

# Hickory Church of Christ

Imperfect people learning to love perfectly.

Sunday, January 24, 2021

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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.

Pray for college students, as they return to school, and for Pre-K-12 students with school challenges.

Casey Allen needs strength for challenges.

Dave Bierce is waiting for results for biopsy on his mouth.

Art Burkhalter has been having issues with his kidneys and fluids. He is learning of treatment options.

Mark Byers, Ashley Lowman's uncle, is continuing with treatments for Leukemia. Pray he will be able to receive a bone marrow transplant.

Mary Ellen Bross, Dora's daughter, will have another MRI, to determine if she needs another brain surgery.

Jerry Burton is driving again, after major heart surgery. Eloise Burton fell injuring her back and ankle; she will have a procedure Mon. Jan. 25<sup>th</sup> to address her back pain.

Jerry & Eloise Burton lost Jerry's brother, Leon, Sat. Jan. 2<sup>nd</sup>. He was 74 and lived in Indiana.

Shirley Burton, Jerry's sister in KY, has lung cancer and is having a difficult time.

Sally Cannon had a third outpatient surgery, to prepare the fistula in her arm for her renal dialysis. She and her family lost her Aunt Joann Willis to Covid complications and a prior history of cancer.

Johnny Catlett, Ray's brother, has cancer.

Barbara Eddins is home with health issues.

Rachel Haas, Barbara Gnan's co-worker, has uterine cancer.

Ann Henry is taking physical therapy at home and is doing well.

Betty Hill, mother of Sandra Hill, an HCOC visitor, is doing better with her cancer, as the increased chemo treatments are benefiting her greatly.

Myra Hill has a painful, swollen tendon in her left ankle.

Sandra Hill & Family (Sandra has attended with us often recently) lost her cousin,

Alexander Moss, who died Jan. 2nd from a New Year's Eve car accident. He was remembered Fri. Jan. 15, in a Celebration of Life.

Megan Rae Hollar will have back surgery Feb. 8 at 10:30am in Charlotte. She seeks prayers for a successful surgery and for a smooth six weeks of healing with restrictions.

Tina Holler had successful heart shock and ablation. She was then able to have needed arm surgery, to help with renal dialysis. Pray for her spiritual and ongoing physical needs.

Eadie Hopkins is coping with health issues.

Abigale Hughes & Spencer Hughes, Retta and Chuck Hughes granddaughters, were diagnosed with Covid Friday, 1/15, as well as their mother, Tracy Linton. Tracy has been in the hospital in Raleigh since this Wednesday night with Covid. David Hughes, Abigale and Spencer's Dad, was tested today, Saturday, for Covid. Unfortunately, no quick tests were available, so it will be 2-3 days before he will learn the test results.

Tim Johnson, Pam Dennie's brother, had a stroke that helped doctors find cancer on his brain. He has been impaired by the stroke but received radiation promptly for the brain cancer.

Leroy and Kathy Kennedy of Northview Church of Christ, Statesville, tested positive for Covid.

Lowery Lanier is in Iredell Hospital with blood clots and double pneumonia. He and his wife have Covid. They are members of Northview Church of Christ in Statesville.

Robert Link (Jimmie's husband) has recovered from Covid. Thank the Lord. He has regained his independence.

Cynthia Lipford has been having high blood sugar and other health challenges.

Ryan Lipford is having frequent seizures and other difficulties.

Sparkle Lipford had MRI done, to help with diagnosing her large internal growth. Pray she soon has a diagnosis and treatment plan.

The Maxwell family is overflowing with praise to God, for bringing their 32-year-old autistic, nonverbal son, Bryan, from his perceived final moments to being discharged from the Boston hospital, in his battle with Covid. His twin brother, Justin, was also hospitalized briefly with Covid and their mother, Lisa, is home still fighting Covid. They are singing "hallelujah" to our God.

Jane Mays is at Elmcroft Assisted Living.

Mary Nichols' nephew, Larry Conger, is still in Catawba Valley Medical Center ICU. He stopped breathing once and was revived. He was on the ventilator for a short period, in his struggle with Covid.

Michelle Patrick, Theresa Watkins' sister-in-law in FL, has liver cancer that has spread to several parts of her body; she is taking chemo treatments.

Tracie Perkins was quarantined in Wyoming with her daughter, Ashley, and family, where Ashley tested positive for Covid. Pray for other family members fighting Covid.

Cameron Phillips, Theresa Watkins' nephew, has diabetic ketoacidosis and is in ICU in GA. The family praises God that he got to the hospital when he did and seeks God's favor for his healing.

Marti Shirah is home with health challenges.

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

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

Ray Woodrum, Lucille's son, tested positive for Covid a week ago. He has had a difficult time with the virus. Prayers are greatly appreciated for him.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Jan 24 Jess Abercrombie

Jan 27 Bernie Boags

## Announcements & Reminders

Happy and blessed 2021 to everyone!

2021 Appeal to God: "Open the Eyes to My Heart, Lord"

Sunday at 9:20am - Adult Bible Class on Zoom.

We are studying Acts. Email office@hickorychurch.org for the Zoom Meeting ID.

Sunday Worship Together on Facebook 10:30am -

Due to increasing Covid challenges, we have cancelled in-person Worship Together at least until mid-January. Watch Kevin Bibbee's 10:30am Sun. message on Facebook Livestream, see the Facebook recording later or listen to the recorded message on the church website. The Facebook and church website links are at the top of the bulletin. Today's message is: "The Calm Before the Storm" from John 11:45-12:1-8 from the Sermon Series: "Jesus: God's Love in Action."

60 Weekdays - Daily Prayer Meeting on Zoom:

Starting at 12 noon - 15 minutes of prayer and fellowship. Please email

Office@hickorychurch.org for Zoom Meeting ID.

Women of Hope Conference - Murfreesboro, TN -

March 12-13, 2021 - Theme: One Hope

<https://www.hhi.org/womenofhope>

The Shepherding Course will tentatively take place in January, depending on the Covid-19 status. Anyone, male or female, who wants to know more about the shepherd's role and is interested in taking the course, please contact Kevin Bibbee for the materials and homework assignment.

Dennis & Gayle Jaschob moved to live with their daughter, Jeannine, at 3913 Camellia Dr., Mobile, AL 36693. We are planning to send 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. Please help us in this effort to encourage these two special people.

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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

Jonah 3:1-5, 10; Psalm 62:5-12

1 Corinthians 7:29-31; Mark 1:14-20

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