Welcome to Hickory Church of Christ!

"Following Jesus Together"

Sunday, May 5, 2024



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 -

Darrell Clark's Message

Message: "Baptism & the Mystery of Christ" - Text: Galatians 3:27
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
 Use on-line banking to set-up the church as a payee
 Donate on Church Website: http://hickorychurch.org/donate/

- THIS WEEK -

** Sign-up today, to help with our Sat., June 8th VBS **

Kingdom Café - Sun., May 5, and each 1st Sunday, 8:45-9:15am in the Fellowship Hall. Come for free sweets and coffee. Pray for Lost Loved Ones – Sun., May 5, 9:15am in the Fellowship Hall to meet with David Shuping to pray for lost loved ones. Ladies' Discovery Bible Study - Mon. at 6:45pm on Messenger, study of Isaiah. See Theresa Watkins or Ann Stasny Covered Dish Meal, Wed., May 8 at 6pm, in the Fellowship Hall. Bring food and drink to share. The adult prayer time and study of Romans and kids' Bible class all start at 7pm.

HCOC Millennials (mid 20's to late 30's) – Wed. at 7pm in the hut, watching "The Chosen." See Ali Franks for details. **Bring wedding gifts of cash or Visa/Mastercard gift cards to Percil or Theresa through TODAY, for Sydney & Kimberly Jones. Seniors' Lunch** – Thurs., May 9 at 12 noon at Chili's in Hickory. RSVP with Ann Stasny – 828-310-6404.

Dragonslayers Men's Fellowship - Sat., May 11 at 8am in the Fellowship Hall. Come for a Study of "Kingdom Men Rising." **Family Game Night:** Sat., May 11, 5:00pm-8:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. Bring a dish/drink to share, and your favorite games! RSVP on Facebook or with Megan Rae & Ali.

- COMING UP-

Carolina Style Chorus, Women's Chorus singing acapella barbershop style music. Sat. May 18 at 6pm at Neighbors Network Wade Center, 502 Thornburg Dr. NE, Conover. Purchase \$20 tickets at Neighbors Network or at www.neighborsnetwork.org.

Millennial's NC Zoo Trip - Sat., May 18 at 10am in Asheboro. Bring a packed lunch. Cost: \$11-\$15. RSVP with Dustin and Harley. Non-millennials are invited to attend!

LIFT - Ladies' Bible Study and Fellowship. Sun., May 19 at 6pm in the Fellowship Hall. Bring your dinner. Dessert will be provided. **"Running for the Prize Olympics" VBS** - Sat., June 8, 10am - 4pm, ages 4-16 years old. Register at <u>tinyurl.com/HCOCVBS24</u>. Please volunteer to help with VBS and sign-up and bring one or more children.

Graduation Sunday, June 9. Join us for 9:30am Bible classes, worship, and recognition of graduates. Please bring covered dish and drinks, to share in a meal after worship. Cake and ice cream will be provided.

Carolina Bible Camp - Seven wonderful weeks (Jun. 16 - Jul. 20) for ages 9-19 years. Register: <u>carolinabiblecamp.org</u>. <u>Several scholarships are available, see Larry Duncan.</u>

Church Information

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The Hickory Church of Christ is Praying

HCOC Daily Prayer: May God's Kingdom Grow Here...

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

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

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

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

Casey Allen needs fervent prayers to overcome his challenges.

Georgiana Allen still has a lot of pain in her legs. She appreciates our prayers for her.

Tanner and Tara Anthony have been trying to conceive. Pray for God to help them have the children they desire for His glory. **David Bierce** is in recovery after hip replacement at Valley Nursing & Rehab, Rm 607, in Taylorsville, NC.

Curt, the Watkins' neighbor, is at Baptist Hospital. He had valves installed to help a collapsed lung and subsequent challenges.

Eloise & Jerry Burton - She was taken back to Baptist Hospital for more treatment for brain bleeding but is improving. Jerry needs our prayers of support.

Shelly Cain's former student, whom she taught in elementary and high school, was hit and killed by a drunk driver. He was 19. Please pray for his family and their school community as they grieve this young man.

Muggy Davenport, Tony and Cynthia Lipford's brother-in-law, has been in Caldwell Hospital eight weeks. Doctors are attempting to treat him for Sickle Cell Anemia.

Billy Davis' sister is in the midst of a cancer battle. His brother-in-law has a hole in his heart and will have tests this week.

Alicia and Megan Rae Hollar are still grieving Bob Foringer's recent passing.

Aaron and Eden Holmes (Barbara Gnann's son-in-law and granddaughter) contracted dengue fever from mosquitos. After being tested Friday, they both had lower platelets than before, but Eden's had dropped more than Aaron's. There is still nothing to do at this point but wait for their bodies to heal themselves. Pray for their healing.

Myra Hill is in a lot of pain in both legs and can barely walk. Pray for pain relief.

Nicole Hyatt has physical and financial struggles.

Harley Mayfield wants to have a tenderized heart to love as God wants her to.

Tommy Mayfield, Dustin's brother, is still incarcerated. His birthday was Sunday.

Zahn McCaslin, Patsy Yoder's brother, was diagnosed with lung cancer. He will have more tests to help determine the best plan of treatment. Thanks for all prayers.

Mary Nichols has health challenges.

Sally Rousseau was moved from ICU to Rm 151 at CVMC, after her blood pressure came up and stabilized. Please keep Sally and her husband, Leon, in your prayers.

Annie Salter, Theresa Watkins' aunt, had squamous cell removed. Pray for her healing and help with daily struggles.

David Shuping, our Family Life Minister, seeks prayers for his ongoing service as our Christian Counselor. He has held 46 counseling sessions since Nov. 1.

Teresa Shuping is under care for polymyalgia rheumatica and has returned to work.

June and Yolanda, Theresa Watkins's sister/friends have ongoing legal cases. Pray for them to honor God, in dealing with the challenges, and that the best resolutions will be granted them.

Pray for all of our college students – for those who are away and for our CVCC and LRU students. Pray for all to walk closely with Christ, while pursuing and excelling in their studies.

Pray for the unsaved individuals around us and for efforts to unleash the Gospel to them.

Please pray for all affected by the collapse of the Francis Scott Key Bridge in Baltimore, MD.

Shut-Ins: Barbara Eddins, Mary Nichols, and Margaret Burns. Ella Jane Mays is at Terra Bella Sr. Living – Memory Care., Alden Dixon (Home)

Send letters of encouragement to Bro. Camacho, the Minister of the Ilo church that we help support:

IGLESIA de CRISTO; c/o ARNOLD CAMACHO; Urb. Luis E. Valcarcel; Mz.#57 Lt.16; Pampa Inalámbrica; Puerto de ILO; Código postal 18601; PERU

Happy Birthday
5/7 Koen Killian, 5/7 Annie Stasny, 5/10 Pam Roberts, 5/11 Bryan Steelman,
5/13 Ashley Lowman 5/16 Shelby Abercrombie

Happy Anniversary
5/8 Tanner & Tara Anthony

May Hospitality Coordinator – Patsy Yoder