

# Hickory Church of Christ

Imperfect people learning to love perfectly.

Sunday, November 22, 2020

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## The Hickory Church of Christ is Praying

HCO Daily Prayer – May God's Kingdom Grow Here...

Pray for a neighbor or friend to follow Christ

**Casey Allen** needs strength for challenges.

**Kaylin Bibbee's roommate** at Lipscomb University was quarantined from a possible Covid exposure. Thankfully, this exposure was not from her boyfriend/fiancé. :)

**Megan Bibbee** may have benign fatty deposits on her liver and thus likely nothing to be concerned about. She still seems to have discomfort from Crohn's disease.

**Dave Bierce** will have a biopsy on his mouth, to assess for cancer.

**Carol Byrd**, David Shuping's mother, had two blood clots in her legs. David and family appreciate prayers for her.

**Mark Byers**, Ashley Lowman's endeared uncle in Florida, is taking intense treatments for Leukemia.

**Mary Ellen Bross**, Dora's daughter, had MRI in Oct., to assess effectiveness of brain radiation; next MRI is in January.

**Art Burkhalter** is better after having had pneumonia and cardiac stint installed recently.

**Jerry Burton** had heart bypass surgery Friday, at Baptist, to alleviate the cardiac aneurysm and to replace a valve.

**Shirley Burton**, Jerry's sister in KY, has lung cancer.

**Sally Cannon** is doing well, as she gets used to taking dialysis 3 times weekly.

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

**Chain**, Anna Setzer's brother-in-law, fell back off a ladder, causing a cracked vertebra. Pray for him and his wife, Nora.

**Barbara Eddins** has several health issues.

**Lionel Ellis** is taking meds for prolonged acute sinus issues.

**Ali Franks** is healing, after surgery to straighten her deviated septum.

**Barbara Gnann's** neighbors are recovering from Covid.

**Rachel Haas**, Barbara Gnann's co-worker, has uterine cancer

**Robert Hadden**, Bobbi Henson's Dad, passed after having a massive heart attack.

**Cathy Hall** will have hip replacement surgery Wed., 11/25.

**Ann Henry** is continuing physical therapy at home and welcomes visitors.

**Aaron & Emily Holmes & kids** (Barbara Gnann's daughter) are in Mauritius, off the east coast of Africa, for a three-year mission trip.

**Eadie Hopkins** has been under the weather some recently.

**Janelle**, Jeremy Yoder's grandmother-in-law, is improving after initial treatments for a cancerous tumor on her spine.

**The Killian family and Kristen's parents, the Thrifts**, are all better or improving, after having Covid.

**Robert Link (Jimmie's husband)** is in CCU with Covid. Doctors are trying to wean him off the ventilator, but blood pressure and other issues are impeding progress. He also has pneumonia and a UTI.

**Sparkle Lipford** is to see doctors at Duke in December, regarding a rare condition she is dealing with.

**Jane Mays** is at Elmcroft Assisted Living.

**Joyce Parker, Janet Keever's sister**, passed Sat. 11/14 from Covid complications. Joyce's husband, **Mike**, has Covid. Mike and Joyce's children,

**Zachary and Emily**, need our prayers, along with Mike, Janet and all the family. A graveside service is planned for Mon. Nov. 30 at the Veterans Cemetery in Knoxville, TN.

**Daniel**, Anna Setzer's brother, is challenged by painful eye problems.

**Marti Shirah** is home with health challenges

**John Stasny** tested negative for Covid, but has acute bronchitis.

**Edith Steelman**, Bryan's Mom, has worsening memory issues.

**Tina**, a friend to several in the Hickory church, is regaining strength at a Caldwell County rehab facility, after having had Covid. Pray for her continued openness to the Gospel of Christ.

**James (Jim) M. Valentine**, a former Hickory Church of Christ elder, passed 10/11. Please remember his wife, Deane, of over 60 years; their daughters, Schell Rice and Paige Valentine; and other loved ones.

**Maxine Wharton**, 96, is Andy's mother. She is showing signs of memory or cognitive issues.

**Coronavirus** cases are increasing globally. Pray for proposed vaccines and treatments to be effective, approved and released. Pray for strength for those with the virus; for medical workers; and for all affected by the pandemic.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

November 22 Lucas Arnett

November 26 Dillon King

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

November 25 Kenneth & Alice Lail

November 28 Art & Hester Burkhalter

## Announcements & Reminders

**Our Worship is at 10:30am Sun. at HCO.**

Attend; watch Facebook Livestream or recording later; or listen to recording later on the church website. The Facebook link and church website link are at the top of the bulletin. David Shuping will speak about Jesus' Public Ministry, as seen in John 5 in the Sermon Series: *Jesus, God's Love in Action.*

**Praise God. Lucy Brown Awana was immersed into Christ Sunday.** Pray for her continued growth in Christ. Lucy's Baptism Video: <https://hickorychurch.us4.list-manage.com/track/click?u=0b536993e59a3a2b1a2efae9c&id=beg03e14d3&e=94531cec42>

**Sunday at 9:20am - Adult Bible Class** - In-Person at HCO and on Zoom. Today, we are blessed to have with us, John Magnuson, New Day Director with North Boulevard Church of Christ of Murfreesboro, TN. John is addressing the class on "Essentials of Discipleship." Please email [office@hickorychurch.org](mailto:office@hickorychurch.org) for Zoom ID and handouts, if you would like to attend on Zoom.

**New Sunday Zoom Adult Class on Acts** starts Sun., Nov. 29. Workbooks are available for Part 1 and Part 2 of the class. Pick up the workbooks from the church library. If you're not able to attend on Zoom, please get the workbooks & study the material on your own.

**The Shepherding Course** is Sun. Dec 13th at 4pm, in the church Fellowship Hall (downstairs, around back). Anyone, male or female, who wants to know more about the shepherd's role is invited to attend. Please wear a mask. We will meet with social distancing. Kevin Bibbee will introduce the role of the elder and distribute study materials for the January meeting.

**AGAPE of NC's 5th Annual Change For Life Giving Campaign is here!** AGAPE of NC provides foster care, adoption and counseling services. Collect your change through Dec. 27, in a can from the lobby or on your own, and turn it in to Tom Keever or give by one of the means below.

[Campaign Video](#)

Donate Today to AGAPE of North Carolina:

~Online at: [www.agapeofnc.org/donate](http://www.agapeofnc.org/donate)

~Text GIVE to 919-335-4685. Or

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AGAPE of NC, PO Box 985, Wake Forest, NC 27588

**Many FREE Bibles and related Bible study books** from the library of the late Bob Belville are in the church library in boxes. Please take any of these that you can use and/or contact Nancy Belville, as she has more FREE Bibles/Bible study books to choose from.

**Weekdays 15-minute Noontime Prayer Meeting on Zoom** - a 15-minute time of prayer, at 12 noon, on weekdays is taking place through Christmas. Please email [office@hickorychurch.org](mailto:office@hickorychurch.org), to request the Zoom link, in order to be part of this brief time of prayer and fellowship.

**Young Adults:** Please contact Seth Powell, to take part in their Facebook Messenger Group Bible Study which takes place on Wednesdays at 7pm

**When giving to HCO** (if not on Sundays)

1. Mail check to church address listed below
2. Use on-line banking to set-up the church as a payee.
3. Donate: <http://hickorychurch.org/donate/>

## Lectionary Readings

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24; Psalm 100

Ephesians 1:15-23; Matthew 25:31-46

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