

Hickory Church of Christ

Imperfect people learning to love perfectly.

Sunday, January 3, 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

God’s blessings and protection on all holiday travelers.

Casey Allen needs strength for challenges.

Megan Bibbee is improved, after starting new meds. Thank God.

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

Mark Byers, Ashley Lowman's uncle, is on his 2nd round of chemo and dealing with painful lesions. Pray his numbers come down so he can receive a bone marrow transplant.

Mary Ellen Gross, Dora's daughter, will have MRI in Jan., after recent brain radiation.

Jerry Brown, Margaret & Eddie Sigmon's friend, passed from Covid.

Jerry Burton is recovering from major heart surgery.

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

Sally Cannon will have outpatient surgery Thursday, Jan. 7., to adjust arm fistula to help with dialysis treatments

Johnny Catlett, Ray's brother, has cancer.

Randy & Pam Dennie – he had Covid, but it was only a mild case. Pam tested negative for Covid. Thank God.

Eadie Hopkins is recovering from Covid and taking meds to address infections.

Barbara Eddins is home with health issues.

Rachel Haas, Barbara Gnann'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, has cancer that is spreading. Her chemo is being increased. Doctors do not believe there are more options for Betty's treatment, should increasing the chemo treatments be ineffective.

Tina Holler is having more heart issues. Pray for her physical and spiritual needs.

Deidre Keller Messer gave birth to a healthy baby girl, Jamie, 12/18/20, at 6lbs, 4ounces and 19 inches long. Both are doing well. **Congrats to Deidre, Grandmother Lisa Smith and family.**

Robert Link (Jimmie's husband) is recovering from Covid. Pray he overcomes confusion and regains strength.

Ryan Lipford is having frequent seizures. Pray for others in the Lipford family who also have physical challenges.

Sparkle Lipford praises God that Duke doctors found that her internal growth was non-cancerous. Thank God!

Jane Mays is at Elmcroft Assisted Living.

Michelle Patrick, Theresa Watkins' sister-in-law in FL, has liver cancer that spread to several parts of her body.

Marti Shirah is home with health challenges

Simon Smith, Mary Nichols' grandson, has Covid. Her daughter's family has recovered from Covid.

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.

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

Pray for the church; families; students & school/college staff; police & military staff; govt. leaders and for our entire nation.

Announcements & Reminders

Happy and blessed 2021 to everyone!

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

Sunday Worship Together on Facebook - 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 or 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: "I Want to See You" from Ephesians 1:18.

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

We are studying Acts. Workbooks for the study are available in the church library. Please email office@hickorychurch.org for the Zoom Meeting ID or to have the workbooks delivered to you.

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.

CONGRATULATIONS to JohnQuavis Keyes for completing graduation requirements for St. Stephens High School. His graduation ceremony will take place in the spring.

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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.
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Lectionary Readings

Jeremiah 31:7-14 ; Psalm 147:12-20
Ephesians 1:3-14; John 1:(1-9), 10-18

January Hospitality Coordinator - Nancy Belville

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Jan 5 -- Shelly Wharton

Jan 8 -- Barbara Eddin

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Jan 7 -- Gary & Linda Farris