

Welcome to Hickory Church of Christ!

“Growing an Intimate Relationship with God”

**** Sunday, April 12, 2026 ****



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.

MESSAGE FOR TODAY: – Josiah Tilton “He Meant to Pass By” Mark 6:30-52

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: <http://hickorychurch.org/donate/>

Offering Report – March 29, 2026

Weekly General Offering Need: \$3,175

General Offering: \$2161.00 YTD: \$46,401.92.

God loves a cheerful giver. - 2 Corinthians 9:7b

– THIS WEEK –

Memorial Service for Bro. Jerry Burton - Sun., at 2pm, at HCOC. The family will receive friends after the service. Memorials may be made to Hickory Church of Christ.

LIFT - Ladies' Bible Study will be held on Sunday, April 12, at 5pm, due to this Sunday being Easter.

Grief Share, Grief Support Group, meets Sundays at 2pm in the Hut. Contact Megan Rae Hollar (828-446-9524), for info.

Interested in Bible Study? To learn more about Jesus, baptism, or following Christ, reach out to Kevin Bibbee or our elders.

Ladies' Hebrews Discovery Bible Study – Mondays at 6:45pm on Facebook Messenger. See Theresa Watkins to join this study.

LIME (For Ladies) - Wed., April 8, 11am - 1pm in the Hut. This will be a study of Max Lucado's book, "Begin Again."

Contact Georgiana Allen (828-461-6799) or Barbara Eckard (828-409-5994), to participate or for more information.

Wed. Mid-Week Bible Classes for Kids, at 6pm in the Fellowship Hall. **Family Meal** at 6:30pm. **Adult class** for Apr. 15 will be canceled, as we share in a Zoom with Watch Me Rise. They will later conduct Trust-Based Relational Intervention Training for us.

Bears in Scripture Bible Study, Thurs., at 7pm, in Fireside Room of the Cromer Center at LRU. This will be last study of semester.

Carolina Bible Camp Ladies' Retreat - Fri.-Sun., April 17-19 - Mocksville, NC. See Janet Keever for more info.

Transportation Museum Tour: Sat. 04/18 at 9:00am in Spencer, NC. **Tour Only:** \$10 per person, **Tour & Train Ride:** \$20 per person. RSVP w/ Ali or in the church Facebook group. Please view nctransportationmuseum.org prior to attending for more info.

– COMING UP –

St. Stephens High School Mattress Sale for their Music Programs, Sat., Apr. 18th, 10am - 5pm - Bash (Ba'Shawn) McClinton seeks out help with his school fundraiser. Bash, and his brother and nieces, have attended some with us from Ridgecrest Apartments.

Family Game Night: Fri. 05/08, 6:30pm-9:00pm. Please bring a dish to share, and your games! RSVP with Megan Rae or Ali.

Hannah Watkins' Graduation from Rice University, Sat., May 9, 8pm EST, Houston, TX. There are limited tickets available for the ceremony, but see Theresa Watkins if you are interested in attending. Livestream info: <http://commencement.rice.edu/>.

Church Information

Pastoral Care/Prayer Minister: Kevin Bibbee | **Church office:** 828-464-4983

Family Life Minister - Christian Counselor: David Shuping – 980-525-7384 | **Evangelist:** Flavio Uribe - 828-348-4266

1218 Fairgrove Church Road, Hickory NC 28602 | **Elders:** Scott Fitch, Tom Keever, Steve Killian, & Percil Watkins | **Deacons:** Larry Duncan, Josiah Tilton, & Joe Hall | **Website:** www.hickorychurch.org | **Sun. Worship Live:** youtube.com/@HickoryCOC and

Facebook.com/HCOC111 | **Email Prayer Requests & Announcements to:** 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, deacons, minister, counselor, and evangelist.

Pray as our church leaders interview candidates for our Youth/Young Adult Internship.

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

Pray for the conflict in Iran, For our troops and for a peaceful resolution.

Casey Allen needs God's strength to overcome his challenges.

Georgiana Allen is to have surgery on June 16 to remove carcinoma from her eyelid.

Gabe Burkhalter saw a pediatric cardiologist. Pray that he can get his blood pressure down.

Hester Burkhalter and Family seek our prayers as they travel for several weeks.

Jerry Burton, passed away at CVMC. See the obituary [HERE](#). The service is 4/12 at 2:00 is below. Jerry's grieving relatives include his son, Wayne, and daughters, Gail and Kelly, and a host of other relatives, including his niece, Alicia Hollar, and his great-niece, Megan Rae Hollar. Please pray for all of Bro. Jerry's entire family and loved ones.

Shelly Cain seeks prayers for; A sister in Christ's granddaughter (under age 10) in Texas who has heart failure and is being evaluated for a heart transplant. Please pray for Arianna, her mom Katherine, and grandma Joy. (And the rest of the family)

Paul and Jan Caldwell's son, Michael, is in the Cleveland Clinic due to a cancerous tumor in his heart.

Cole Bay Church of Christ seeks God's guidance for more growth. They are without a full-time preacher but are praying for one.

Blake and Barbara Eckard are moving to Newton this week. Pray the move goes well.

Barbara Eckard seeks prayers for Sam Nixon (21) who is the brother of her nephew's fiance'. He is recovering from jaw surgery.

James Elizee of Cole Bay Church of Christ is recovering from surgery on his leg. His healing has been slow due to his diabetes.

Cathy Hall asks that we continue petitioning God for her healing, as antibiotics don't seem to be helping.

Joe & Cathy Hall's niece, Rachael, is suffering from an undiagnosed illness. She is in her 30's and is almost in a wheelchair.

Roy Henson is home sick. It seems to be a bad cold that he has.

Tasha Herman, the Watkins' friend and a PNO mom, will have surgery April 16.

Myra Hill needs prayers for her severe pain in her neck, shoulder, and left arm.

Alfred Cole, Cindy Lidey's brother-in-law, is in rehab, due to an accident

Cyrus Mayfield is home and was with us Sunday, after a hospital stay for pneumonia.

Deborah Miles is now back home, as she continues mending from back surgery.

Steve Moore, Si Tilton's friend and our brother, is in Searcy, AR. He is terribly sick with cancer and needs are prayers.

Lucy Moss had outpatient hand surgery, after a recent fall.

Margo Hull Nance is waiting for a greatly needed heart transplant.

Sonia Noble, the Watkins' friend, gets immunotherapy for her cancer and is doing better. She now has unexplained chest pain.

Lori Pickett, the sister of the Watkins' friend, is battling lung, pancreatic and liver cancer. She is taking chemo treatments.

Chelsea Robbins' husband Todd passed away recently. Pray for the family, as they cope with his absence.

Eddie Sigmon will have surgery April 17.

Sherry Smart fell and broke her wrist. She is at home.

John Stasny has covid but is doing ok. He has gone through a lot, but remains hopeful.

Bonita (Boni) Tilton has been unable to meet with us, due to health issues.

Darlene V has health challenges and wants to grow closer to Christ.

Lucille Woodrum is counting her blessings. She is stable, while not regaining weight.

Birthdays

4/8 Renee Uribe

Anniversaries

Hospitality Coordinator: April -Janet Keever