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FOR THE RECORD

Sunday AM

Bible Study	101
Worship	143
Contribution	\$4800

Sunday PM

Worship	70
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Wednesday

Bible Study	75
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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 - Australia

Please follow us on



Serving the Congregation Today

	AM	PM
Song Leaders:	Ben Smith	Tim Melton
Opening Prayer:	Tommy Warren	Billy Humphrey
Lord's Table:	Herb Byrd	Herman Herren
Closing Prayer:	Dale Tanner	Wavell Stewart
Bible Reading:	Dale Mowery	
Usher:	Chuck Kilpatrick	
Announcements:	Chris Cox	
Sound Booth:	Joey Smith	

Serving Wednesday Evening

Song Leader:	Chuck Kilpatrick
Invitation:	Clint Patterson
Announcements:	Chris Cox

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Celebrating 82 Years in Clinton 1943 - 2025

What Went Through Her Mind

By Adam Faughn

There are times when reading a passage of Scripture, I have to stop and wonder what someone was thinking or feeling as the events unfolded. At times, the Bible tells us what an individual was thinking, but many times, those details are not provided. While we do not need to try to come to some hard-and-fast conclusion about how someone felt or what they thought when the text does not reveal it to us, it is still an interesting exercise to engage in.

One of those times for me is in Acts 1, as a small group of the faithful were meeting in the upper room. Following the ascension of Jesus, 120 people were present in that room. The apostles would take that opportunity to appoint Matthias to take the place of Judas Iscariot, but most of what was done in that room was waiting, as Jesus had told them to do.

However, the Holy Spirit felt it was important for us to know at least some of those 120 who were present. The apostles were there, as well as "the women," presumably, those who had helped with the ministry of Jesus. Acts 1:14 ends by telling us that among those 120 were also "Mary the mother of Jesus, and His brothers" (literally, siblings).

When I read that detail, I cannot help but wonder what was going through the mind and heart of Mary. Those brothers had not believed in Jesus during His ministry. In fact, on one occasion, they had basically attempted to set him up, likely to be imprisoned or even killed (John 7:1-5).

Now, however, here were those same brothers, meeting with this small band of believers. Two of them--James and Jude--would go on to be inspired writers of New Testament texts. So far as we know, all of them remained faithful to Jesus.

What a blessing for that mother! The Bible does not reveal to us conversations that Mary had with those brothers during the ministry of Jesus when they struggled so much with believing in Him. We are left to our imaginations to wonder what she said, how she prayed, or what else she might have done. While we cannot go beyond the text, our hearts are filled with images of her desiring for these siblings to believe in their Brother.

Though it took some time, it would seem that the resurrection was the key (cf. 1 Corinthians 15:7). Now, those siblings were faithful to Jesus. We have to believe that Mary's heart was filled with praise and joy.

Today being Mother's Day, I believe her heart is similar to the heart of virtually every faithful Christian mom. Whether their children are faithful to the Lord or not, that is what they desire. They pray for it earnestly. They do what they know to do to help their children--small or grown--to know Jesus and be faithful to Him. Above anything else, that is what they want for their kids.

Those children may or may not be part of what is still a small band of faithful followers, but that is the heart of a Christian mother. And if anything can change those children, it is the same thing that changed the siblings of Jesus: His resurrection. Take them there. Remind them of His power over sin and the grave. Pray they will come to understand the eternal difference that miracle makes.

That is the heart of a Christian mother, and we praise God for each one of them today.

CLINTON CALENDAR

May 17	Sister Friends
May 18	Morning Pointe Singing
May 18	Area-Wide Youth @ Clinton
May 25	Song Service/Fingerfoods
May 25	Graduate Recognition Night
July 6-9	VBS

To our members and visitors:
Welcome to Clinton and

Happy Mother's Day!

NEW MEMBERS

We are delighted that **Norm & Mardene Williams** have placed their membership with the church family here at Clinton. Their contact information has been added to your online directory & app.

AREA-WIDE YOUTH DEVOTIONAL

We will host the next area-wide devo here at Clinton on Sunday, May 18 at 4:00pm! Youth from around the area will be here for the devotional and a period of fellowship. All are welcome to attend the devo and help us welcome our visitors. If you are willing to help with food, please see Susan Smith to bring chocolate chip cookies or brownies (no nuts).

