# Welcome to Hickory Church of Christ!

# "Following Jesus Together"

Sunday, September 8, 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.

## Kevin Bibbee's Message:

Series: 40 Days of Prayer Message: "Discern God's Plan" - Text: Matthew 6:10
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:

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: <a href="http://hickorychurch.org/donate/">http://hickorychurch.org/donate/</a>

Please welcome them to the church family, Josiah and Boni Tilton of Newton. Josiah's number, 501-207-1852, and Boni's, 501-207-1606. They just moved here from Searcy, AR and have spent many years doing mission work in Ghana.

**First LIFT meeting:** Sunday, September 8th, 6pm, downstairs in the fellowship hall. The church will purchase the workbooks. Contact Kamy Bibbee & Janet Keever for details.

Monday Ladies' Discovery Bible Study on Facebook Messenger at 6:45pm. We are resuming studying Isaiah, starting w/ Ch. 14. Darrell Clark's Bible Study on Facebook, "Search for the Truth in Isaiah" Tues. & Thurs. at 7pm. See Darrell to join the group. LIME Wed. Sept. 11th at 11am-1pm in the fellowship hall. We are studying the book of Hebrews and will be on Chapter 4. We will

meet the 2nd and 4th Wed. Bring something to eat since we meet at lunch time. Contact Barbara Eckard at 828-409-5994.

**Covered Dish Meal** - Wed., Sept. 11, at 6pm in the Fellowship Hall. Bring food and drink to share. At 7pm, we will have our Kids' Bible Class and the Adults will continue discussing how to build relationships and initiate and study the Bible with others.

**HCOC Millennials (mid 20's to late 30's)** – Wed. at 7pm in the hut. See Ali Franks for details for their meetings.

**LRU Bears in Scripture Campus Bible Study,** Thurs. at 7pm in the Fireside Room of the Cromer Center.

**Building and Grounds Cleaning Day** - Fri., Sept. 13, 9am - 12 noon. Bring your yard tools and other hand tools, to help with this great undertaking at our church building. Contact Blake Eckard (828-639-9276) with questions.

Area-Wide Congregational Singing, Fri., Sept. 13, at 7pm at Abilene Church of Christ, 120 Bell Farm Rd., Statesville, NC.

Ladies' Day (Our Hearts to His Glory) - Mountain Island Church of Christ 4205 Mt. Holly-Huntersville Rd. Charlotte, NC 28216. Sat., Sept. 14, 8am-12:30pm with lunch to follow. Email name, number attending, and congregation name to: micocladiesday@gmail.com or contact Nedra at 980-866-1082 (cell)

**Dragonslayer's Men Fellowship** Sat. 9/14 8:00 am in Fellowship Hall.

**Birthday Party for Cyrus Mayfiel**d, Sat., Sept. 14, 2:30-5:30pm, in the church Fellowship Hall. Everyone is invited. He's turning 3 **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.

#### - COMING UP-

**Reed Goldmine Tour & Hike:** Sat. 09/21 at 9:30am in Midland, NC. The walking tour is 30-40 mins. Please bring a packed lunch. We will explore 3 miles of trails after lunch. Please bring a backpack with plenty of water, snacks & supplies. Please read through the trail info for safety and preparation prior to attending. RSVP on Facebook or with Ali Franks. **Cost:**\$1.00-\$2.00 per tour ticket.

**Catawba County Hunger Walk**, Sun., Oct. 13, downtown Newton. Contact Kevin Boggs (828-381-9105), to participate in the Walk. A minimum donation of \$25 is necessary, to get a t-shirt for the Walk.

Teachers are needed for the Children's Bible Class. See Janet Keever or Theresa Watkins, to help with this ministry.

**Catawba Falls Loop Trail Hike:** Sat. 10/26 at 8:30am in Old Fort. The trail is 3.5 miles and features 580 man-made steps. **Please read through the trail info online for safety & preparation prior to attending.** RSVP on Facebook or w/ Ali Franks.

Trunk-or-Treat: Sun.10/27 at 5:30pm. Please leave candy donations in the foyer! Contact Ali or Megan Rae to volunteer.

Carolina Renaissance Festival: Sat.11/02 at 8:30am in Huntersville. Cost: ~\$42.00 per person w /insurance. Tickets are date specific, non-refundable w/out insurance, and need to be purchased in advance online. CRF food vendors are cash only. RSVP on Facebook or with Ali Frank

# **Church Information**

Preaching Minister: Kevin Bibbee Church office: 828.464.4983

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Email Prayer Requests & Announcements to: <u>bulletin@hickorychurch.org</u> | 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 our nation and the world.

**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.

Ashley is recovering from having a pacemaker installed. She is the mother of Timmy Rainwater's nephew, John Boy.

**Kevin Bibbee** will see an audiologist around mid-October, to see if he's a candidate for a cochlear implant. Pray that he might be able to get an earlier appointment.

David Bierce is in Room 524 at Iredell Hospital, after having his left hip replaced today. He had his right hip replaced in June.

Hester Burkhalter is to have her right knee replaced on Tues., Sept. 10, at Viewmont Surgery Center.

Margaret Burns has immense back and leg pain.

Gene Dale was in a car accident. He hurt his left rotator cuff and his van is damaged somewhat.

Muggy Davenport, Tony and Cynthia Lipford's brother-in-law, struggles with sickle cell anemia.

Barbara Eckard's brother, Dick Sidbury, needs salvation. He is taking prednisone to reduce the risk of having a stroke.

Students, School Staff, and Families associated with the Wednesday Georgia high school shooting need our prayers.

Barbara Gnann is now wearing a boot to help with the healing process for her broken ankle.

**Myra Hill's** sister-in law is critically ill with cancer. She has also had MS for a number of years. Pray for Myra's brother, as he copes with his wife's challenges. Myra fell Saturday, hurting her right leg, elbow, hip and both ankles

**Housing Need:** A family among us has black mold in their home. Pray that they find a suitable place to live. See Kevin Bibbee if you know of a temporary or long-term place for them to stay.

**Sydney and Kim Jones**, Praise God, are now back in St. Martin, as of Fri., Aug. 30. They are so excited about getting back home to St. Martin and continuing the exciting work God has called them to with the Cole Bay Church of Christ there.

**Verna Jordan,** Hester Burkhalter's mom was taken off breathing and feeding tubes. She's been alert and communicating recently. Doctors are now giving her liquids and trying her on some nourishment.

Cyrus Mayfield is recovering nicely from surgery he had on Tuesday.

**Harley Mayfield** will have surgery on one of her kneecaps on Sept. 27. After that, she will have surgery on the other. She looks to be out of work for about two months after each surgery.

**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.

**Rosey** is coping with cancer. Her daughter appreciates our prayers for her mom.

**Tamiya** is the sister of one of our LR students. Her gastritis and severe stomach pains have prevented her from keeping food down for over a week now.

**Darleen Vauter** has stage 3 breast cancer. She will have surgery Sept. 25. Keep praying for her grandson, Andrew, desperately needs a school that is suitable for his needs. Her son, Abraham is also struggling.

Anita Wilfong's mom, Ruth Cloninger, has a hematoma on her arm that has ruptured. She's being treated at the hospital.

**St Martin:** Pray for funds to be raised to help with purchasing a needed vehicle for the new Minister, Bro. Sydney Jones. 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 Anniversary

Happy Birthday

9/10 Elijah Hall, 9/12 Kelsie Powell

September Hospitality Coordinator Debbie Killian