

Welcome	Keith Fox
Song Leader	Murray Davis
Speaker	Dan Hammitt
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 Hickory Church of Christ

loves to have **Visitors!**

Leia DeWald	Hickory
Jim & Vickie Dillingham	Nashville TN
Donna Garrard	Prattville AL
Sanford Garrard	Frederick MD
Jerry Kirk	Columbia TN
Jason & Jill White, Nick, Sadie	Hickory

(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 9/28/2008
83	Sunday School	58
125	Assembly	107
46	Wednesday	30
\$3,211	Contribution	\$2,949
.73/week (68)	Web visitors, total (unique)	294/week (152)
3773 (3531)	Total year to date	10,953 (8300)

Happy Birthday

6 th	Juanita Bingham	
8 th	Eloise Burton	
8 th	Elijah Breland	
9 th	Debbie Killian	
9 th	Tammy Breland	
10 th	Nolan Henry	
10 th	D Bingham	
10 th	Bryce Hull	
12 th	Rik Covalinski	

Happy Anniversary

10th Rob & Susan Singleton (3rd)

Have news, comments, **pictures** for the bulletin?
Your input is most welcome!
Email the editor: rbelville@hickorychurch.org

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- Keith Fox ☎ 322-2121
- Ron Henry ☎ 256-8437
- Steve Killian ☎ 256-9142
- Jim Valentine ☎ 328-6446

For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. ³ When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! ⁴ But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; ⁵ for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. ⁶ So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; ⁷ for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. ⁸ But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. ⁹ For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁰ who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. ¹¹ Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

1 Thess. 5²⁻¹¹

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		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:](#)

Brayden Killian – Steve and Debbie's 6 month old grandson is in Asheville Mission ICU for an MRI and other tests. Prayers requested.

Breanne Baudinot – chemo treatment to begin soon, possibly as soon as 10/8, in Johnson City TN.

Danny Nesbitt – Kristi Stephenson's dad in Austell GA. October 8th he's to have a new type of defibrillator "installed". His heart is functioning at only 15%. If all goes well, he will spend one night in the hospital.

Judy Price – chemo treatment has been difficult. Judy needed 2 units of blood this week.

David Hunnicutt, nephew of the **Poseys** – headed to Afghanistan on covert assignment. Prayers requested.

James Stanley – requests prayers for his family. James has been out of work for some time straining the family in multiple ways.

Megan Bibbee – and all her family. <http://www.caringbridge.org/visit/bibbee>

Kathleen Kirby – faces 30-35 more radiation treatments for skin cancer spreading from her nose to her eye.

Linda Sumner – chemotherapy continues. Linda returns to Winston 10/9.

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

Georgia Adcox – recovering from a fall.

Tony Barnette – Jennifer Steelman's brother, MS.

Bobby Bengle – a brain tumor.

Eloise Burton – Treated for heart problems.

Wayne Burton – working in Iraq.

Frances Cannon – Hospice care.

Jane Cannon – Lupus.

Kim Chete – health and employment challenges.

(Kim posted prayer request @ www.hickorychurch.org.)

Terre (Mrs. Dennis) Conner – Return of cancer.

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

Hilton Green – Friend of Mary Nell, Lymphoma.

Betty Hamilton – and her daughter,

Sandy Hauser – need our prayers.

Nancy Hart – Friend of Nancy Belville.

Rusty Hughes – Retta's brother-in-law, ALS. "We pray that he will not be in pain and that he will leave this earth peacefully."

Sue Ellen Hunter – Donna Davis' first cousin.

Ken Jernigan – David's dad.

Clarence Posey – Dick's dad.

Ruth Preece – has cancer. Prayers for her are requested by Thelma Gibson.

Chester Rainwater's father – heart disease.

Robert Reagan, friend of Craig Phillips.

Adriana Romano – is a 15 month old with MRSA infection. (Ann Henry has details.)

Brenda Senn – Hendersonville.

Mary Smith – Reno, NV

Steve Smith – of Raleigh, Barbara Pannell's step brother, is being treated for cancer.

Paul Steagall – Helen Winters brother, cancer.

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.

Mona Wilson – Brooke Heller's grandmother.

Dr. Ken Yaussey – Burton family doctor.

Dorothy Ziegler.

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

Robert & Regina Lewis – Chemitz, Germany.

Craig, Theresa & little Anna Lynn Phillips – Mumbai, India.

Yens Nima & Jesus La Torre – Ilo, Peru.

In the Family...

Annual Killian Hayride and Fall Wienie Roast – Saturday, October 11, ~5:00 P.M.

(**Barbara Gnann** plans to attend the **Fall Singing & BBQ** at **Palmetto Bible Camp**, also **Oct. 11**. Contact her if you'd like to go.)

Northeast Catawba Action Team will have a soup, sandwich, salad lunch and meeting after services at the building on **Sunday, October 19**. Any other dishes anyone wishes to bring, such as casseroles, desserts, drinks, etc., are fine also.

"**A Worthy Vessel**" The **Lenoir Church of Christ Ladies' Day**. Saturday, November 1, 9:00–2:00 at their building. Ladies should inquire and RSVP to **Sara Stone** 728.3524 or our **Ernestine Harris** 728.2338.

1 Timothy 3^{14–16}

The Mystery of Our Religion

I hope to come to you soon, but I am writing these instructions to you so that, ¹⁵ if I am delayed, you may know how one ought to behave in the household of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and bulwark of the truth. ¹⁶ Without any doubt, the mystery of our religion is great:

He was revealed in flesh,
vindicated in spirit,
seen by angels,

proclaimed among Gentiles,
believed in throughout the world,
taken up in glory.

NRSV

1 Timothy 3^{14–16}

I hope to visit you soon, but just in case I'm delayed, I'm writing this letter so you'll know how things ought to go in God's household, this God-alive church, bastion of truth. This Christian life is a great mystery, far exceeding our understanding, but some things are clear enough:

He appeared in a human body,
was proved right by the invisible Spirit,
was seen by angels.

He was proclaimed among all kinds of peoples,
believed in all over the world,
taken up into heavenly glory.

The Message