



CHURCH OF CHRIST

THE FAMILY OF GOD

At Clear Creek

Connecting People to God and to Each Other

February 17, 2008



A warm welcome is extended to all who have come to worship. Let us express our love to God and our deep appreciation for His bountiful goodness. With prayer and song, with scripture and devout responses, with minds ready to receive the Word of God, and with our spirits dedicated to God's will, let us eagerly approach the throne of grace. If you are our guest today, we are delighted that you have joined us for our celebration of God's love. Our period of worship usually begins with congregational singing and a prayer. Before or after the sermon, we commemorate Jesus' crucifixion and resurrection with a symbolic Last Supper. This is followed by a monetary collection used to support our ministries here at Clear Creek. During our afternoon service, we have a special time of worship for children ages 3-5 called "Wee Worship." If you would like for your child to attend, one of the ushers can assist you in finding the room. Again, we welcome you to the Clear Creek Church of Christ. We pray that you will be blessed by your time with us and that God will be glorified by our period of worship today.

Family News & Coming Events

Pulpit Search Committee: Our search committee consists of: **Butch Hannah (chairman), Suzanne Belcher, Jana Cannon, Jill Hartness, Clay Parker, Buddy Parks, Melanie Pope, Lila Statom, Ben Vance, Katie Warren and Todd Zumbrun.** If you know of a candidate that is worthy of consideration, please give any name and relevant information to one of the committee. We also solicit your continual prayers for this important decision for Clear Creek.

WORLD BIBLE SCHOOL teachers may pick up your "Action" newsletter in your WBS mailbox.

Feb. 20: Wednesday night meal. Be sure to sign up and pay on Sunday if you plan to eat.

New Sisters Welcome Dinner -Thursday, February 21st at 6:30 pm here at the church building. Please bring your favorite salad and join us in welcoming our newest sisters to our church family.

We will conduct the worship for the month of February for **Martin Boyd Christian Home.** Worship there begins at 3:00 pm. The preaching schedule is: Today: **Tim Arthur**, Feb. 24: **Youth & KFJ Groups.** Song leading will be done by **Waymon Vickery** and **Jim Brasher.** Bus will leave our parking lot at 2:30 pm for those who prefer not to drive. Bob McGrath is coordinating this effort.

Feb. 24: Empty baskets will be given out for members to fill for the **Head Start Easter Party.** Return no later than March 9 to the Children Minister's Office.

Feb. 27: Youth Group Fund Raising Event. McAlister's Deli has agreed to give our youth group 10% of their sales on Wed. from 5-8 pm. Since there is no dinner here that evening, come to McAlister's and allow the youth group to "wait on you" in exchange for your dinner receipt and maybe a little tip money. The proceeds from all youth group fund raisers are being used to help outfit our new youth building at Clear Creek.

April 11-13: There will be a **Church Wide Retreat** at Camp Vesper Point. Details will be provided later.

March 8: An Easter Egg Hunt will be from 2-4 pm at the home of the **Vance's** at 5320 Cassandra Smith Rd. All ages are invited. Please bring 2 dozen plastic eggs filled with candy and a snack to share. Contact Kelly Johnson if you have any questions.

March 9: A Missions Update will be shared. In support of our China Teams on this particular day, wear your China Team T-shirts or past VBS shirts. Let's break out the red and yellow bracelets again too! Can't wait till then to hear how they are doing? Then, check out www.hixsonsender.blog.com (password: withhislove) to read their many stories and see some great pictures!

August 6-9! SAVE THE DATE! Summer Camp for current 3rd-8th graders will be at Camp Vesper in Soddy Daisy and the cost is \$135 per camper. More details to come!

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Children's Ministry

Attention Parents (not siblings): PLEASE remember to escort your child, 3rd grade and younger to their Bible class and pick them up.

Feb. 22: Mommy & Me Play Group (4 year olds and under) will meet at the Northgate Mall play area from 11 am to 1 pm. Bring your lunch or join us at Chick-Fil-A. Contact Bridgett Chambers (843-1999) if you'd like to be added to the e-mail list

Feb. 24: KFJ and Youth visit Martin-Boyd and conduct worship service. We will depart at 2 pm and return at 4 pm.

Feb. 27: KFJ Singing Night in Rm. 203.

March 8: Easter Egg Hunt at the Vance's from 2-4 p.m.

Youth Ministry

This Weekend: Winterfest. Return Sunday around 4 pm.

Feb. 20: All area youth (grades 6-12) are invited to an evening of food, fun and worship together hosted by Freed-Hardeman University at Boyd Buchanan cafeteria. The event is from 7-8:30 pm and our bus will leave at 6:30 and return by 8:45. There will still be classes here for those who do not wish to attend. There is no charge for the event.

