

# Welcome to Hickory Church of Christ!

**“Following Jesus Together”**

Sunday, August 4, 2024



**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.

## **Percil Watkins & Tom Keever Message:**

**“How handling money affects your relationship with God” Matt. 6:21 for where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.  
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 -**

**Alicia Hollar and Megan Rae Hollar were baptized into Christ this past week. Praise God.**

**Canned Food Drive to Benefit The Corner Table** - Please keep bringing (small – 100+ ounce) canned goods each Sunday. Items and donations will be collected through the end of August. Contact Kevin Boggs (828-381-9105) with questions.

**Pray for Lost Loved Ones** - Sun., Aug. 4, 9:15am in the Fellowship Hall. **Kingdom Café** with coffee and donuts is also at 9:15am.

**Sliding Rock (Natural Waterslide): Cost:** \$5 per person. Sun., Aug. 4, at 3:30pm in Brevard. Read event info on Facebook.

**Darrell Clark’s Bible Study on Facebook**, "Search for the Truth in Isaiah" Tues. & Thurs. at 7pm. See Darrell to join the group.

**Small Group Prayer and Fellowship** - Wed. at 6:30pm - Fellowship Hall. Bring your dinner. At 7pm, we will have our Kids' Bible Class and the Adults are discussing how to build relationships and initiate and study the Bible with others. Please come out.

**HCOC Millennials (mid 20's to late 30's)** – Wed. at 7pm in the hut, watching “The Storm.” The Millennials will alternate weeks between watching “The Storm” series and doing other activities. See Ali Franks for details.

**Area-Wide Congregational Singing**, Fri. Aug. 9th at 7pm. Broad Street Church of Christ, 433 E. Broad St., Statesville, NC.

**Virginia Creeper Trail Bike Ride (17 miles, downhill):** Sat., Aug. 10, at 9:45am in Damascus, VA. Attendees are to RSVP in advance. Please contact Ali Franks for reservation details. **Cost Per Ticket:** \$40 + tax, paid in person.

## **- COMING UP -**

**Seniors’ Lunch** – Thurs. Aug. 15<sup>th</sup>, 12 noon at Sunny side Restaurant, 2950 NC-127, Hickory-Mt. View. RSVP Ann, 828-310-6404

**Parents’ Night Out**, Sat. Aug. 17, 5pm – 9pm in the Fellowship Hall, for kids 0-16 Years old. Register at: [tinyurl.com/HCOCPNO24](https://tinyurl.com/HCOCPNO24)

**Piedmont Youth Day (For 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade)**, Sat. Aug. 24, 9:30am-6pm. Abilene Church of Christ, 120 Bell Farm Rd., Statesville. Register: [piedmontyouthday.rsvpify.com](https://piedmontyouthday.rsvpify.com) or call Joshua at 704-881-3083.

**Annual Back to School Prayer, Worship and Cookout** - Sun., Aug. 25th. Bible Classes, Prayer, and Worship. We will have a Hot Dog Cookout at ~11:45am. Invite School/College Students, Staff and families. Bring Salads, Side Dishes, Drinks, and Desserts.

**CarePortal Training** – Sun., Aug. 25<sup>th</sup> at 6pm in the Fellowship Hall. Let Joe Hall (828-228-2905) know if you would like to be part of an amazing team to help children in crisis.

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**Hickory River Walk & Picnic:** Sun. Sept. 15 at 3:30pm in the Rotary-Geitner Park. The Riverwalk is 2.3 miles. Please bring plenty of water. Bring a packed meal, a treat to share, & lawn chairs for the picnic. RSVP with Ali Franks.

