

"Psalms, Hymns, & Spiritual Songs" Murray Davis
 ("PB" designates our Praise Book)

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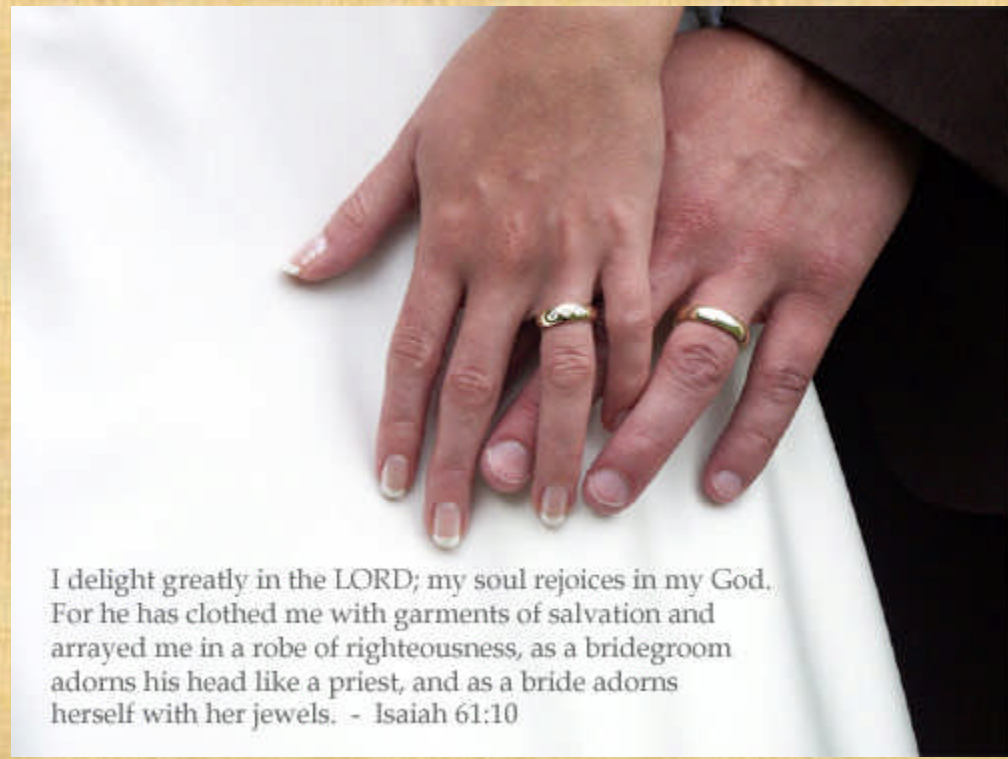
Pass Communion & Collection Plates:
 Blake & Jonathan Eckard, Ron & Carl Henry
...to the Nursery: Bryce Hull
Nursery today: Sabina Fox and Samantha Hall
next week: Kristen Killian and Hannah Watkins

2011/2012 averages	Last Week
69/73 Sunday School	72
110/120 Assembly	118
51/62 Wednesday	
\$2,863/ \$2,966 Contribution (~ \$4000 meets our Expenses w/o an office building tenant)	\$2,441.50

9:30 Sunday
Adults: "Living Jesus" auditorium Bob Belville
Young Adults (ages 19-29) office building Joe Hall
Grades 7-12: Nancy Posey & Amanda Farris
Grades 4-6: education wing Carl Henry
Grades 1-3: education wing Patsy Yoder
Ages 4-5: education wing Debbie Killian
Ages 2&3: education wing Tonya Osborne
Birth thru age 2 education wing Barbara Gnann
 (& we care for special needs children at both hours)
1:15 Wednesday
L.I.M.E. Ladies Class: "That You May Believe" Casandra Martin.
 lower level Nancy Posey
7:00 Wednesday
Adults: Peter lower level Foyle Perkins
Adults: "I Knew Jesus Before He Was a Christian"
 auditorium Bob Belville
Teens Kevin Bibbee & Tori Steelman
Grades 1-6 Bryan McDermott & Murray Davis
Preschool Kamy Bibbee

Happy Birthday this week:
 Today 16 Theresa Watkins
 Monday 17 Olivia Rice
 Tuesday 18 Bonnie Wiggins & Jerry Yoder
 Saturday 22 Phyllis Winters
Happy Anniversary:
 Thursday 20 John & Ann Stasny (15)

The Parable of the Wedding Banquet
Matthew 22 Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: ² "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. ³ He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. ⁴ Again he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.' ⁵ But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, ⁶ while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. ⁷ The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. ⁸ Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. ⁹ Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' ¹⁰ Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.
¹¹ "But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, ¹² and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. ¹³ Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' ¹⁴ For many are called, but few are chosen."



