



CHURCH OF CHRIST

THE FAMILY OF GOD

At Clear Creek

Connecting People to God and to Each Other

February 24, 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

"What a great weekend!" "What powerful lessons!" "I had a lot of fun!" These were some of the comments made by the attendees last weekend at Winterfest. Thanks to all the adults who went as chaperones; thanks to all the teens who went and represented our church well; and thanks to the anonymous financial donors who helped with the costs. God always shows up and His hand is always very evident in this great event. Some are already talking about next year.

We rejoice to announce that **Matt Dolberry**, son of **Keith and Annette Dolberry**, was baptized last Sunday by his brother **Zack**.

We extend sympathy to the family of **Cheryl Wooten**, sister of **Dennis Henderson** who passed away Wednesday morning in her sleep. Her funeral was on Saturday in Jasper, Tennessee. Please keep this family in your prayers.

Lisa Higgins needs transportation to and from the doctor. Please call **Jackie Olson** (332-9674) if you can help.

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.

Today is the last Sunday we will conduct the worship for **Martin Boyd Christian Home**. Worship there begins at 3:00 pm. , and is being led by the **Youth & KFJ Groups**. The bus will leave our parking lot at 2:00 pm for those who prefer not to drive.

Today: 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. **Kids under 12 eat free!** 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.

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!

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

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

Today: KFJ and Youth visit Martin-Boyd and conduct worship service. 3rd-5th graders planning to go meet in Rm. 203 after Bible class. We will return by 4:15 pm.

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

Feb.28: Design Meeting at 6 p.m. in office conference room. Any creative people interested in brainstorming ideas for Clear Creek Children's wings please email Laura (lharbin@clearcreekcoc.org).

March 3: Playworld Down Under from 11 am to 1 pm. Moms get in free! Plan to stay with us for lunch at the Café. Call Bridgett (843-1999) to RSVP.

March 5: Prayer Meeting at 6 p.m. in Children's Ministry office.

March 5: K-2nd Singing Night in Rm.218.

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

Youth Ministry

Today: All youth attend Martin-Boyd church service. Young men will conduct the service. Bus leaves after Bible class and returns around 4:15 -4:30 p.m.

Feb. 25: Guys and Girls Bible Study at the Cannons' 7:00-8:30. Bring your Bible.

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

Now through March 9: Bring little boy or little girl item for Easter baskets.

March 2:: Middle School Parents Meeting. 12-2 pm in room 252.

June 8-11: Chattanooga Work Camp for all teens.

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.



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

March 11: Friends Night Out at the home of Laura Harbin. The fun will start at 7 p.m. We will be feasting and enjoying fellowship with one another and hopefully our dear friends in China via a webcam. Bring a friend! Sign up sheet and directions will be posted on the bulletin board soon.

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. 27: DVD #10, March 5: Discussion of DVD # 10 and wrap up of last class.

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.

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.**

Room In The Inn Meal

February 26: Odum/Tomshack

March 4: Campbell/Jett

March 18: K. Hannah/Schannuth

February 24

Hixson

Opening Prayer: Matt Ellis

Com. Message: Butch Hannah

Boyd Buchanan

Opening Prayer: Michael Hipp

Com. Message: Dick Salisbury

Nursery & Wee Worship Volunteers

February 24:

Nursery: J. Gray, E. Salisbury

Toddlers: G & R. Oleksik

Wee Worship: S.Cole & S.Miller
B. Whitehorn, L. Lane

March 2:

Nursery: P. & M. E. Lynn

Toddlers: M. Beasley, P. Haynes

Wee Worship: B. Parker, M.Seiler
J. McAlpin, M. Marlin

Order of Worship

Welcome

Opening Prayer

I Love You, Lord (779)

Scripture: Eph. 1:3-10

Prayer: Praise

My Eyes Are Dry (792)

Psalms 51:1-19

Prayer: Repentance

Thank You, Lord (781)

Communion Message/Offering

Eph. 3:14-19

Prayer: Intercession

On Bended Knee

All to Jesus I Surrender

Prayer: Commitment

Sermon

Sweet Hour of Prayer (827)

Closing Remarks

Benediction: Heb. 13:20-21

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

Thank you!

