Hickory Church of Christ

Imperfect people learning to love perfectly.

Sunday, December 13, 2020

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The Hickory Church of Christ is Praying

HCOC Daily Prayer - May God's Kingdom Grow Here...

Pray for a neighbor or friend to follow Christ

Casey Allen needs strength for challenges.

A two-month old boy in Lincoln County is hospitalized with Covid. He is part of the church family where Cyndi Burkhalter attends.

Megan Bibbee is seeing slight improvement, after starting new meds.

Dave Bierce had biopsy on his mouth, in checking for cancer.

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

Elsa Barnes is home recovering from Covid. She believes the worst is

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

Jerry Burton is home recovering from heart surgery. Pray for healing. **Shirley Burton,** Jerry's sister in KY, has lung cancer.

Johnny Catlett, Ray's brother, has cancer.

Chain, Anna Setzer's brother-in-law, fell off a ladder, causing a cracked vertebra, but is getting better. Thank you, Lord.

Holt Coleman, Anna Setzer's co-worker's husband, has Covid.

Sharon Duncan and her mother, Eadie Hopkins, are recovering from Covid. Pray for Larry Duncan as he cares for them.

Barbara Eddins has several health issues.

Hattie English, Theresa's cousin, is in Rehab Facility in GA, after having

Rachel Haas, Barbara Gnann's co-worker, has uterine cancer Robert Hadden, Bobbi Henson's Dad, passed after having a massive heart. Pray for comfort for the family.

Cathy Hall is recovering from hip replacement surgery.

Ann Henry is continuing physical therapy at home and welcomes visitors. Tina Holler is grateful for prayers, as she deals with heart issues. Pray for her physical and spiritual needs.

Rossana Lecaros who lost her mother recently in Pineville, NC sends her love to the church and hopes to visit us in the new year.

Robert Link (Jimmie's husband) is slowly mending at home, while still testing positive for Covid. Pray he soon overcomes confusion and regains strength for independent living.

Sparkle Lipford saw doctors at Duke; a sample of an internal area of concern was taken. She will have results in two weeks and may be facing surgery and radiation.

Jane Mays is at Elmcroft Assisted Living.

Mary Nichols' daughter, Angel, and son-in-law, John, have Covid. Their daughters, 10 years and 7 months, are awaiting Covid test results. Pray for God's merciful healing for these.

Joyce Parker, Janet Keever's sister, passed from Covid complications. Joyce's husband, Mike, and their children, Zachary and Emily, need our prayers, along with Janet and all the family.

Daniel, Anna Setzer's brother, is improving after having painful eye

Marti Shirah is home with health challenges

Ann Stasny had a good check-up with the kidney specialist.

John Stasny is healing from cataract surgery.

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

Chastity Stephens, Angela Arnett's daughter, has Covid. She and her two children live with Angela. Pray for everyone in the family to be well, as they are all quarantined together.

Justin Wharton and Tyler Wharton are mending from Covid. Pray for their well-being.

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

December 14 Megan Bibbee December 14 Justin Kime December 15 Danielle King December 18 Kelsey Fecteau December 19 Jerry & Eloise Burton

<u>Announcements & Reminders</u>

Our Worship is at 10:30am Sun. at HCOC.

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. Percil Watkins will speak on "Light of the World," based on John 8 in the Sermon Series: "Jesus, God's Love in Action."

Sunday at 9:20am - Adult Bible Class on Zoom. We are studying Acts. Please email office@hickorychurch.org for Zoom ID, if you would like to attend on Zoom. Workbooks for the study are available; pick up the Part 1 and Part 2 workbooks from the church library. If you're not able to attend on Zoom, please get the workbooks & study the material on your own.

Renew.Org Free Webinar on Prayer and Fasting, Mon. Dec. 7 - 8pm (EST): https://live.renew.org/product/dec-7prayer-and-fasting-the-why-and-thehow/?mc_cid=74ae5554f6&mc_eid=3ae20ee678

The Shepherding Course scheduled for Sun. Dec 13th is canceled. Anyone, male or female, who wants to know more about the shepherd's role and is interested in taking the course, please see Kevin Bibbee for the materials and first homework assignment. The course is put on hold, as we wait to see what the Covid-19 status is in mid-January.

Dennis & Gayle Jaschob have moved to live with their daughter, Jeannine, at 3913 Camellia Dr., Mobile, AL 36693. More info will come later, but we are planning on sending a book with notes. Send emails to kevinkamy@gmail.com Or mail your notes to Bibbee's address, 4147 Hemingway Dr, Hickory, NC 28601, to be placed in the book.

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 cup from the lobby or on your own, and turn it in to Tom Keever or give by one of the means below. Campaign Video Link

Donate Today to AGAPE of North Carolina: ~Online at: http://www.agapeofnc.org/donate ~Text GIVE to 919-335-4685. Or ~Send checks to: AGAPE of NC, PO Box 985, Wake Forest, NC 27588

Discovery Bible Study Bookmarks are available on the front left pew of the church auditorium. Please pick up a set of these and see some of the men who lead in our worship, for details about how to use this simple tool in sharing the Bible with others.

Weekdays 15-minute 12 Noon Prayer Meeting on Zoom Monday - Friday now through Christmas. Please email office@hickorychurch.org, to request the Zoom link for this brief time of prayer and fellowship.

FREE Bibles and Bible study Books from the late Bob Belville's personal library are in the church library in boxes. Boxes on the left walls of the library are open for you to select from

Family in Need - Consider helping provide winter clothes for five children in a low-income family near our church building. Two boys: size 12/14 and Med shirts; Size 3/4 Women for 16 year old girl; and a girl and boy both wearing 4T. Please see Theresa Watkins, if you would like to help provide used or new items for these.

When giving to HCOC (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

Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11; Psalm 126

1 Thessalonians 5:16-24; John 1:6-8, 19-28

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