

# Welcome to Hickory Church of Christ!

## "The Great Invitation + Being An Inviting Church"

Sunday, April 27, 2025



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 & Flavio Uribe's Message:

#### "The Unexpected Journey into the Unknown" Text: Mark 5

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 -

**Revelation Sunday 9:30am Adult Bible Class** – Join us for this most encouraging class, in-person or at facebook.com/HCOC111. Order "Revelation Commentary" by Jim McGuigan from Sunset Bookstore, 3710 34<sup>th</sup> St., Lubbock, TX 79410, 806-788-3280.

**Ladies' Discovery Bible Study** on Facebook Messenger, Mondays at 6:45pm. We are studying the book of Isaiah

**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 now studying 1 Corinthians**. Please come out.

**Webb Murray Elementary Teacher Recognition** - Please see Barbara Eckard, to donate money or items towards Mini-Spa Kits (Lotion, Lip Balm, etc) for teachers and staff at our adopted school. We look to deliver these on Tues., May 6, during Teacher Appreciation Week.

**Wilkesboro COC Youth Rally**, 1740 Curtis Bridge Rd., May 2-4. <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/1193881263999?aff=oddtcreator>

**Catawba Falls Loop Trail**: Sat. 05/03 at 9:00am in Old Fort. Hikers must read through the event info for safety and preparation prior to attending this ~4 mile hike. RSVP on Facebook or with Ali F.

**Kingdom Café & Prayer, 5/4** at 9:15am. Coffee and sweets will be provided. Join us as we pray for our unsaved loved ones.

**LIFT, 5/4** at 5pm in the Fellowship Hall. Bring your supper and dessert will be provided. (For Ladies)

**AGAPE of NC Daily Prayer Opportunity for the Month of May!** - May is Foster Care Awareness Month. Use the following guide, to pray for foster and adoptive families and everyone who assists them. [simplebooklet.com/fostercareprayerguide](http://simplebooklet.com/fostercareprayerguide).

### - COMING UP -

**Dragonslayers** Sat. 5/10 8:00 in the Fellowship Hall Call David Shuping if interested.

**Orienteering & Map Reading Class**: Sat. 05/10, 1:00pm-4:00pm at 267 Hangar Drive in Statesville. Bring a compass, a pencil, water, and snacks. Contact David S. or Ali F. for the gate code.

**Elsa Barnes Sings National Anthem at Crowdads' Game** – Tuesday, May 13 at 7pm. Come and support our sister.

**Young Adult Retreat**, Age 20-40, May 16-18, Carolina Bible Camp. Register (\$45) - [carolinabiblecamp.org/upcoming-events](http://carolinabiblecamp.org/upcoming-events)

**Family Game Night on Saturday 5/17** from 4:30-7:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. Bring a dish/drink and favorite games.

**"Church Outing in the Park,"** Glenn Hilton Park, Hickory, Shelter 1, Sat., May 31, 11am-4pm. Co-hosting this with Glendale St. COC.

**VBS**, Sat., June 7, 10am – 2pm, age 4-Rising 6<sup>th</sup> Grade. Register: [tinyurl.com/HCOCVBS25](http://tinyurl.com/HCOCVBS25). See Janet, Theresa, or bulletin board.

**Carolina Bible Camp Summer Camp** Registration is Open, Mocksville, NC - [carolinabiblecamp.org/register](http://carolinabiblecamp.org/register)

**Palmetto Bible Camp Summer Camp** Registration is Open, Marietta, SC - [pbc.camp/pbc-pre-registration/](http://pbc.camp/pbc-pre-registration/)

### Church Information

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

**Family Life Minister - Christian Counselor:** David Shuping – 980.525.7384 **Elders:** Scott Fitch, Tom Keever, Steve Killian, & Percil Watkins | **Deacons:** Larry Duncan & Blake Eckard **Address:** 1218 Fairgrove Church Road, Hickory NC

28601 **Website:** [www.hickorychurch.org](http://www.hickorychurch.org) **Sun. Worship Live:** [www.facebook.com/HCOC111/live/](http://www.facebook.com/HCOC111/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.

**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.**

**We are thankful for the Doggie Day Care and grooming business that is using the former M25 building! Pray for their success.**

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

**Georgiana Allen** seeks healing after a recent car accident.

**Bill Barnette**, Jennifer Steelman's Dad, has pulmonary fibrosis. Jennifer covets our prayers.

**Kevin Bibbee's** cochlear implants are gradually helping his hearing.

**Linda DeLoreia** has Parkinson's and the flu; she needs surgery for kidney stones. **Wayne**, her husband, needs strength as caregiver.

**Randy Dennie's cousin, Jackie Miller**, has cancer that has returned.

**Kevin Dill** had bladder surgery.

**Ezra**, Harley Mayfield's friend's one-year-old, is recovering from cancer treatments. Pray for healing after recent procedure.

**Barbara Eddins** misses us so much!

**Brian Flowers** has cancer. Please keep him in your prayers.

**Chris Gibson** is having health challenges.

**Diane H** has health issues and is seeking new employment.

**Cathy Hall** is home with new health challenges.

**Myra Hill** is mostly homebound and very weak with difficulties standing and walking. She sends her love to us and earnestly seeks our prayers.

**Megan Rae Hollar** will have another back surgery, Fri., May 23. Pray exceedingly for her favor.

**Frank Kemp** had kidney surgery to remove a mass.

**Debbie Killian's** great nephew (1 year old) has gastrointestinal problems affecting his colon. Exploratory surgery is this week.

**Richard Johnson** is waiting to hear when he will have surgery.

**John Little**, a former HCOC elder, is moving towards advanced dementia. His daughter, Kristen, may seek our help with him soon.

**Tyler & Ashley Lowman** are thrilled that Ellis has no tumor OR cancer! Problems with his retina may be a long-term issue, but they rejoice that he's going to be okay! They are grateful for everyone's prayers.

**Dustin and Harley Mayfield – New Address (Praise God) – 447 1<sup>st</sup> St. SE, Hickory, NC 28602**

**Zahn McCaslin**, Patsy Yoder's brother, has an inactive cancer. Praise God. He will get an infusion and "clean up" shot every three weeks and a CT scan in 3 months. He is home and on oxygen recovering from the flu.

**Philip P.** is in Frye Hospital, after having a heart attack and triple bypass heart surgery.

**Timmy Rainwater** seeks prayers for his nephew, Jonathan McClure, for his challenges.

**Radford Robbins** will need an injection each week for his esophageal allergies. He also has epilepsy and lung disease.

**Sadie Tolley**, a Parents' Night Out (PNO) mom, has been missing since January. Another PNO parent has major life challenges.

**Darlene V** has started chemo and is troubled by family struggles.

**Veronica** with the Conover Wal-Mart has pancreatic cancer and is on medical leave. She hopes her treatments will relieve her pain.

**Ann Ward** is struggling with cancer.

**Jim Williams**, Timmy Rainwater's brother-in-law of Lenoir, swollen leg impedes his walking. He is also diabetic.

**Mike Wilfong** saw doctors Monday, because of knee problems.

**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 Cardinal Care in Lincolnton.

### **Birthdays**

**4/8 Renee Uribe's, 4/27 April McGrady, 4/30 Landen Killian, 5/2 Percil Watkins, 5/3 Scott Fitch**

### **Anniversary**

**May Hospitality Coordinator Patsy Yoder**

**Greeters: Deedee and Janet Keever**