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Sunday School 9:30; Assembly 10:30; Wednesday 7:00
 Pantry distribution: 1st & 3rd Tuesdays 4:30-6:30
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"...let him call the **elders** of the church..." James 5¹⁴
 Ron Henry ☎256-8437 Steve Killian ☎256-9142 Keith Fox ☎322-2121 Bob Belville ☎221-0356

Post your prayer requests or download our current prayer list @ www.hickorychurch.org or use the back of a visitor card.

...pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. James 5¹⁶

Sympathy:

Foyle Perkins asks for prayers for his Mother and Aunt in the death of his **Uncle Ray Buckner**. The funeral is in Thomasville on Friday and the burial is Saturday in Mars Hill, NC.

Special Prayers This Week:

Mandy Weather's co-worker was severely burned (over 75% of her face and body) and is ICU.

Jonathan Mayhue served with the National Guard in Charlotte during the DNC; praise God for his safety. (Correction.)

Teresa Robins gave birth to "Nicolas" Sept 8th. He weighed 8 ½ lbs and was 23 inches long.

Hettie Santymire is recovering from a possible stroke is not having much of an appetite.

Abigale Hughes, Retta's 13-year old granddaughter in Raleigh, will see doctors Monday, Sept. 17 to learn treatment plans for her severe scoliosis. Shootings in Raleigh pre-empted Abigale's doctor's appointment last Monday. Please pray for the families of those affected by the shootings/killings.

Roy Henson seeks prayers for being more thankful.

Ryan Lipford needs continued prayers for ongoing seizures.

Angel Crowe, Mary Nichols' daughter, was injured at work when hit by a client at the care facility where she works in TN.

Odessa McGrady, the Watkins' friend in NY, is hospitalized after having surgery for recently diagnosed cancer.

Tanita Eakins, the Watkins' friend in Durham, has improved to go to rehab, after serious car accident a few weeks ago.

Jennifer Bass, a friend of Kevin and Nancy Boggs and Ron Henry's, was diagnosed with cirrhosis of the liver.

Jean Barnette, Jennifer Steelman's mom, is at Conover Nursing and Rehab, and recovering from several health issues.

Tom Slaughter, AGAPE-NC, is battling cancer. He is speedily training his replacement and praying he has enough time.

Wednesday Prayer Meeting:

Shane Brazell needs prayers, as he goes into Grace Hospital for detox & next into long-term detox in Raleigh.

Please remember **Morgan Bibbee**, for her surgery, in Charlotte on 9/17, to receive an implant to reduce her seizures.

Also remember **Megan Bibbee**, as she has had several seizures since last Sunday.

Bobbi seeks prayers for her Mom's visit with Uncle Bobby next week; it has been 44 years since they were in contact.

Let us remember our sister, **Helen Winters**, while she is unable to get out.

Julie Jernigan needs prayers of encouragement, to get her through a rough time.

Billie Dennie and **Barbara Eddins** are all feeling under the weather this week.

Lucille Woodrum had skin cancer removed from nose and has strict restrictions on her activities.

Tim Stroud had eye surgery Wednesday, both eyes have been treated for retina detachments.

John Stasny asks for prayer for his neighbor, **John**, who is in ICU.

Our Members are Job Seekers (let us know, we'll pray and network!)

Barbara Eckard is looking for ESL teaching positions.

Tony Graham seeks full-time work.

Our shut-ins are not out of our mind or prayers:

Georgia Adcox – Abernathy Center.

Kathleen Kirby – Hickory Manor.

God bless those serving in distant lands:

Robert & Regina Lewis – Chemnitz, Germany.

Craig & Teresa Phillips – Mumbai, India.

Eduardo & Veronica Beltran – Ilo, Peru.

