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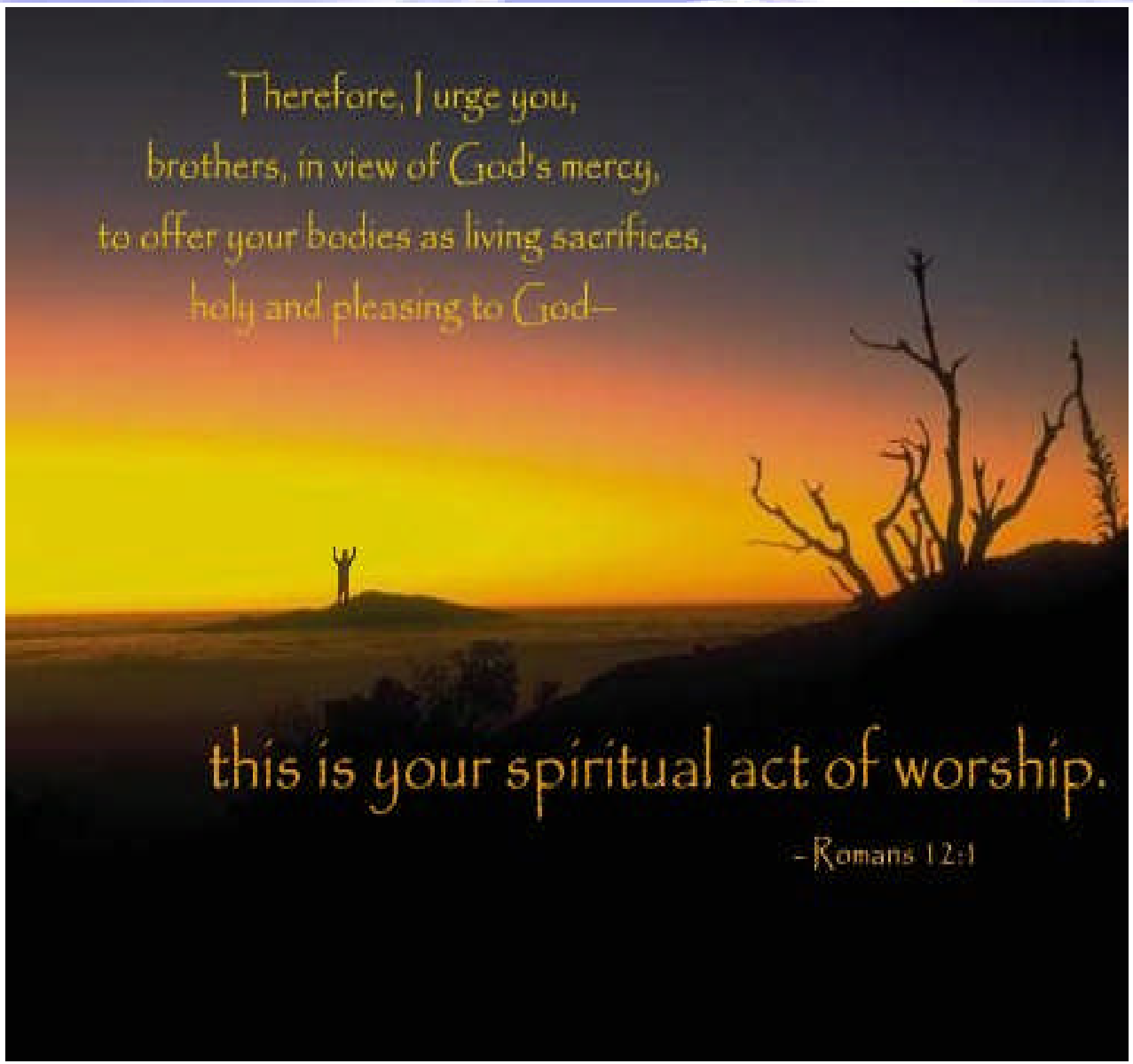
- ☎ 430-1711 Bob Belville ☎ 221-0356
- Keith Fox ☎ 322-2121
- Ron Henry ☎ 256-8437
- Steve Killian ☎ 256-9142
- Jim Valentine ☎ 328-6446

Welcome	Keith Fox
Song Leader	Rik Covalinski
Speaker	Chris Hutson
First Prayer	Bryan Steelman
Scripture	Joe Hall
Lord's Supper	Dick Posey
Pass Communion	Tony Lipford
	Jack Matthews
	Carl Henry
	Mike Wilfong
...to the Nursery	Ty Stephenson
Dismissal Prayer	Steve Killian

The New Life in Christ

Romans 12 I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. ² Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.

³ For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. ⁴ For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, ⁵ so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. ⁶ We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ⁷ ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; ⁸ the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.



Interim speakers coming to Hickory Church of Christ:
 Invite your family and friends to hear some really special messages:

Sep. 7	Chris Hutson
Sep. 14	Dan Hammitt

The **Hickory Church of Christ** loves to have **Visitors!**
Bonnie Harper
 (There are **visitor cards** in the back of the pews. Please encourage visitors to fill one out!
 And anyone, guest or member, may use the cards for prayer requests, address changes, email addresses, etc.)