**Catawba County Hunger Walk**, Sun., Oct. 13, downtown Newton. Contact Kevin Boggs (828-381-9105), to participate in the Walk

## **Church Information**

**Preaching Minister:** Kevin Bibbee **Church office:** 828.464.4983

**Family Life Minister - Christian Counselor:** David Shuping – 980.525.7384

**Address:** 1218 Fairgrove Church Road, Hickory NC 28602

**Website:** [www.hickorychurch.org](http://www.hickorychurch.org) | **Sun. Worship Live:** [www.facebook.com/HCO111/live/](https://www.facebook.com/HCO111/live/)

**Email Prayer Requests & Announcements to:** [bulletin@hickorychurch.org](mailto:bulletin@hickorychurch.org) | **Wi-Fi:** Hickory Church of Christ WiFi: gentlesquash101

**The Hickory Church of Christ is Praying**

**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:**

**Foreign Wars.** Pray for all in the **Ukraine - Russia War.** And for those involved with the **Israel-Hamas War.**

**Pray for all summer travelers to be safe.**

**Casey Allen** needs strength to overcome his challenges. God is working to restore Casey.

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

**Angela Arnett's** sister-in-law, Jean Hicks, is recovering from a stroke and surgery due to a brain bleed. She has a condition that doctors do not feel can be treated. Andy Stephens had a lymph node removed due to jaw cancer.

**Kevin Bibbee** will see doctors Aug. 21, to determine if he can get a cochlear implant to address his hearing problems.

**Margaret Burns** has immense back and leg pain.

**Curt**, the Watkins' neighbor, will have tests, to see if his cancer has returned.

**Darrell Clark** is rejoicing and praising God, after getting a clean bill of health from his oncologist.

**Muggy Davenport**, Tony and Cynthia Lipford's brother-in-law, is back home, struggling with sickle cell anemia.

**Billy Davis** saw doctors. He hopes medication changes will be made to help him feel better.

**Billy Davis's** sister is in a cancer battle. She had surgery recently and is doing well.

**Randy Dennie**, Praise God, got an encouraging report, when he saw specialists. He will have another test in a month.

**Barbara Eckard** seeks prayers for their daughter, Abigail, who had a health procedure completed recently.

**Blake & Barbara Eckard** were home Sun., after overdoing it. Blake's recent chest pains were not from heart damage. TYL!

**Scott Fitch** was at home Sunday, due to pain in his knee.

**Roy Henson** will have blood work done in August, to help with treating MS.

**Sydney and Kim Jones** are in Trinidad, because Sydney's maternal grandfather passed. They will attempt to get additional documents while there, if need be, to help with getting cleared by the St. Martin Immigration officials.

**Andrea Keast**, an LRU student, is at a facility now for intensive therapy for brain and spine injuries sustained from an accident. Write: Shepherd Center; ATTN: Andrea Arteaga; Room #240; 2020 Peachtree Rd. NW; Atlanta, GA 30309.

**Sparkle Lipford** had abdominal surgery July 30<sup>th</sup> at Duke to remove abdominal mass.

**Dustin Mayfield** had pain after several teeth were pulled, but was in the assembly Sun. He also had a bad reaction to meds.

**Zahn McCaslin**, Patsy Yoder's brother, had five non-invasive treatments for lung cancer and is doing well. He will have a scan soon, to assess his body's response to the treatments.

**Bryan McDermott** was home Sunday, after throwing out his back that morning.

**Isaac N.** is now clear of infection. Praise God. He will start Physical Therapy soon and have a re-check in a month.

**Timmy Rainwater** is having a very difficult time with grief, following the passing of his sister, Sally Rousseau.

**Pam Roberts** was in a car accident that caused neck issues and fractured vertebrae.

**David Watkins** is seeking a permanent job in computer programming.

**Theresa Watkins** joins others in seeking prayers to move on from past failures and to follow God closely each day.

**Patsy Yoder** had a reoccurrence of vertigo Sunday and was home as a result.

**St Martin:** Praise God that Sydney and Kim Jones are now in St. Martin. Pray for funds to be raised to help with purchasing a needed vehicle for them. To help with this effort, include a donation with your offerings with "St Martin" in the memo.

**Shut-Ins:** Margaret Burns, Barbara Eddins, Mary Nichols, and Kay Smith. Ella Jane Mays is at Terra Bella Sr. Living – Memory Care. Ruth Cloninger is at The Greens at Lincolnton.

**Happy Anniversay**

**8/5 Dave & Shelly Cain, 8/9 Randy & Barbara Pannell**

**Happy Birthday**

**8/4 Teresa Shuping, 8/5 Cenyah Crawford, 8/6 Tara Anthony, Harley Mayfield, Dee Dee Miles, 8/9 Ella Jane Mays  
August Hospitality Coordinator – Elsa Barnes**