Friends remain in our prayers

(Please keep the editor advised of any condition updates)

Anita Agnew † Casey Allen † John Alwran † Dan Anderson † Nancy Anderson † David Barnes † Roger Bass † James Belcher † Paul Berton † David Bierce † Jim Birdwell † Madeline Blau † Michael Boggs † Mary Bolch † Eric & Carrie Bowen † Kathy Brookshire † Evelyn Brown † Jennifer Brown † Paul Brown † Rita Burns † Eloise Burton † Jane Cannon † Joyce Champion † Bart Clements † David Clements † Octavia Cook † Samantha & Sydney Cook † Marsha Cooper † Lincoln Cox † Allie Croft † Tonya Croy † Ry Darby † Lisa Deal † Eva Dellinger † Billie Dennie † Kevin Dill † Art Duncan † Tina Duncan † Hugh Fields † Curtis Forbes † Marie Forrester † Desiree & Ramae Foster † Tammy Fox † Kathy Gamble † Audra Gibson † Ernestine Gibson † Mary Bell Gouge † Norma Jean (Cookie) Green † Patsy Green † Marla Greer † Eric Hadden † Robert Hadden † Jim Hanlon † Heather Harrison † Paul Headrick † Bobbi Henson † Rachael Heater † Jennifer Heavener † Elizabeth Herman † Myra Hill † Ellen Hill † Nancy Hopkins † Shannon Horton † Marc Hull † Susan Hunnicutt † Sandy Kane † Deidre Keller † Sam Kenyon † Dora Knox & her daughter † Debbie Lawing † Serenity Lawrence † Adam Lewis † Tracy Linton † Robert Link † Mike Lipford † Zora Marley † Michael Martin † Valerie McCala † Gary McLean † Marsha McNeely † Patricia Meadows † Cheryl Miller † Ellen Miller † Carol Monk † Paul Moody † Adam Moore † Warren Newberry † Jerry Olsen † Mary Jane Patton † Julie Phillips † Eddie Pippin † Ashlyn Pope † Martha Plott † Grady Rector † Daniel Reid † Kayla Revis † Jeff Rikard family † Charlotte Rogers † Kelly Rogers † Hettie Santymire † Brigham Sapp † Mark Schmidt † Sue Sexton † Roger Shanks † Rose Mary Shepherd † Jim Sidbury † Alice Sigmon † Luke Wesley Sigmon † Richard Sigmon † Erin Sipe † Tom Slaughter † Jim & Kathy Smith † Joel & Michelle Smith † Gwen Smith † Michael Smith † Mary Smith † Steve Smith † Tony Smith † Marsha Speigle † Nate Steele † Mike Stroud † Tim Stroud † Jim Teague & family † Joyce Thompson † Debbie Tucker † Frank Tucker † Jim Valentine † Isaac Walker † Jack Warner † Ben Watson † Melissa Johnson-White † Elaine Whitlock † Bobby Whitt † Faye Jean Wiggins † Kyler Wilfong † Ted Wilfong † Sam Wilfong † Helen & Phyllis Winters † Joyce Wright

ALL IN THE FAMILY...

- ☞ A Big **Thank You!** to all involved in "**Serve the Servants**"
- ☞ Newly designed HCoC T-shirts can be ordered for delivery before our family retreat. "**Imperfect People**" design similar to previous VBS. See bulletin board. \$10.
- ☞ Kevin Bibbee is collecting size 1 or 2 diapers, socks and wipes for **Nicolas** who was born last Saturday to Teresa Robins.

September:

- ☞ **16th Today, ~ 11:45:** Congregational meeting to outline new Action Teams and Small Group Bible studies.
- ☞ **16th Today, 6:00 Lads to Leaders worship and training session.**
- ☞ **21-22, Cary Church of Christ Youth Rally, "Worlds Colliding".**
- ☞ **22th 9:00** NE Catawba Action Team @ Conover Farmers' Market Annual BBQ Fundraiser. See Kevin Bibbee — helpers are needed.
- ☞ **28-30, Family Retreat @ Carolina Bible Camp with Flavio Uribe** of Bogotá Columbia. see Foyle Perkins for details and to sign-up.

October:

- ☞ **5-7 Marriage Enrichment Workshop Facilitator Training:** see Percil or Theresa Watkins.
- ☞ **20th Saturday, 4:00: Hay Ride and Wiener Roast** at the **Killian** home.

We have MP3 audio from over 250 classes at Pepperdine Bible Lectures, 2012! See Bob for help with access.