

(Post your prayer requests or download our current prayer list @ www.hickorychurch.org)

PRAYER REQUESTS



Minister search: That God will make the choice obvious for us!

New this week:

Heidi Fox underwent an emergency appendectomy Wednesday.

Robert Rutan expresses thanks for the kind expressions of sympathy on the passing of **Gladys**. He and daughter **Donna Davis** request continued prayers.

Annie Cay, Johnnie B.'s grandmother, lost everything when her house burned down Saturday morning, 1/19.

Toni Cay, Johnnie B.'s aunt has Graves Disease, is in radiation treatment and temporary isolation.

Albert Dennie is being scheduled for abdominal surgery in Winston Salem

Family and friends in our prayers continually:

Lewis Cannon, Gloria B.'s uncle

Gloria's aunt, **Lillie Lail**

Randy & Jan Creson, Randy's health and family

Rusty Hughes, Retta's brother-in-law

Clifton Icard, Barbara P.'s father

Ken Jernigan, David's dad

Rentz Johnson

Kathleen Kirby

Virginia Lipford, Anthony's mother

Danny Nesbitt, Kristi S.'s dad

Judy Price recurrence of intestinal problem

The family of **Ellen Starnes Rice, Denny's** sister in law

Larry Sigmon, Eloise B.'s brother

Dale Townsend, Ann H.'s brother in law

Jim V. "glad to be home."

Isaac Walker, the 5 years old grandson of **Robert & Leslie H.**

Geraldine Ward, lung cancer

Carey Wiggins, Hospice

God bless those serving overseas:



Robert & Regina Lewis in Chemitz, Germany.

Craig & Theresa Phillips in Mumbai, India.

Scott & Emily Glisson, Stephenson's friends in Uganda.

Avg. 2007		w/o 1/20/2008
83	Sunday School	74
125	Assembly	109
46	Wednesday	42
\$3,211	Contribution	\$3,101
11/day (10)	Web visitors, total (unique)	55/day (38)



Happy Birthday:

3rd Christopher Scott Gay

Happy Anniversary:

29th Tim/Missy Stroud (25th!)



It's always great to have Visitors!

Damien & Rockell Allen Lawrenceville GA

Candace Gartman

The Duncans were with us Wednesday, details missed.

Ernest Taylor Glendale St. Church

Roosevelt & Danette Moss Glendale St. Church

(Your humble editor needs to get visitor cards! Don't make me beg.)

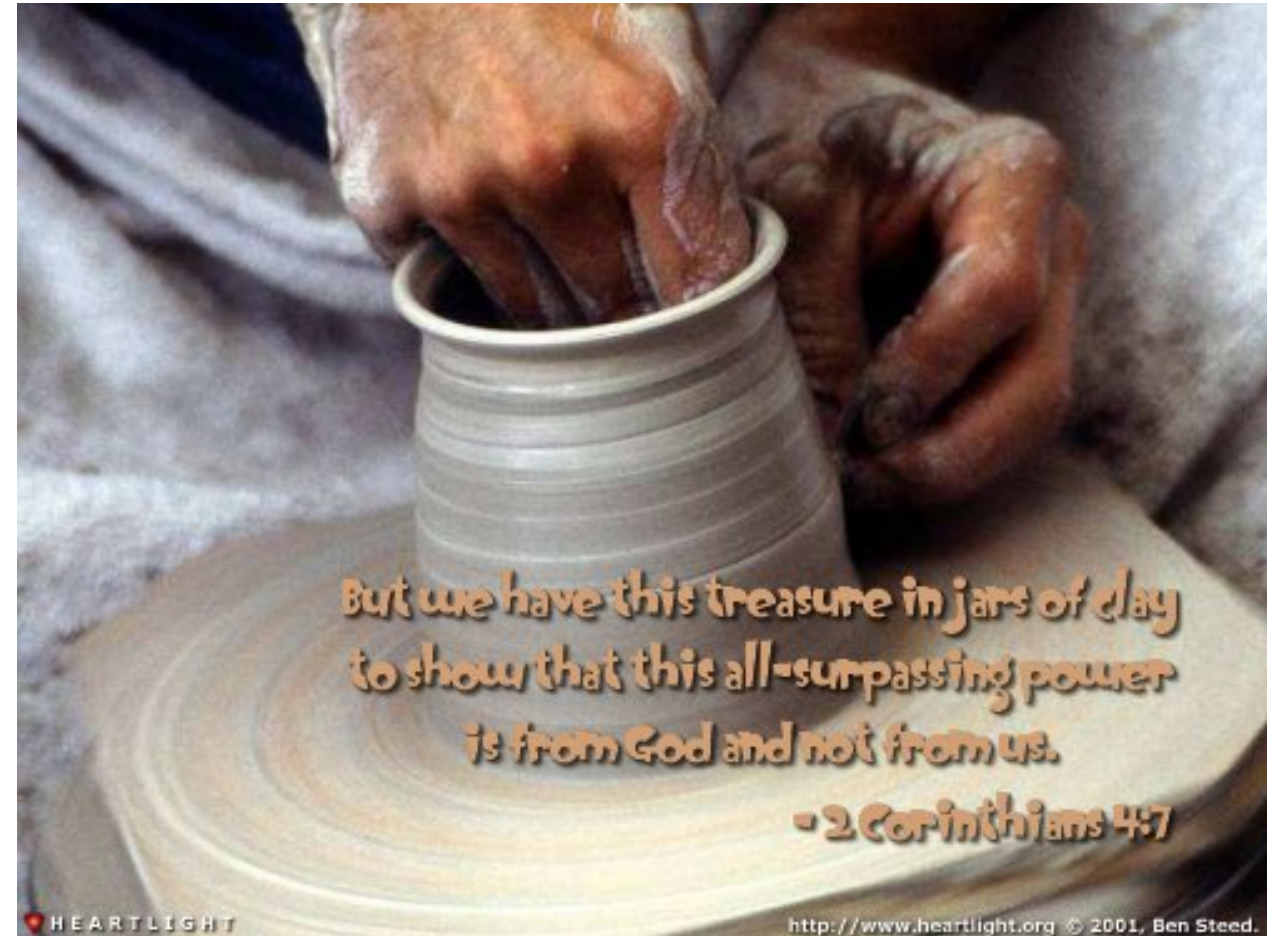
(There are **visitor cards** in the back of the pews. Please encourage visitors to fill one out! And anyone may use the cards for prayer requests, etc.)