HANDS & FEET MINISTRY

This week's items for Hands & Feet are: granola bars, pudding cups, and pop tarts. A box for items is in the foyer.

GRADUATE & STUDENT RECOGNITION

At our evening service and fellowship meal on May 25, we will honor our graduates and student accomplishments for the year. Please give Joey Smith a list of your student's school and work accomplishments by May 21 so that we may recognize them.

MORNING POINTE SINGING

Our monthly singing with the residents of Morning Pointe Assisted Living will be next Sunday, May 18, at 3:00.

TEENAGE CHRISTIAN CAMP

Registration is open for the 6 weeks of TCC. Schedules are available in the foyer and registration & be completed online.

SISTER FRIENDS

Join Sister Friends here at the church building on Saturday, May 17 at 11:30am for lunch and devotional on "What is Your Love Language?" A sign up sheet for food is in the foyer. For any questions, see Rebecca or Sheila.

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

The architect, in coordination with the contractor, should have building plans ready to submit to the city by mid-June. If all goes well, we should see building construction commence some time after that.

The parking lot has now been striped to aid in parking! The entrance will shift slightly as construction progresses, so a few spots near the magnolia tree will not be usable until then.

YOUTH CPR CLASS

Any of our youth that are interested in taking a CPR and First Aid basic knowledge class, please see Sheila Herren.

AREA EVENTS

MEN'S DAY

South Knoxville Church of Christ: May 17

AREA-WIDE YOUTH DEVOTIONAL

Clinton Church of Christ: May 18

SOUTHEAST LEADERSHIP CAMP

Karns Church of Christ: June 7-15

POLISHING THE PULPIT

Sevierville: Aug 15-21

PRAYER REQUESTS

This Week:

- **Millard Adkins** was taken to the hospital with chest pains.
- **Resa Byrd** has been sick at home.
- **Caleb Holt** has an appointment with a pulmonologist on June 23 for further evaluation.

Last Week:

- **Karen Yarber** received good test results. She is still cancer free!
- **Linda Goucher**, Becca Fields' grandmother is traveling in California and has the shingles.

Shut-In:

- Norris Health & Rehab - **Polly Keck**
- Courtyards Oak Ridge - **Bobbie Sue Phillips. Laura Waldron**

Please send prayer requests and updates to
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or give to Joey Smith in writing.

Godly Mothers

By Dan C. Bailey

In a world burdened with wars, economic crises, crime, and traumatic physical events such as hurricanes, floods, tornados, and earthquakes, a day to honor mothers may seem trivial. Yet, the greatest influence in the world, other than the Word of God, is a godly mother. "Who can find a virtuous woman? for her price is far above rubies" (Proverbs 31:10). She helps to mold and fashion her children to become good citizens and future leaders. She is especially influential when she is a godly mother. She teaches her children to work hard, to pray, and to love the Lord and His Holy Word. A godly mother struggles with her children at worship services, knowing that they will someday become Christians and eventually inherit immortality. Her efforts are often taken for granted and even unappreciated by some, but you can be sure that God notices her great labors! The greatest attributes of a godly mother are love, service to the Almighty, and sacrifice. Isn't it interesting that these are the same qualities that were in Jesus, our Lord and Savior?

Mothers should be appreciated every day of the year. Fathers should help and encourage their wives in the rearing of the children. Children should obey, be respectful, love, and appreciate all that a godly mother has done for them. "Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee" (Exodus 20:12). "For Moses said, Honour thy father and thy mother; and, Whoso curseth father or mother, let him die the death" (Mark 7:10).

When mothers get older they are still mothers, and they should never, on any occasion, be treated with contempt and disrespect. "Hearken unto thy father that begat thee, and despise not thy mother when she is old" (Proverbs 23:22). The children owe this, and so much more to their mothers. When Jesus was dying on the cross, He turned His mother over to the care of the apostle John. "Now there stood by the cross of Jesus his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Cleophas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus therefore saw his mother, and the disciple standing by, whom he loved, he saith unto his mother, Woman, behold thy son! Then saith he to the disciple, Behold thy mother! And from that hour that disciple took her unto his own home" (John 19:25-27). The Son of God demonstrated His love and respect for His dear mother. How about you?