

# Welcome to Hickory Church of Christ!

**“I Surrender Myself”**

Sunday, August 20, 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 -**

**Kevin Bibbee's Message**

**“On Second Thought” Text Matthew 21:28-32**

**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”.

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

**Sleeping Mats Project** – We are no longer collecting store bags. Penny Lopez, Pam Dennie's mom, has plenty to last her for a while.

**A Family needs a sofa.** See Kevin Bibbee or Theresa Watkins if you are parting with a good used one.

**LRU Student Involvement Fair, Aug. 23, 10:30-12:30pm-** Cromer Center. See Percil or Theresa Watkins, to help invite students to our weekly LRU Bible Study.

**- COMING UP -**

**LRU Bears in Scripture** – Campus Bible Study- Thurs. Aug. 31, 7pm Hickory Room - Upstairs in LRU Cromer Center.

**Dragonslayers Men's Fellowship** - Sat. Sept. 9 at 8:30am in the Fellowship Hall. Come for a great time in the word and of fellowship.

**Area-Wide Congregational Singing** - Fri. Sept. 8 at 7pm, Corinth Church of Christ, 3570 Needmore Rd., Woodleaf, NC.

**LIFT - Ladies in Fellowship Together** - Sun. Sept. 10 at 6pm in the Fellowship Hall - Bible Study and Fellowship. Bring your supper and dessert will be provided.

**Upstate Renaissance Faire in Greer, SC** - HCOC Millennials outing. Sat. Sept. 9 at 9am. Contact Ali Franks, 828-855-5712, to RSVP. Non-millennials may also attend.

**Join our Team** for the Eastern Catawba County Hunger Walk, Sat. Oct. 15. Sign-up w/ Kevin Boggs 828-381-9105

## 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>

**Amanda, Christine Adkins Daughter,** has MS and had a stroke resulting in numbness in her head and face. Her legs are swollen, and she recently lost her sight in one eye. Pray for Amanda's physical and spiritual needs.

**Anna, Alisha Lipford's friend,** who was baptized at Carolina Bible Camp recently, needs prayers to grow in Christ and help with family challenges.

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

**Tisa Blocker** didn't have the procedure on her neck, due to challenges with her doctor's office. She hopes to have this Aug. 31<sup>st</sup>. Her last uncle on her mother's side of the family passed Sat. Aug. 19<sup>th</sup>.

**Hester Burkhalter and family** are coping with Art's passing. They are greatly encouraged and comforted by our prayers. Please keep praying for them.

**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** is Mauritius visiting 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, is recovering steadily after prostate surgery.

**John Massicott,** from the St. Martin Mission Team, is having vision problems. He preaches for churches in the Bronx and Brooklyn. He will learn on Aug. 22<sup>nd</sup> when he will have cataract surgery.

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

**Johnella Morris (90) and daughter, Henrietta-** Theresa's friends. Johnella is home from hospital, praise God.

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

**RayLynn Reid** has small spots on her brain but has no definite diagnosis. She will see doctors Sept. 1. Patsy Yoder seeks prayers for young RayLynn.

**Leon Rousseau and Sally Cannon** were married recently. 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.

**Rancho Quemado Church of Christ of Trinidad** is grateful for our last year's VBS materials. They used these in their incredible VBS last week.

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

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

**St. Maarten Minister Support Fundraising** - Pray that God provides what is needed to support a full-time minister beginning to serve the church in December 2023.

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

## **Happy Birthday**

8/23 Anna Setzer, 8/24 Georgia Killian 8/25 Randy Dennie,

## **Happy Anniversary**

8/21 Larry & Sharon Duncan, 8/24 Caleb Creson & Jessica Rivera  
August Hospitality Coordinator – Debbie Killian/Janet Keever