Feb. 27: Youth Group Fund Raising Event at McAlister's Deli. Sign up for your time to help.

June 8-11: Chattanooga Work Camp for all teens. Save the date!

LIFE Group Ministry

LIFE Groups facilitate worship and praise of God, encourage close Christian fellowship, serve the church and community, and create a welcoming environment to evangelize the lost. Interested? Give **Bobby Hicks** a call at **870-3104** or **Bill Warren** at **226-6301**.



MEN OF COURAGE

Wednesday Nights: "Quiet Strength" led by Butch Hannah in the CAC conference room.

Men's Breakfast & Bible Study: Fridays at 6:30 am, MP room.

Support Groups Hixson hosts support groups for various addictions. Call Quinton for confidential info (653-7895).



Women's Ministry

Sunday Ladies Bible Class at 1 pm in Room 256. Study from Proverbs. Teachers are Marjorie Beasley and Jill Hartness. Please come. Let's love God and one another more.

Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Study: Meets at 10 am in the Multi-Purpose room.

Wednesday Nights: "Believing God" a study book by Beth Moore will run through March. Feb. 20: #9 Discussion. Feb. 27: DVD #10

New Bible Study "Stepping Up, a Journey Through the Psalms of Ascent" by Beth Moore **will begin Wednesday, March 12 at 6:30 pm.** Location TBA. Workbooks to use this DVD series can be purchased at Lifeway Bookstore. (There will also be workbooks for purchase at the first meeting.) Contact Kathy Hannah at 718-3265 for info.

Young Adults

Wednesday Night Class in CAC Conference Room. The topic is "Practical Proverbs".

Sunday College Class meets in Room 253. Study titled "Mere Christianity".

Join the college group at the Stone Cup Coffee House each Sunday evening at 7:00 p.m. For more information contact Matt Gant at matthew_gant@yahoo.com or call 596-1212.

Room In The Inn Meal

February 19: Parks/Coffman

February 26: Odum/Tomshack

March 4: Campbell/Jett

February 17

Hixson

Opening Prayer: Gary Carson

Com. Message: Finley Bandy

Boyd Buchanan

Opening Prayer: Bob McGrath

Com. Message: David Van Eaton

Nursery & Wee Worship Volunteers

February 17:

Nursery: B. Brasher, A. Smith

Toddlers: F. Lane, S. Sanders

Wee Worship: S. Cole & S. Miller
Q. & T. Skyles

February 24:

Nursery: J. Gray, E. Salisbury

Toddlers: G & R. Oleksik

Wee Worship: B. Parker, M. Seiler
B. Whitehorn, L. Lane

Order of Worship

Welcome

Congregational Reading (430)
Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee (202)
Here I Am to Worship

Prayer

Give Me the Bible (450)
I Believe in Jesus (356)

Communion Message

Lord, Speak to Me (771)

Offering

Break Thou the Bread of Life (431)
Thy Word (449)

Sermon

Trust and Obey (915)

Closing Remarks

Please fill out a Member or Guest card or a Prayer Request card and place it in the contribution basket.

Thank you!

Prayer Requests

Please pray for **Steve Campbell** who was in a motorcycle accident. He is in room 6120 at Erlanger Hospital.

Lisa Higgins is now home after a short stay at Erlanger.

Virginia Clendenen, mother to **Elaine Boyd-Osby** and grandmother to **Bridgett Chambers** had back surgery last Thursday. Prayers and cards would be appreciated. Her address is: 1326 Windbrook Ln., Hixson, Tn.

Wayne Arthur, uncle of **Tim Arthur**, is in ICU at Memorial Hospital and has developed some new health issues. He is still in serious condition.

Please remember **Debbie Davis**, mother of five children who has pancreatic cancer.

Gloria Pickle, aunt of **Betty Brasher**, has Alzheimer's which is progressing quickly. Please remember her husband, **Coleman** who is caring for her.

Louise Weddington, mother of **Martha Hendrix**, is having issues with her heart. She is at home and Home Health is assisting with her care. Please pray for her and the family.

Margaret Malone, sister of **Marjorie Beasley**, has begun radiation. Her address is 4080 Eagle River Rd., Memphis, TN 38118.

Ken Huntoon is currently at Moccasin Bend Hospital. He is in Unit B, at the Winston Building. You will be asked for his ID number (43269) if you visit. Visiting hours are from 10:30 am to 8:30 pm daily. It has been suggested that only those who know him visit and only in small groups of 2-4 people. His address there is: Moccasin Bend Hospital, Unit B, 100 Moccasin Bend Rd., Chattanooga, TN 37405.

