

# Clinton Church of Christ

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## FOR THE RECORD

### Sunday AM

Bible Study	80
Worship	126
Contribution	\$6035

### Sunday PM

Worship	63
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### Wednesday

Bible Study	67
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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

	<u>AM</u>	<u>PM</u>
<b>Song Leaders:</b>	Chris Cox	Tommy Warren
<b>Opening Prayer:</b>	Joshua Moorey	Chuck Kilpatrick
<b>Lord's Table:</b>	Arthur Pigman	Herb Byrd
<b>Closing Prayer:</b>	Clint Patterson	Samuel Cox
<b>Bible Reading:</b>	Tim Melton	
<b>Usher:</b>	Dale Mowery	
<b>Announcements:</b>	Don Scott	
<b>Sound Booth:</b>	Billy Fields	

## Serving Wednesday Evening

<b>Song Leader:</b>	Rick Caudle
<b>Invitation:</b>	Samuel Cox
<b>Announcements:</b>	Don Scott

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*Celebrating 82 Years in Clinton 1943 - 2025*

## A Father's Work

By Brian Mitchell

For the man with children, it does not matter what profession one may choose, there is no greater work than that which is done as a father. When it comes to the problems which ail our society a lengthy list could be produced. However, I would suggest to you that one of the greatest problems our society is facing is the absence of the godly father in the home, and I am not just talking about the homes where the father has left. A father does not have to leave the home to leave the home. Many homes have broken down merely because the fathers of our society have abdicated their roles as the leader of the family. As a tragic result, many of our children and our society are suffering as a result.

Consider the following statistics regarding children in homes where the father is absent, in spirit or in presence. Children without fathers are at an increased risk for antisocial behaviors—such as fighting, lying, cheating and criminal behavior. They are at an increased risk for depression and suicide. They are nearly twice as likely to engage in the use of tobacco products, illegal drugs and alcohol; and twice as likely to engage in pre-marital sex. Let us never underestimate the powerful influence that fathers have in the lives of their children and thus in our world as a whole. It has been said that, "Children love their mothers, but they follow their fathers." If this is true, as father we must ask; where are we leading our children?

In Eph.6:4 the Apostle Paul examines the work of the father in both negative (what they shouldn't do) and positive terms (what they should do). If we as fathers are going to lead our children anywhere worth going we need to understand what Paul says our work as a father is. To fathers Paul writes, "and you father, do not provoke your children to wrath, but bring them up in the training and admonition of the Lord."

Let us first consider the work of the father from the negative perspective. "Fathers, do not provoke your children to wrath." Provoke to wrath—is a term which means to make angry and when fathers provoke their children they are causing them to become discouraged, frustrated, and eventually to lose heart. Fathers can do this through unrealistic expectations, preferential treatment of siblings, the use of excessive

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# CLINTON CALENDAR

June 29 Song Service/Fingerfoods  
July 2 Silver Saints  
July 5 VBS Work Day  
July 6-9 VBS

To our members and visitors:  
Welcome to Clinton! We are  
glad you're here!

## VBS PROJECTS

There is a signup sheet in the foyer to bring in supplies for our VBS service projects. If you would rather contribute money towards the projects, please see Amy Hamby-Scott.

## CLINTON CAMP SCHOLARSHIPS

We are fortunate to have some generous folks who would like to pay for our TCC Clinton campers to bring a friend to camp. If you are interested in this, please see Herb Byrd, Don Scott, or any members of the camp boards.

## TRANSFORM LADIES CONFERENCE

Transform Ladies Conference is September 5-7 at the LeConte Center in Pigeon Forge. The theme this year is "TRUST: No Matter the Season." Estimated Cost is \$225 per person for ticket, food, and lodging. Please let Susan Smith know if you plan to attend by making \$100 deposit no later than July 23, 2025.

## HANDS & FEET MINISTRY

This week's items for Hands & Feet are: 8x12 or 10x10 canopies/shelters, beanie weenies, packets of oatmeal, bottled water, and tuna packets. A box for items is in the foyer.

## VISITATION & OUTREACH

This week's visitation and outreach sheet will be available this afternoon. Please see Arthur Plgman to get involved!.

## CLINTON SUMMER SERIES

This week:

Adults: Enduring Temptations - James 1:12-15, Samuel Cox

Youth: Aaron - Exodus 32, Craft: Ben Smith

Next week:

Adults: Be Doers of the Word - James 1:22-25, Chris Cox

Youth: Miriam - Numbers 12, Craft: Lauren Bentley

## CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Our architect, contractor, and the elders have a meeting on Tuesday to work on finalizing the technical plans that must be turned in to the city to obtain a building permit. We are slowly but surely getting to the point where we'll begin to see the building addition go up! Please continue to be in prayer for this effort.

## THANK YOU

Thank you to Betty Gossett for planting and caring for the new flowers in the brick planter on the front porch. The beauty of God's creation is visible every time we walk by!

## YOUTH CPR CLASS

There is a signup sheet in the foyer for any of our youth who are interested in taking a CPR and First Aid basic knowledge class. Please see Sheila Herren with any questions.

# AREA EVENTS

## VBS

West End Church of Christ: June 30-July 2

## KIDS AREA-WIDE EVENT

Lenoir City Church of Christ: July 13

## VBS

LaFollette Church of Christ: July 28-31

## POLISHING THE PULPIT

Sevierville: Aug 15-21

# PRAYER REQUESTS

## This Week:

- **Tangelia Kesterson** has pneumonia and bronchitis.
- **Bobbie Sue Phillips** is in Methodist Medical Center in Oak Ridge.
- **Joey Smith** has shoulder surgery on Tuesday.

## Last Week:

- **Pat Humphrey** had some medical tests.
- **Ellis Jackson**, Jeff Jackson's father, has been in the hospital.
- **Larry Jones** continues to be under hospice care.
- **Kyle Macon**, a friend of Lauren Bentley, has been diagnosed with Stage 3 colon cancer.

## Shut-In:

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

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discipline or simply neglect. Regardless of how one might cause his own children to lose heart, Paul says don't do it. This does not mean that children will agree with every decision a father makes but it does call for careful attention to how one is dealing with his children and the affect it is having on them.

From the positive perspective Paul says that fathers are to "bring them up in the training and admonition of the Lord." "In the training" refers to a holistic child education and includes the discipline needed to carry it out. As I said, excessive discipline can provoke a child to wrath but this does not mean that loving discipline done to instruct children in righteousness is not needed. "And admonition of the Lord" refers to instruction or warning, the qualifying phrase of which is "in the Lord." Thus, we as fathers are supposed to impart spiritual instruction to our children. While the mothers must help in all of this, the primary responsibility lay with the father.

So on this Father's Day I encourage each of our fathers here to answer an important question; Where are You Leading Your Children?

# HAPPY FATHERS DAY!!!!