLE CLASS

Our next ladies Bible class will be Monday, July 1 at 6:30pm.

TEENAGE CHRISTIAN CAMP

Week 2 of TCC begins today! Several of our young folks will be out there this week. There's still time to sign up for the remaining weeks of camp. Sign up at teenagechristiancamp.org.

VISITATION & OUTREACH

Remember to pick up the new visitation and outreach sheets at the rear of the auditorium tonight.

AREA EVENTS

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS

Karns Church of Christ: June 16-19
West End Church of Christ: July 7-10
Clinton Church of Christ: July 14-17
LaFollette Church of Christ: July 21-25
Wooddale Church of Christ: July 29

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

PRAYER REQUESTS

This Week:

- **Garry Jones** has been sick at home.
- **Mark Yarber** is in ICU in Oak Ridge on oxygen. He is in need of encouragement.
- **The Nelson family**, formerly at the Oliver Springs congregation and now in Chattanooga, are in need of our prayers as they welcome new foster children into their home.
- **Lindsay Stanley**, Parker Stanley's daughter, is in need of our prayers for the stability of her nursing job.
- **Brian West**, Betty Gossett's cousin, found out that his cancer has returned.

Last Week:

- **Richard Bentley** is now home under the care of home health. He is making good progress.
- **Chuck Kilpatrick** is continuing to improve at home after surgery.
- **Stacey Schulz** is now home after a trip to the ER and a stay in the hospital.
- **Mackenzie Earle**, a teacher at Clinton Elementary, is recovering from neck & back surgery.
- **Bennett Smith** is recovering from feeling ill.

Sympathy:

- To **Ashley McInturff** in the passing of her stepfather, **Joe DeLucia**.

Shut-In:

- At home - **Betty Weaver**
- Norris Health & Rehab - **Polly Keck**

Please send prayer requests and updates to churchofchristclinton@gmail.com or give to Joey Smith in writing.

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I may never come to glory, I may never gather gold,
Men may count me as a failure when my business tale is told,
But if he who follows after shall be manly, I'll be glad,
For I'll know I've been successful as a little fellow's dad.

It's the one job I dream of; it's the task I think of most;
If I fail that growing youngster, I'd have nothing else to boast;
For though wealth and fame I'd gather, all my future would be sad,
If I failed to be successful as that little fellow's dad.

My "lad" is not so little anymore (nor is my girl), but I fully get the feeling of that poem. Certainly, there are wishes and dreams I might have that my children could "hold me back" on, because it takes a tremendous amount of time and energy and money to raise children. But when my priorities are aligned with the will of God, my children are not holding me back at all, because I am doing the most important work any dad could ever do when I spend time with them and in-still Biblical values in their hearts.

Dads, if you are being a faithful and godly dad, society will make fun of you and try to tell you to feel as if your role is nothing but outdated, overbearing, or just drudgery. But we know better! We know that God gave us these children to raise, teach, discipline, and disciple, and if we are doing that with every ounce of our bring, we are a true success.