Hickory Church of Christ

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Sunday, April 4, 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.

Casey Allen needs strength for challenges.

Mark Byers, Ashley Lowman's uncle in FL, had a brain bleed during a trial treatment for Leukemia. The family is praying for a miracle for Mark, even though it seems God is calling Mark home.

Mary Ellen Bross, Dora's daughter, is doing well, after radiation. Johnny Catlett, Ray's brother, has cancer.

Katie Cloninger got a trach, after having Covid. She is recovering nicely in CVMC rehab. Praise God.

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

Megan Rae Hollar is recovering from back surgery.

Tim Johnson, Pam Dennie's brother, is recovering from stroke and has brain cancer.

Regina Lecaros, Rossana's sister, is being evaluated for Leukemia. **Ryan Lipford** is having significantly fewer seizures. Praise God. Thanks to all who prayed and fasted about this.

Guy Martin has lung cancer. He is the Burkhalter's son-in-law. Mauritius Island is on lockdown, at least until April 30, due to an expanding Covid outbreak and rising death toll. Emily & Aaron Holmes (Barbara Gnann's family) are missionaries there.

Jimmie Link is recovering from 3/17 surgery. Janetta McClure, Marlene Matney's sister in WV, has internal bleeding.

Monica Fuller is looking for housing. Praise God for her transportation needs having been met.

Randy Pannell has prostate cancer.

Shannon Pannell, Randy's nephew, has cancer.

Michelle Patrick, Theresa Watkins' sister-in-law, has cancer that has shrunk and a blood clot near stomach. Praise God.

Tracie Perkins' nephew, Trevor & wife (Jinna), and nephew, Sammy & fiancé (Catelynn), have covid. Travis and Sammy are receiving antibodies from a TN hospital. Trevor & Jinna have young children and Sammy and Catelynn are expecting a child.

Marti Shirah had a pulmonary bronchoscopy and several biopsies. No cancer was found. Final biopsy results will come in May, to confirm fibrosis diagnosis.

Rodney and Donna Smith, Lisa Smith's aunt and uncle in Florida, have been hospitalized due to Covid-19.

Edith Steelman, Bryan's Mom, has worsening memory issues. Maxine Wharton, 96, is Andy's mother. She has signs of memory or cognitive issues.

Shut-Ins: Barbara Eddins and Eadie Hopkins are at home; Jane Mays is at Elmcroft Assisted Living

Coronavirus cases are fewer than they have been in months. 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!

April 4 Dick Covalinski April 4 Mike Wilfong April 7 Angela Arnett April 10 Billie Dennie

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

April 6 Dick & Mary Nell Covalinski April 8 Steve & Debbie Killian

Announcements & Reminders

Happy and blessed 2021 to everyone! 2021 Appeal to God: "Open the Eyes to My Heart,

Sunday at 9:20am - Adult Bible Class on Zoom. We are studying Acts. Email office@hickorychurch.orgfor the Zoom Meeting ID.

Sunday Worship Together at 10:30am - Kevin Bibbee will give the message. Those not attending may view the Facebook Livestream 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, "God's Power for You," is from John 20:1-18 and is part of the Sermon Series: "Jesus: God's Love in Action."

Our 60 Weekdays of Daily Prayer on Zoom ended April 2nd. Thanks to everyone who participated. But let's all continue praying fervently for God's will to be done in us all.

Youth Studies on "A Content Heart," take place Thursdays on Zoom at 6:15pm (ages 4-7) and Wednesdays at 7:15pm (ages 8-12). Please email office@hickorychurch.org to have children participate.

Wed night, 6pm, Young Bible study - under the picnic shelter behind the church building.

Teen-Early 20's Zoom Bible Study - contact Bryan McDermott, bmcdermott@hickorychurch.org, to participate in the Saturday 7pm Zoom Connection

Ladies Discovery Bible Study Discussions, Mondays at 7pm on Facebook Messenger. Contact Theresa Watkins - <u>twatkins@hickorychurch.org</u>, to participate.

Our Shepherding Course will meet Sun. April 11 at 2pm in the church Fellowship Hall. Anyone, male or female, who wants to know more about God's role for men who serve as shepherds is encouraged to take the course. Please contact Kevin Bibbee kbibbee@hickorychurch.org for the materials and homework assignment.

New Day Online Workshop sponsored by Lubbock Christian University and North Boulevard Church of Christ, Murfreesboro, TN -: Wed., April 21, 8-9pm EST -Youth Event and Thurs., April 22, 2-5pm EST Church Leaders Workshop. Register Online: www.newdayresources.org or Call 615.893.1520

Tony and Cynthia Lipford and Family are grateful for prayers and support offered them as a number of them struggled with Covid. They are also thankful for the saints who prayed and/or fasted for God to reduce or eliminate Ryan's seizures. Ryan's seizures have decreased significantly. Please continue praying for the Lipford family.

Queen Bed Frame and Mattresses are needed. If you have used items available, please email office@hickorychurch.org.

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Lectionary Readings

Job 14:1-14; Psalm 31:1-4, 15-16 1 Peter 4:1-8; Matthew 27:57-66

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