# Welcome to Hickory Church of Christ!

## "I Surrender Myself"

Sunday, November 19, 2023



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 -

### Joe Hall Message

"Good Samaritan and Foster Care"

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

#### When giving to HCOC:

Drop Offering in Box on Back Wall of Auditorium. Envelopes are available on the Foyer Credenza.
 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: <a href="http://hickorychurch.org/donate/">http://hickorychurch.org/donate/</a>

#### - THIS WEEK -

Ladies' Discovery Bible Study - Mon. at 7pm on Messenger, Study of Proverbs. See Theresa Watkins or Ann Stasny Small Group - No Small Group this Wednesday, due to the Thanksgiving holiday. Enjoy time with other loved ones. HCOC Millennials (mid 20's to late 30's) – Wed. at 7pm in the hut. See Ali Franks for details.

**HCOC Millennials are making care packages** – The list of items needed is in the foyer and on the bulletin board. **Encouraging Our College Students:** Please bring cards/notes of encouragement, gift cards, etc thru TODAY, Sun. Nov. 19. There is a box marked "Cards for college kids in the foyer". Cash donations to help with gifts and postage may also be given to Kamy Bibbee.

**Teachers are needed to help with Kingdom Kids,** as we are starting a second group today for Infants thru 3 years old. See Janet Keever or Patsy Yoder to help.

Church Hike, Flat Top Mountain Trail - Moses H. Cone Memorial Park, Blowing Rock. TODAY at 1:30pm. RSVP on Facebook or with Ali Franks, 828-855-5712.

#### - COMING UP -

**Kingdom Cafe**, Sun., Dec. 3, 8:45-9:15am in the Fellowship Hall. Free sweets and coffee. **Pray for Lost Loved Ones** - Sun. Dec. 3, 9:15am - 9:30am in the Fellowship Hall. Come meet with David Shuping.

LIFT - Ladies' Bible Study & Fellowship. Sun., Dec. 3 – 6pm in Fellowship Hall. Bring dinner. Desserts provided Bridal Shower for Bryce Jefferson & Hunter Carson, Sun., Dec. 3rd in the Fellowship Hall, right after the worship. Bring food and drink to share. <a href="https://www.myregistry.com/wedding-registry/hunter-c-and-bryce-j-fishers-in/3919284">https://www.myregistry.com/wedding-registry/hunter-c-and-bryce-j-fishers-in/3919284</a>

**Area-Wide Congregational Singing,** Fri. Dec. 8 at 7pm at West Innes Street Church of Christ, 2925 West Innes St, Salisbury **Dragonslayers' Men's Fellowship** - Sat. Dec. 9, 8am-9:30am in the Fellowship Hall. Study of "Kingdom Men Rising" book. **Children and Parents' Christmas Pancake Breakfast** - Sat. Dec. 9, 10am in the Fellowship Hall. Bring Fruit, candy or nuts to go in our fruit bags for our Seniors. Registration opens this week for the breakfast.

### **Church Information**

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Email Prayer Requests & Announcements to: bulletin@hickorychurch.org

#### 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

Pray for the weekly Bible study at Lenoir-Rhyne University to be effective in helping students follow and imitate Jesus.

**Pray regularly for our unsaved loved ones** that they would believe in and follow Christ.

Anna, Alisha Lipford's friend, was baptized at Carolina Bible Camp. Pray for her spiritual growth.

Casey Allen needs fervent prayers to overcome his challenges.

**Sherry,** the daughter-in-law of Jerry and Eloise Burton, had a kidney removed and is working part-time now.

**Randal Burton,** Carolina Bible Camp Executive Director, is doing well with infusion treatments for prostate cancer.

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

Christy Davis had outpatient surgery for a bulging disc. She is home with some soreness.

Carlton Dean, friend of Jillian Williams in St. Martin, is in rehab now after having a stroke.

Scott Fitch is taking medication that is reducing his ongoing back pain. He is thankful to God for this.

Janet Hawn, Jimmie Link and Debbie Killian's sister, is having ongoing back pain.

Myra Hill has leg issues that make it hard for her to get up.

Glenn Jefferson, the dad of Bryce and Blake, is recovering from surgery on both feet.

Kenny, Wharton's friend, has multiple facial, head, arm, leg injuries, internal bleeding and kidney issues after a fall.

**LRU Football players** are dealing with injuries, as they begin post season playoffs.

**Mr. Lawrence**, the Watkins' neighbor, has lung cancer that's returned.

**Andrew Layton** rejoices over a new job that he started this past week.

Mary Manning, Ron Gemperline's sister, is experiencing some illness.

**Dot Mayo,** Jean Brown's mom, finished chemo for ovarian cancer and is taking an alternative treatment.

**Meloney Moody**, Mandy Barrow's mother, had a quadruple bypass. She has problems with her leg that inhibit her walking. Prayers for her recovery are greatly needed and appreciated.

RayLynn Reid has brain spots that are believed to not be cancerous. She will have a precautionary MRI on Jan. 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Leon and Sally Rousseau** seek prayers for his Dec. 5th back procedure.

John Stasny is home after having carotid artery unblocked. Pray for his continued healing.

**David Watkins** seeks God's guidance and favor in his job search.

**Stacey Whitmire** has excessive back pain and may need surgery.

**St. Maarten New Minister Support** - Pray that God provides funds for a full-time minister to begin serving the church in December. To help, for one to five years, submit a check with "St. Maarten Minister" on the memo line. **Israel** - Hamas War – Pray for God's peace to prevail.

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

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

### **Happy Birthday**

11/20 Randy Adcox, 11/21 Randy Pannell, 11/22 Lucas Arnett, 11/24 Marissa Baker

**Happy Anniversary** 

11/25 Kenneth & Alice Lail