Please remember **Kim Rucker** in prayer and send her a card of encouragement. K.S. Rucker (41226-074), FCI Tallahassee, 501 Capital Cir. NE, Tallahassee, FL 32301.

Please remember our men and women in the armed services.

CTRSN Lauren Cameron

USS Sterrett DDG 104

590 Washington St.

Bath, ME 04530

CMCA Campbell, Clay

NMCMC FIVE (DET 10)

UNIT 25304

FPO AP 96601-4971

WORSHIP TIMES:

Sunday:

Bible Class...1:00 pm

Worship...2:00 pm

Sunday Evening:

Life Groups: Meet as scheduled

Wednesday Evening:

Fellowship Meal 5:15

(reservations needed)

Devotional 6:25 pm

Bible Study...6:45 pm

ATTENDANCE:

February 10 , 2007

Boyd Buchanan

Worship Attendance: 112

Hixson

Worship Attendance: 367

Worship Total: 478

Bible Study: 378

CONTRIBUTION:

2008 Weekly Budget Need: \$19,654.00

02/10/08 Giving: \$ 17,656.27

02/10/08 Building Fund: \$ 1,845.10

Budget to Date: \$ 117,924.00

Giving to Date: \$ 103,321.20

HIXSON SHEPHERDS:

Gary Carson
Roger Coffman
Bobby Golden
Larry Grant
Loyd Hodges
Phillip Lynn
Bob McGrath
Roy Ramsey
Dick Salisbury

MINISTRY STAFF:

Jim Beasley...Involvement Minister
Phil & Jana Cannon...Youth Ministers
Roger Coffman...Pastoral Care Minister
Laura Harbin...Children's Minister
Jake & Shelly Hendrix...Missions

February Birthdays!

17-Thomas Hoffpauir, Todd Zumbrun	24-Nancy Golden
18-Mackie Parks, Gale Hatfield,	25-Grayson Layne
Sara Grace Ray	26-Ray Bearden, Mark Hixson
19-Emily Hixson, Katie Oakley	27-Tad Hoffpauir, Julie Dutton,
20-Terry Miller, Julie Ring, Serena King	Colter Parker, Jameson Perry,
21-Wayne Hendrix, Steve Bowling,	Gwynnie Golden
Matthew Gant, Brigg Goins, Tyler Goins	28-Phoebe Warren, Joshua Mellor
22-Louise Benson	29-Betty Hofses
23-Curtis Horn, Tom Window	

TRAINING AND EQUIPPING EACH OTHER THROUGH BIBLICAL TEACHING AT HOME AND AT CHURCH (2 Tim 3:14-16)

According to a 2007 Gallup poll most Americans believe the Bible is the word of God:

- 31 % of Americans believe the Bible is true.
- 10 % of Americans with no religious affiliation believe the Bible is the word of God.
- 26 % of Americans with no religious affiliation believe the Bible is inspired by God.
- Only 19 % of Americans believe the Bible is a collection of myth and legend.

(Associated Press, "Polls: Most Believe Bible as God's Word," *Washington Times*, 05-29-07)

Two reasons to "continue in what you have learned . . . the holy Scriptures."

- The good people who taught us the Scriptures.
- The good effect that the Scriptures can have in our lives.

Clear Creek needs to be a church that trains and equips parents and grandparents to produce young people who have the moral fiber to stand firm for God and His Word no matter what!

D. L. Moody said, "Scripture is not given for our information but for our transformation."

- The holy Scriptures make us wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus (v 15).
- No salvation from sin and condemnation except in Jesus Christ (Rom 10:17; Acts 4:12).

Why are the Scriptures able to do this? (vs 16-17)

- All Scripture is inspired of God ("God-breathed"). The Holy Spirit carried the writers along (as wind fills the sails of a ship and move it forward) so that the words they wrote were God's words, carrying the meaning that He intended (2 Pet 1:21).
- Scripture is "useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting, and training in righteousness." All that we know for sure about God, His Son, and His Spirit we learn from His Word.
- Scripture is sufficient for thoroughly equipping us "for every good work." God is training us through His Word in order to be able to do His work through us. This may be the most wonderful thing about this truth.

The divine origin of the Bible means that we can "be thoroughly equipped for every good work."

- The point of our good works is not us, but that others can see God in us (Matt 5:16).
- As a congregation we must train and equip each other to become Jesus' disciples.

"Man does not live on bread alone but on every word that comes from the mouth of God"
(Matt 3:4; Deut 8:3).