

# Clinton Church of Christ

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## FOR THE RECORD

### Sunday AM

Bible Study	100
Worship	144
Contribution	\$4938

### Sunday PM

Worship	78
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### Wednesday

Bible Study	74
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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>	Ben Smith	Joey Smith
<b>Opening Prayer:</b>	WT Crider	Arthur Pigman
<b>Lord's Table:</b>	Chris Cox	Dale Mowery
<b>Closing Prayer:</b>	James McCrary	Wayne Kelly
<b>Bible Reading:</b>	Bradley Crider	
<b>Usher:</b>	Tim Nygard	
<b>Announcements:</b>	Don Scott	
<b>Sound Booth:</b>	Billy Fields	

## Serving Wednesday Evening

<b>Song Leader:</b>	Clint Patterson
<b>Invitation:</b>	Kurt Simon
<b>Announcements:</b>	Don Scott

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*Celebrating 82 Years in Clinton 1943 - 2025*

# The Christian's Commitment

By Jared Green

As New Testament Christians, we often pride ourselves in our desire to restore the first century church to the best of our ability. As a result of this mission, we assemble to worship each Lord's Day. In our worship, we sing without instrumental accompaniment. We partake of the Lord's Supper each week. We are led spiritually by a plurality of elders. We do these things (along with many more) because Scripture shows they were done in congregations established by the apostles in the first century. Personally, I am thankful for our desire to have such a Christ-focused church.

While this mission often focuses on corporate aspects, it is also important for us to mirror early Christianity on an individual level. In Acts 2, Luke provides us with insight into what daily Christianity looked like for the first 3,000 Christians. As we continually work to restore the first century church, it is my belief that we should put just as much emphasis on the individual's role in the body as we do worship, for example. What, then, do the first Christians teach us about the Christian life?

They committed themselves to learning God's Word. We are told that "they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching" (Acts 2:42a). Being freshly converted from Judaism, these men and women understood the necessity of growing their new faith in Christ. As a result of their commitment, they were in awe of what was being said and done by the apostles (v. 43). May we never lose the desire to grow and be awed by the beauty of God's Word, no matter how long we have been studying it.

They committed themselves to unity. Along with their devotion to study, they also devoted themselves to "the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and prayers" (v. 42b). "And all who believed were together and had all things in common" (v. 44). They were constantly gathered in some fashion, eating together, praising God, and having favor with all the people (vv. 46-47). May we always understand God's call for unity and the need to be in consistent fellowship with one another.

They committed themselves to sacrificial giving. Luke says, "And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need" (v. 45). While this was, in part, because some of these new Christians were far from home, having recently traveled to Jerusalem for Pentecost, the principle remains vitally important. As stewards of God's blessings, we are called to give generously to bless those around us.

With this commitment to a new way of selfless, familial living, the results became obvious. We are told that "the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved" (v. 47b). The gospel of Jesus was being taught, both by word and example, and many souls were saved as a result. May we live with the same vigor and commitment to the gospel today. God loves you, and so do I.

# CLINTON CALENDAR

Aug 31 Song Service/Fingerfoods  
Sept 3 Silver Saints Picnic  
Sept 5-7 Ladies Conference trip  
Sept 13 Youth CPR Class  
Sept 21 L2L Kickoff

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

## RESPONSES

Our sister **Melea Jean Beshires** responded to the Lord's invitation on Sunday asking for the prayers of her church family. Please be in prayer for Melea Jean and her children and encourage them in any way you can.

**Nicholas Jones** was baptized into Christ last Sunday afternoon! We rejoice with Nicholas & Helen and want to pray for him as he begins his Christian walk.

**Rachel Fields** was baptized at our Wednesday night Bible study! We celebrate with Rachel and her family in the greatest decision of her life.

## LADS TO LEADERS KICKOFF

Mark your calendars for Sunday, Sept. 21 for our 2026 Lads to Leaders Kickoff! We will have lunch after morning services and begin signing up for year-round and convention events.

## MINISTRY SUPPLY NEEDS

This week's items for **Hands & Feet**: granola bars, bottled water, men's clothing

For **Isaiah 117 House**: <https://a.co/dj7bup6>: Snacks: <https://a.co/eW2HQB5>. Gift Cards: Amazon, Walmart, Door Dash, Rack Room Shoes, Old Navy

## CLINTON SUMMER SERIES

This week:

Adults: Fervent Prayer of the Righteous - James 5:13-20, Kurt Simon  
Youth: Peter, Craft: Laura Bentley

Thanks to all our speakers, teachers, crafters, and helpers who made our 2025 Summer Series a great success!

## SISTER FRIENDS

If you are interested in hosting the October Sister Friends gathering, see Susan Smith.

## VISITATION & OUTREACH

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

## SILVER SAINTS PICNIC

The annual Silver Saints Picnic at Norris Dam State Park will be Wednesday, September 3. Everyone is invited to come, silver or not! Please see the signup sheet in the foyer.

## YOUTH CPR CLASS

Our youth CPR class taught by Sheila Herren will be Saturday, Sept. 13 starting at 10:00am here at the building. See Sheila with questions.

## AREA EVENTS

### TRANSFORM LADIES CONFERENCE

Pigeon Forge: Sept 5-7

### FOREVER HIS CAMP

Karns Church of Christ: Sept 13

### AREA-WIDE YOUTH

Maryville Church of Christ: Sept 14

### AREA-WIDE YOUTH

West End Church of Christ: Oct 12

### AREA-WIDE YOUTH

Wooddale Church of Christ: Nov 9

## PRAYER REQUESTS

### This Week:

- **Lisa Bailey**, sister of Pauline Brown from the Rocky Top congregation, is in the nursing home under hospice care.
- **Loretta Dodson**, sister of Pauline Brown, is currently on life support at UT Medical Center.
- **Wavell Stewart** is recovering from a broken elbow.
- **Rick Caudle** had some tests last week.
- **Jean Humphrey** has been sick the past week.
- **Garry Jones** will be returning to India on Sept. 3 and is in need of our prayers for safe travel and for entrance into the work area.
- **Maple Lemonds**, granddaughter of Scott & Jennifer Mowery, is in the hospital in Texas with complications from rhinovirus, pneumonia, and a collapsed lung. She is intubated and in an induced coma. Maple is 20 months old.

### Last Week:

- **Herman Herren** is home after a trip to the ER with hip and leg issues.
- **Jeff & Henry Harwell** were in an auto accident. They are both doing well.
- **Karen Yarber** saw an orthopedic doctor last week.
- **Christian Gonzalez** is recovering from an ear infection.
- **Carolyn Cox** has been sick at home.
- **Tim Cox** is at home recovering from a procedure.

### Sympathy:

- To the family of **Larry Jones**, Garry Jones' twin brother, who passed away after a battle with corticobasal degeneration

### Shut-In:

- Norris Health & Rehab - **Polly Keck**
- Courtyards Oak Ridge - **Laura Waldron**

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

## CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

The foundation contractor will be putting up the forms for the concrete slab for our new fellowship building starting this week. Plumbing and electrical placement will begin before the concrete is poured.

## NEW BIBLE CLASS QUARTER

The new quarter for our Sunday morning and Wednesday evening Bible classes will begin on Sunday, Sept. 7.

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