Averages 2007		w/o 8/31/2008
83	Sunday School	60
125	Assembly	102
46	Wednesday	39
\$3,211	Contribution	\$1,959
73/week (68)	Web visitors, total (unique)	255/week (168)
3773 (3531)	Total year to date	9889 (7640)

Have news, comments, **pictures** for the bulletin?
 Your contributions are most welcome:
 To the editor: rbelville@hickorychurch.org



Happy Birthday

- Sep. 7th **Jude Mayeux**
- Sep. 9th **Joshua Kidd**
- Sep. 10th **Justin Kidd**
- Sep. 14th **Tonya Osborne**

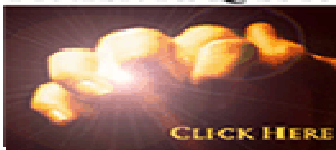
Happy Anniversary

- Sep. 13th **Jim & Deane Valentine** (49th)
- Sep. 14th **Carl & Karen Henry** (12th)



Sunday School 9:30 A.M.; Worship 10:30 Wednesday 7:00 P.M. www.hickorychurch.org Stay in the know, check our calendar regularly	 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.
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PRAYER REQUESTS



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

[Special concerns this week:](#)

Megan Bibbee – recuperating from successful surgery in Children's Hospital, St. Paul, MN.-

Linda Sumner – Raise a prayer for her strength to prevail!

[Family and friends in our prayers continually:](#)

Georgia Adcox

Tony Barnette – Jennifer Steelman's brother, Multiple Sclerosis.

Bobby Bengle – friend of Chester Rainwater, Frye ICU with a brain tumor.

Wayne Burton – working in Iraq.

Frances Cannon – Gloria Burkhalter's aunt, is under Hospice care, prayers for her family are requested.

Jane Cannon – Gloria Burkhalter's mother, Lupus.

Annie Cay – Johnnie Breland's grandmother.

Toni Cay – Johnnie Breland's aunt.

Terre (Mrs. Dennis) Conner – Brooks Ave., Raleigh, is being treated for a return of cancer. Prayers are requested.

Marsha Cooper – Florida friend of Linda F. & Eadie.

Hilton Green – Friend of Mary Nell, Lymphoma.

Betty Hamilton – came home from the hospital 8/19. She and her daughter, **Sandy Hauser** need our prayers.

Nancy Hart – Friend of Nancy Belville, Bone Marrow Stem Cell Transplant.

Rusty Hughes – Retta's brother-in-law, ALS.

Sue Ellen Hunter – Donna Davis' first cousin.

Ken Jernigan – David's dad.

Lela Jgerenaia and her war torn country, Georgia.

Mae Killian – Steve's mother

Kathleen Kirby – skin biopsies were scheduled for August 21.

Clarence Posey – Dick's dad, is having a hard time in rehab and adjusting.

Judy Price – Call or send cards: 3394 Stony Brook Circle, Newton 28658 (704) 462-4650

Chester Rainwater's father – heart disease.

Brenda Senn –Hendersonville.

Mary Smith – Reno, NV

Paul Steagall – Helen Winters brother, cancer, needs prayers.

Roger Teeple – Morganton, continuing health issues.

Merle Townsend, wife of Ron Henry's friend, Ed.

Isaac Walker – grandson of Robert/Leslie Higbee.

Geraldine Ward – lung cancer.

Harvey Wiggins – Bonnie's brother-in-law, Gaston

Memorial Hospital, ICU, not doing well, kidney/lung difficulties. He is going on dialysis.

Mona Wilson – Brooke Heller's grandmother.

Phyllis Winters – is having health problems and asks for prayers for herself and mother Helen who has to help her.

Dr. Ken Yaussey – Burton family doctor.

Dorothy Ziegler.

[God bless those serving in distant lands:](#)

Robert & Regina Lewis – in Chemitz, Germany.

Craig & Theresa Phillips – in Mumbai, India.

Yens Nima & Jesus La Torre – Ilo, Peru. A new report @

www.hickorychurch.org

Scott & Emily Glisson – friends of

the Stephensons, in Uganda.



In the Family...

We still need a Sunday morning teacher for the 2 and 3 year olds and a Wed. night teacher for the 1st through 5th grade.

Senior Friends: the September luncheon will be held Tuesday, 9/9/08, at 11:00A.M. at Jason's Deli on Hwy. #70. Please let Retta know by Monday, 9/8/08, if you plan to attend. All Senior Friends are welcome.

Daughter **Anna Lynn Phillips** was born August 30 to **Teresa and Craig Phillips** in **Mumbai, India**. Vital stats: 7.7 lbs.; 20 inches long. Mother and baby are doing fine! The plan is to visit USA in October.

(Kamy is posting daily updates on Megan to their CaringBridge Journey which is linked on the front page of our site: www.hickorychurch.org. Click on the Bibbee family portrait. Here's the first one after surgery.)

M*egan's surgery is done!!!! --- and it went very well! Thanks to EVERYONE for you praying today...we can't say enough how much we appreciate that. Today we have felt surrounded by love and filled with peace that only can come from God. THANK YOU!!!!*

We have known Megan's surgeon since Megan was born...he is a Christian and we have talked many times about our faith --- and we told him this morning that people from all different places were praying for him today --- and he said, "I need that! I not only think that is appropriate, it is essential!"

They actually took Megan back early --- and they were able to start the surgery about 11:40am ...and they gave us updates every hour or so. Megan did very well throughout the entire surgery. The whole thing took a little more than six hours...but by about 7:00pm she was up in the ICU.

The doctor came and talked to us after the surgery and said he was very pleased with how Megan did --- in fact, he was so pleased with how the rod placement and the bone grafts went that he thinks we'll be able to go home with NO BACK BRACE! We originally thought she would have to keep wearing her back brace for a few months --- but he thinks it's very possible we'll be able to go home without it. That's good news.

She is still on the ventilator and she'll stay in the ICU pretty much completely out of it tonight -- this way she can get plenty of pain meds and they can support her breathing for the night. Then tomorrow we'll work on getting her off of the ventilator --- once she is off, we'll move to a regular room. The plan is to stay at the hospital 7-10 days.

Again, thank you for praying --- we ask you to please continue praying for Megan. She has several more difficult days ahead...but we are so thankful for how she has done today.

*We love you all with the love of the Lord --- **Kamy and Kevin***