Prayer Requests

Doretha Crossman is going to the doctor once a week for medical treatment because there have been changes in the nodules. Please continue to pray for her. (Care Group 4)

Andy Powers, friend of **Joy Hibbs**, has had a recurrence of a brain tumor. He requests cards and prayers. His address is: 4165 Gann Store Rd., Hixson, TN 37343.

Dean Olson, son of **Bob and Jackie Olson**, has walking pneumonia.

Ashley Gravett, girlfriend of **Josh McAlpin**, had an appendectomy on Monday, Feb. 18. She is now at home.

Jim Whitehead, brother of **Cathy Albright** is in Memorial Hospital. He had a defective heart valve replaced on Wednesday.

Please continue to pray for **Steve Campbell** who was in a motorcycle accident recently. He is now recovering at home. (Care Group 3)

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. (Care Group 1)

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. His address there is: Moccasin Bend Hospital, Unit B, 100 Moccasin Bend Rd., Chattanooga, TN 37405. (Care Group 8)

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. (Care Group 3)

Please remember our men and women in the armed services.

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USS Sterrett DDG 104
590 Washington St.
Bath, ME 04530

CMCA Campbell, Clay
NMCB 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 17, 2007

Boyd Buchanan

Worship Attendance: 102

Hixson

Worship Attendance: 281

Winterfest:

92

Bible Study:

226

Worship Total:

475

CONTRIBUTION:

2008 Weekly Budget Need: \$19,654.00

02/17/08 Giving: \$ 16,424.61

02/17/08 Building Fund: \$ 1,737.00

Budget to Date: \$ 137,578.00

Giving to Date: \$ 119,745.81

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!

24-Nancy Golden
25-Grayson Layne
26-Ray Bearden, Mark Hixson
27-Tad Hoffpauir, Julie Dutton,

Colter Parker, Jameson Perry,
Gwynnie Golden
28-Phoebe Warren, Joshua Mellor
29-Betty Hofses

"My Favorite Promises"

All too often, we see the word of God as a rule book consisting of "do's" and "don'ts" created for the purpose of keeping us in line. However, not only is the word of God a "lamp for our feet and a light for our pathway," it is also a love letter from God to His creation.

With that in mind, this week I want to share biblical promises that are some of my personal favorites:

"For know the plans that I have for you, declares the Lord. Plans to prosper you and not harm you; plans to give you hope and a future." *Jeremiah 29:11*

"But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run and not be weak; they shall walk and not faint." *Isaiah 40:31*

"As we have born the image of the earthly, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly." *1 Corinthians 15:49*

"As the mountains are around about Jerusalem, so the Lord is around about his people from henceforth even forever." *Psalms 125:2*

"Lo, I am with you always. . ." *Matthew 28:20*

"As one whom his mother comforts, so I will comfort you." *Isaiah 66:13*

"I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee." *Hebrews 13:5*

"You shall see greater things than these." *John 1:50*

"In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths." *Proverbs 3:6*

"The Lord shall guide thee continually." *Isaiah 58:11*

"Humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you at the proper time, casting all your anxiety on Him, because He cares for you." *1 Peter 5:6-7*

"(you shall) obtain an inheritance which is imperishable and undefiled and will not fade away, reserved in heaven for you who are protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time." *1 Peter 1:4-5*

"To live is Christ, to die is gain." *Philippians 1:21*

"We have a building of God, a house not made with hands eternal in the heavens."

2 Corinthians 5:1

"In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace which He lavished upon us." *Ephesians 1:7-8*

"And we know that God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose." *Romans 8:28*

May you spend this week standing on His promises! --Joey