

# Welcome to Hickory Church of Christ!

**“I Surrender Myself”**

Sunday, August 13, 2023



**VISIT OUR INFO. TABLE AFTER THE WORSHIP AND PICK UP A GUEST PACKET**

If you are new to HCOC, please share your contact info with us.

If you would like to commit your life to Christ, receive prayer or learn more about our church family, please let us know.

**– TODAY –**

**Today's Theme**

**“A Jesus-filled School Year” Text: Luke 18:16**

**BAPTISMS may be scheduled at any time. See Kevin Bibbee or an elder to set a time to be clothed with Christ.**

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**When giving to HCOC:**

1. Drop Offering in Box on Back Wall of Auditorium. Envelopes are available on the Foyer Credenza.
2. Mail check to church address listed below
3. Use on-line banking to set-up the church as a payee
4. Donate on Church Website: <http://hickorychurch.org/donate/>

**– THIS WEEK –**

**A New Teen Bible Class Meets Sunday at 9:30am** – Open to any teen (rising 6th - 12th grade). Class is taught by our college students.

**Ladies' Discovery Bible Study - Mon. at 7pm on Messenger** – Study of the book of Acts. See Theresa Watkins or Ann Stasny to join.

**Small Group – Wed. at 6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall.** Bring dinner. Bible Talk and Prayer. Kids' Bible classes are at 7pm.

**HCOC Millennials (mid 20's to late 30's)** – Next Meeting is Wednesdays at 6:30pm in the Hut to watch “The Chosen”.

**Place Plastic Grocery Bags** in the basket in the church foyer for making sleeping mats for the homeless.

**HCOC Millennials will continue to make care packages** - Updated list for the summer is in the foyer and on the bulletin board.

**Today 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Back to School Prayer, Worship and Cookout Sun., Aug. 13<sup>th</sup> - 11:45** Invite School & College Students, Staff & Families.

**DuPont State Forest Hike - Sat. 08/19 at 9:00am in Cedar Mountain.** Please read through the trail hike prior to attending. RSVP on Facebook or w/ Ali Franks.

**Praise God for His great blessings on our Vacation Bible School (VBS). VBS was extended through Wednesday, after we canceled it Monday due to the storm. Thanks to all who helped in any way. Pray the lessons shared will bless kids and adults for eternity**

**– COMING UP –**

**Dragonslayers Men's Fellowship - Sat. Sept. 8 at 8:30am** in the Fellowship Hall. Come for a great time in the word and of fellowship.

**LIFT - Ladies in Fellowship Together - Sun. Sept. 9 at 6pm** in the Fellowship Hall - Bible Study and Fellowship. Bring your supper and dessert will be provided.

**Join our Team** for the Eastern Catawba County Hunger Walk, Sat. Oct. 15. Sign-up w/ Kevin Boggs 828-381-9105. Informational free lunch, Wed. Aug. 16th, in Newton. Contact Kevin to attend the lunch.

## **Church Information**

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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 God to be honored and souls drawn to Christ, by and with those listed below:**

**Pray daily for our shepherds:** Scott Fitch, Tom Keever, Steve Killian and Percil Watkins.

**The Ukrainian War.** Pray for all in Ukraine and Russia. Donate to relief for Ukraine: <https://www.hhi.org/ukraine>

**Arlissa Florida**, Linda Knowlton's niece in Ct., died in her sleep from a seizure. Linda's brother, Anthony, and family are feeling devastated.

**Christine Adkins** seeks prayers for her back.

**Casey Allen** needs fervent prayers to overcome his challenges.

**Tisa Blocker** will have procedures on her neck Aug. 17<sup>th</sup> and on her back Aug. 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**Hester Burkhalter** and family are coping with Art's recent passing. They shared their great appreciation for everyone's prayers, visits, calls, meals, etc.

**Randal Burton of Carolina Bible Camp** started immunotherapy for an aggressive prostate cancer.

**Brittany Caulder**, Georgiana Allen's neighbor, has marital problems.

**Ruth Cloninger**, Anita Wilfong's mother, has eye trouble resulting from Bell's Palsy.

**Barbara Gnann** arrived safely in Mauritius to visit her daughter and family. Pray God's blessings on her time there and safe return.

**Janet Hawn**, Debbie Killian's sister, has recurring pain after her hip replacement.

**Lewis Hollar**, Megan Rae's grandfather, is in remission for Leukemia.

**Jesus Lecaros**, Rossana's brother, had prostate surgery Friday. It went well. Please pray for his recovery.

**Ryan Lipford** had his seizure controlling device upgraded.

**John Massicott**, from the St. Martin Mission Team, is having vision and respiratory problems. He preaches for churches in the Bronx and Brooklyn.

**Dot Mayo**, Jean Brown's mom, is undergoing chemo for ovarian cancer.

**Johnella Morris (90) and daughter, Henrietta**- Theresa's friends. Johnella was in hospital for several weeks again.

**Thomas Pope**, 1 year old, may have no vision or need special glasses. The family prays to trust God during this.

**Leon Rousseau and Sally Cannon** were married Sunday afternoon. Pray for God's blessings on their union.

**Ann Stasny** has degenerative disc disease with a pinched nerve. Thankfully, no surgery is needed at this point.

**Anna Tharp**, Alisha Lipford's friend was baptized at Carolina Bible Camp 7/21

**Ronda Thorne**, Mary Nichols' daughter, has a stomach infection. Pray her condition improves soon.

**Sam Watkins**, Percil's brother, is not having colon surgery and is resuming taking food by mouth.

**Pray for students and school/college staff to have a safe, productive new school year and for protection for those traveling to school/college.**

**Shut-Ins:** Barbara Eddins and Mary Nichols. Ella Jane Mays at Terra Bella Sr. Living – Memory Care.

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

### **Happy Birthday**

**8/13 Donna Davis, 8/13 Braden Wharton 8/18 Rhonda Dautrich**

### **Happy Anniversary**

**8/16 Billy & Christy Davis**

**August Hospitality Coordinator – Debbie Killian/Janet Keever**