

# Hickory Church of Christ

*Imperfect people learning to love perfectly.*

Sunday, April 19, 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.

**Those with weakened immune systems** need our additional prayers at this time.

**Casey Allen** is facing challenges.

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

**Megan Bibbee** needs healing from congestion.

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

**Sally Cannon** hopes meds will keep her from needing dialysis for her kidney issues.

**Karen Catlett**, a dialysis patient, may be getting a new kidney.

**Johnny Catlett**, Ray's brother, has cancer.

**Mary Nell Covalinski** has slow healing L1 Compression Fracture & broken rib and is challenged by daily responsibilities.

**Billie Dennie** has health challenges.

**Larry Duncan** is undergoing physical therapy, after shoulder surgery.

**Barbara Eddins** is homebound.

**Scott Fitch and family** are coping with Blanch's dementia.

**Nick Hall**: Pvt Hall, Martin; Rooster #204 2nd Plt.; B-TRP,2-15 CAV, 194<sup>th</sup>; Ft. Benning, GA, 31905 – graduated basic trng

**Ron Henry** passed April 3rd at Baptist Hospital. Remember his wife, **Ann**, and sons, Carl & Steven. Memorials may be made to Hickory Church of Christ, 1218 Fairgrove Church Rd, Hickory, NC 28602

**Jane Mays** is at Elmcroft Assisted Living and sends her love to the church.

**Brian McCoy**, former Statesville Police and Landis Police Chief, and father of Joshua McCoy, David Shuping's former student, passed 4/10/20.

**Mary Nichols** is homebound.

**Norman Powell**, Scott's Dad. He is hospitalized in Statesville for dehydration

**Seth Powell** is improving from lower respiratory viral infection. Doctors suspect, but didn't test for coronavirus. He's not a confirmed coronavirus case.

**Pam and April Roberts** and family are coping with **Mark's** passing. The memorial service will be held later.

**Marti Shirah** is homebound.

**Tina**, a friend of several from HCOG, is home after hospitalization for kidney issues. Pray for her spiritual & physical needs.

**Tori & Nathan Sly's son**, Max Gabriel, was born Wed., April 8<sup>th</sup> at 6lbs. 11oz. and 20 inches. Congrats to proud grandparents, Bryan and Jennifer Steelman, and aunts, Ali & Nikki.

**Lewis & Edith Steelman** - Bryan's Dad is not well at Abernethy Laurels. Bryan's Mom has worsening memory issues.

**The coronavirus** has affected many. Pray for a cure, for strength for those with the virus, for medical workers and comfort for those who lost loved ones to the virus.

**Pray that those seeking employment** will soon find such.

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**Pray for God to reveal who He would have shepherd us.**

**Pray for God to bless our families and to add others to our number.**

**Pray that we all will freely share & 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 (especially with school/college closings); school, police & military staff; and govt. leaders.**

## Lectionary Readings

Acts 2:14a, 22-32; Psalm 16

1 Peter 1:3-9; John 20:19-31

## Announcements & Reminders

Due to COVID-19, our "social distancing" must continue.

In light of federal changes in March, we will now NOT meet at the building at least thru April 30th.

Summer celebration at lipscomb university, "Disciplemaking" has been moved to 2021

The Wedding Shower for Ali Steelman and Noah Franks is postponed for now, due to COVID-19

When giving to HCOG, while we are not meeting:

1. Mail a check to Hickory Church of Christ, 1218 Fairgrove Church Rd., Hickory, NC 28602
2. Use on-line banking to set-up the church as a payee. Send an amount every week/month automatically or
3. Donate online: <http://hickorychurch.org/donate/>

Consider ordering a copy of the booklet: "He Did This Just for You" by Max Lucado; read it and share it with someone who could use this Good News message, as mentioned in Kevin's 4/12/20 message.

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.

Agape of NC has posted their April Newsletter: <https://www.agapeofnc.org/news>

## **HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

April 22 Seth Powell

April 23 Noah Franks

April 25 Kimi Hall

## **April Hospitality Coordinator**

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