Hickory Church of Christ

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Sunday, February 7, 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 and Pre-K-12 students with school challenges due to Covid and otherwise.

Casey Allen needs strength for challenges.

Dave Bierce has a mild case of dysplasia in his mouth, as detected by biopsy. Praise God, it is not cancer.

Mark Byers, Ashley Lowman's uncle, is taking treatments for Leukemia. Pray he can have bone marrow transplant soon.

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

Eloise Burton is recovering from surgery to eliminate back pain that resulted from a recent fall. She and Jerry are thankful for all prayers, calls, and meals shared on their behalf recently.

Shirley Burton, Jerry's sister in KY, has stage 4 lung cancer and is having a difficult time.

Johnny Catlett, Ray's brother, has cancer.

Larry Conger, Mary Nichols' nephew, passed Thurs. from Covid complications and MRSA. Pray Mary; his wife and all his family and loved ones will be comforted. He was head of maintenance at Hickory High School.

Steve & Katie Cloninger have Covid. She's hospitalized with pneumonia. They are friends of Watkins' family.

Barbara Eckard was injured when hit by a truck. Her car was totaled and she has pain in her wrists.

Barbara Eddins is home with health issues.

Rachel Haas, Barbara Gnann's co-worker, had surgery and is taking chemo treatments for uterine cancer. She faces three more chemo treatments but is doing well and is thankful for all the prayers.

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

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

Eadie Hopkins is coping with health issues.

Abigale Hughes & Spencer Hughes, Retta and Chuck Hughes granddaughters; their mother, Tracy Linton; and their Dad, David Hughes, are all better after having Covid. Thank God.

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 and Lowery Lanier, from Northview Church of Christ - Statesville, all had/have Covid.

Cynthia Lipford is getting better control of her blood sugar and other health challenges.

Ryan Lipford is having frequent seizures and other difficulties.

Sparkle Lipford thanks God that her abdominal growth is due to inflammation and is not cancerous. She is grateful for everyone's prayers for her. Pray that doctors will discover the cause of and treatment for the inflammation.

LRU Outreach - Several LRU basketball players are quarantined for the coronavirus and are now available to resume discussions about the Gospel of Christ. Pray their hearts will be receptive to God's plan for their lives.

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.

Cameron Phillips, Theresa Watkins' nephew, now has diabetes, but is home from the Ga hospital and doing better. Pray for his ongoing physical challenges and spiritual wellbeing. The family appreciates all prayers.

Norman Powell, Scott (Kelsie) Powell's Dad passed Jan. 25th. Pray for Scott's mom, Aileen; sisters, Angela and Teresa; Paxton and Kayla (Jesse), and all the family. www.iredellfreenews.com/obits/2021/norman-shackleford-powell/

Marti Shirah breast cancer has resulted in cancer in some of her bones. She's getting chemo/radiation for this.

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; govt. leaders & our nation.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Feb 9 Janet Keever; Feb 10 Debbie Killinger; Feb 10 Georgiana Allen

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 for several weeks. Watch David Shuping'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 from John 13 of 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.

Youth Studies on "A Content Heart." are starting this week, for any children ages 4-12, local or elsewhere, who would like to be part of our Wednesday 6:15pm (ages 4-7) and 7:15pm (ages 8-12) Bible studies on Zoom. Volunteers are needed to help with teaching/coteaching these Zoom sessions. Please contact Theresa Watkins, twatkins@hickorychurch.org, or Janet Keever, jkeever@hickorychurch.org, to volunteer or to have children participate.

Wed night, 7pm, Young Adult Facebook Messenger Bible study - Please contact Seth Powell, seth@hickorychurch.org, if you or someone you know would like to participate in these studies or any activities with our Young Adult Group.

Teen-Early 20's Zoom Bible Study - Teens, college students, and those in the early 20's should contact Bryan McDermott, bmcdermott@hickorychurch.org, for details for participating in the Saturday 7pm Zoom Connection with this age group.

Women of Hope Conference - Murfreesboro, TN - March 12-13, 2021 - Theme: One Hope https://www.hhi.org/womenofhope
Early Registration Deadline: Feb. 3rd.

Our Shepherding Course is on-hold, given the Covid-19 pandemic. 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 kbibbee@hickorychurch.org 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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Lectionary Readings

Isaiah 40:21-31; Psalm 147:1-11, 20c 1 Corinthians 9:16-23; Mark 1:29-39

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