BULLETIN
JANUARY 27, 2008
WELCOME!

"...let him call the elders of the church..." James 5:14

Bob Belville 221-0356(h) 430-1711(c)
Keith Fox 322-2121(h)
Ron Henry 256-8437(h)
Steve Killian 256-9142(h)
Jim Valentine



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Sunday School 9:30 A.M.; Worship 10:30

Wednesday 7:00 P.M.

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CALENDAR

Office: 464 4983 Fax: 464 3747
1218 Fairgrove Church, Road Hickory 28602
Pantry Hours: Wed. 6:30-7 P.M.
Sun. 9-9:30 A.M. 11:30 A.M.-12 P.M.

News and Notes



WinterFest, Gatlinburg, Feb 15-17! There will be a brief meeting at the front of the auditorium after services for all those attending Winterfest. If possible, please write your cell phone number and expected arrival time on a sheet of paper and give it to Bryan Steelman at this meeting.

Several folks noticed how nice the shrubs and grounds looked last Sunday, thanks, **Tyler Killian!**

Jack Kline came up front Wednesday night (23 Jan) not to apologize for giving the teacher a hard time, but to proudly announce the birth of **Daelyn Paige Thomas** 9lbs 2oz to his daughter and son in law **Dena and Terry Thomas** at 3 pm on her great grandmother's (**Mary "Baba" Christy**) 98th birthday! Dena and family (7 children) live in Clover SC and attend **Gold Hill Road Church of Christ** in Fort Mill where Terry is a Deacon. **Chris** is playing "mom" to the other 6 (7?) while Dena is in the hospital.

A few alert folks have asked about the slate flooring and some "spalling" that we're seeing. Slate is a natural stone and has a definite grain to it. There is less adhesion vertically, between the layers, than horizontally, within the layers. **Joey** and I believe that after a while, all, or most, of the loose pieces release, the

spalling will pretty much stop. At that point we'll add 2 or 3 more coats of sealer to give a uniform sheen and to protect the grout.

Natural slate is great flooring and has been used in residential and commercial flooring for centuries. Your comments are always welcome.

We have heard a comment or two about the new credenzas coming for the lobby. Perhaps an explanation is in order.

Our foyer, where visitors get their first and lasting impression of our church, needs to be a warm and welcoming place. We hope folks want to hang out and visit with each other. The psychology of colors and décor are way over my pay grade, but I am sure it is real and what we're doing will give this area an inviting ambiance.

Tonya Osborne, who deserves credit for the "facelift" planning and execution, arranged for a wonderful price, employee discount, on a couple of fine pieces of furniture to finish off the décor "properly". And since we wanted to do it without anyone worrying that we were using our limited treasure on extravagances, we solicited the money needed from a couple of folks who could "afford it" and who either appreciated our logic or were willing to trust our taste. So, let's just be thankful and enjoy. There are enough critics in the world, let's determine that we're going to be cheerleaders! Be reminded of what Paul wrote the church at Colossae:

"As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with

one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful."

Action Team Activities

Northeast Catawba Action Team will meet Sunday January 27th in our Fellowship Hall after services for their monthly meeting and luncheon. Please bring covered dish for your family and to share. This meeting will be for planning 2008 activities. Please attend – we need you and your suggestions.

Sunday, January 27, 5:00 P.M.
The **Burke/Caldwell Action Team** will have their monthly meeting at the home of **Kerry & Linda Sumner**. The menu theme recommendation is "casserole supper".

Welcome	Ron Henry
Song Leader	Jack Kline
Speaker	Mike Hipes
First Prayer	Steve Killian
Scripture	Frank Stephenson
Lord's Supper	Bryan Steelman
Pass Communion	Dick Covalinski
	Jack Matthews
	Carl Henry
To the Nursery:	Steve Burkhalter
	Justin Kidd
Dismissal Prayer	Kerry Sumner

Interim speakers coming to HCoC:

Invite your family and friends to hear some really special messages:

Today	Mike Hipes	Pine Valley CoC, Wilmington (NC) ...
Feb. 3	Dan Hammitt	Waxhaw NC
Feb. 10	Larry Duncan	Hickory Church of Christ
Feb. 17	Chris Hutson	Hood Theological Seminary, Salisbury
Feb. 24	Ellis Coats	Florence AL (Nancy Posey.'s dad!)