

Hickory Church of Christ

Imperfect people learning to love perfectly.

Sunday, March 22, 2020

The Hickory Church of Christ is Praying

HCOG Daily Prayer – Build Your kingdom here. Let the darkness fear. Show Your mighty hand. Heal our streets and land. Set Your church on fire. Win this nation back. Change the atmosphere. Build Your kingdom here. I pray.

Casey Allen is facing challenges.

Barry Barlow, nephew of Barbara Eddins, Judy Cole and Billie Dennie, has abdominal tumors.

David Bierce seeks spiritual strength to **live out** his faith. This is a great prayer request for us all.

Mary Ellen Bross of NY, Dora McDonald's daughter; cancer treatments.

Sally Cannon is out of the hospital.

Karen Catlett, a dialysis patient, may be weeks from getting a new kidney. She and Ray send their love from Florida.

Johnny Catlett, Ray's brother, had a clear pet scan recently, for his cancer.

Mary Nell Covalinski has a slow healing L1 Compression Fracture and broken rib. She is challenged by daily responsibilities. Much prayer & encouragement needed.

Billie Dennie has health challenges.

Debbie Dennie, niece of Billie Dennie, Barbara Eddins and Judy Cole, had surgery for two broken ankles she sustained from a car accident.

Larry Duncan had rotator cuff and detached muscle repaired. He'll start physical therapy soon.

Barbara Eddins is homebound.

Scott Fitch and family are coping with Blanch's dementia. Scott & Blanch were married 50 years Jan. 31, 2020.

Nick Hall (Army Basic Trng): Pvt Hall, Martin; Rooster #204 2nd Plt.; B-TRP,2-15 CAV, 194th; Ft. Benning, GA, 31905. He graduated 3/19/20, but will remain in GA for a while, due to traveling restrictions related to coronavirus!!!

Ann Henry is taking physical therapy for a herniated disc.

Ron Henry had CT scans, to determine treatment for heart valve issues

Roy Henson is having infusion treatments as part of Multiple Sclerosis treatment.

Kay Matthews, formerly part of the Hickory Church of Christ family, is grieving the passing of her husband, Jack.

Jane Mays is at Elmcroft Assisted Living.

Mary Nichols is homebound.

Erica Pope is not doing well physically.

Tammy Rainwater is home, after rehab and back surgery. She's grateful for love & support shown during her rehab.

Mark Roberts passed into eternity, Sun. 3/15/20. Pray for his wife, Pam, and all the family. Memorial Service details have not yet been worked out.

Marti Shirah is homebound.

Lewis & Edith Steelman - Bryan's Dad is not doing well; he's at Abernethy Laurels Nursing Home. Bryan's Mom has worsening memory issues.

Coronavirus has affected many. **Pray for a cure and strength for those affected. Pray that those seeking employment will soon find such.**

Pray for God to reveal who He would have shepherd us; our March 29th Congregation Mtg will address such.

Pray for God to add families/children to our number.

Pray that we all will freely share and hearts will be open to Christ's Gospel.

Pray for men to rise up and let God be Lord of their lives.

Pray for students, at all levels; school, police and military staff; and government leaders.

Lectionary Readings

1 Samuel 16:1-13; Psalm 23; Ephesians 5:8-14; John 9:1-41

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

March 25 Scott Powell

Announcements & Reminders

Our Sunday classes and Worship and Wednesday gatherings are canceled through March 25th.

When giving to HCOG, while we are not meeting, please mail offerings to Hickory Church of Christ, 1218 Fairgrove Church Rd, Hickory, NC 28602.

Because our March 15th Blood Drive in honor of Megan Bibbee was canceled, please consider calling Community Blood Center, Call (888) 592-5663, and ask about donating blood there. Blood donations are greatly needed.

Senior Friends gathering at the Smith's Home, scheduled for March 27th, is canceled

Our Congregation Meeting will take place Sun., March 29, at 12 noon. Please plan to attend.

Our April 5th Easter Egg Hunt is canceled. Our Children's ministry team is exploring the possibility of having this later in April.

Wedding shower for Ali Steelman and Noah Franks, Sunday, May 3rd, at noon in the fellowship hall. Bring food (main dish, sides, desserts, and/or drinks) to share. They are registered at Amazon and Walmart. See Janet, Debbie Killian or Kamy with questions

Congratulations and Prayers for Lucy Brown & Bertrand Awana are needed, in light of their recent engagement. They are planning a small, private wedding for May 16, 2020.

Summer Celebration-Lipscomb Univ-"Disciplemaking" June 30-July 2 - <https://www.lipscomb.edu/about/offices-and-services/summer-celebration>

Early housing registration discount ends Mar 31.

A new/used kitchen table set is needed. Let Theresa Watkins know if you have one available.

Funds to help Tennessee Tornado victims can be sent to: Churches of Christ Disaster Response Team, 9285 S. State Route 202, Tipp City, OH 45371
or <https://www.churchesofchristdrt.org/donate>

Thanks to our M-25 Food Pantry Volunteers who served our community Tues. 3/17/20, by providing drive-up food distribution. This is a great ministry to help with. Follow them on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/M25HickoryChurch/>

Kevin & Kamy Bibbee share the following, to help us in these uncertain times with the coronavirus:


- Use each new day we are given to praise God and thank Him for so many blessings.
- Read the Bible, the Word of God. Pick a book to deeply study and learn more about the Lord.
- Avoid over-dosing on the news.
- Pick a project that you have put off "until you had more time" and work on it now.
- Write some letters.
- Call someone you know who needs encouragement.
- Spend some purposeful family time. Play games. Work on a puzzle. Set the screens down and talk with one another.

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