

NORTH HAMILTON CHURCH OF CHRIST



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Minister's Office Hours:

Monday through Thursday, 9:00a.m. – 3:00p.m.

Bible Classes	9:30 A.M.	Worship	10:30 A.M.
Sunday Evening	6:00 P.M.	Wednesday	7:00 P.M.

“Abstinence, Sexuality and Marriage (Part 2 of 2)”

David B. Smith

Continued from last week....

2. We must teach our children that the world's view of sex is not Biblical. Remember, we said last week that media coverage of the topic is terrible. Sexuality is treated from a selfish, humanistic worldview. And it is because of this that women and men are typically viewed as objects instead of precious souls made by a holy and loving Creator. There is no

Last Week's Attendance

Bible Class: 95

Worship: 148

Sunday PM: 91

Wednesday: 101

Sunday's Sermons

AM: Victory in Jesus

PM: Questions & Answers

Men to Serve

AM: Opening Prayer – Larry Nave

Announcements – Joel Laney

PM: Opening Prayer – Jack Smith

Closing Prayer – Chris Randolph

Wednesday: Opening – Carroll Oxford

Closing – Art Greer

All week: Lock Building – Josh Elsea

Hall Monitor – David Griffith

(Men, please check the duty roster on bulletin board and let Curt Stewart, Harold Birch, or George Farmer know if you are unable to serve)

If you have information or updates for the bulletin, please email them to our secretary at nhcocsec@gmail.com

Prayer List

Additional information is available on the bulletin board.

James Anderson

Bill Greer

Jeff McClain

Nancy Birch

Kathy Hamilton

Tony Miller

Gladys Blanks

Olivia Hamrick

Connie Richardson

Marjorie Cagle

Susie Hargis

Carlos Shannon

Riley Dennis

Janice Johnson

Janice Smith

Gene Frazier

Grayson Ledbetter

Diane Stacy

Sara Grasham

Judy Lusk

Mark Wheeler

Tina Margroff

Barbara Barclay, David Lawson's mother, was admitted to the hospital with heart trouble this week and, after some tests, it was determined that she needed a stent placed to alleviate her symptoms.

Many children of our number have been down with various illnesses including flu, strep, colds, and ear infections. Remember **Joceline Lowman, Stephen Jackson, Carolina Herron, Macy Tripp, Ivy Anderson, Caleb Qualls** and certainly others in your prayers this week.

Announcements

- Our first **Quarterly Fellowship Meal** of 2019 will be next Sunday morning, February 10th, after our morning service. Plan now to bring a dish to share and spend time with your brothers and sisters.
- Our **Thursday School** program is in need of a few on-call substitute teachers who can be ready to fill in on occasion when one of our regular teachers unavailable. If you are called on, it is a small commitment of just three hours. If you are willing to assist, please see Erica Anderson.

February's Birthdays & Anniversaries

Copies of the February calendar are available on the table in the foyer

Birthdays

- 10 – Debbie Summers
- 11 – Ashley Smith
Tommy Qualls
- 12 – Vickie Rector
- 13 – Edna Scarbrough
- 17 – Amy Qualls
- 18 – Abby Fridell
Glen Jones
- 19 – Ken Wilson
Tommy Douglas
- 23 – Curtis Horn
- 24 – Doris Perry
Phil Phillips
- 28 – Sissy Jones

Anniversaries

- 20 – John & Gladys Blanks
- 24 – Glen & Marcia Jones

question about the pleasure in human sexuality; God made it to be (Prov. 5:19), but we must remember there is a difference in the pleasures of sin, that only last a season (Heb. 11:25-26), and in the joys that are found in God's order of things. Listen to God, not the world.

3. We must teach our children to avoid situations that encourage pre-marital sexual behavior. Even children that have been taught correctly can find themselves caving to pressure in the wrong situation. Friends matter (1 Cor. 15:33). And it also matters who our children date (Prov. 5:20). People that do not share a Biblical worldview also do not share God's view on sexuality. This is why rules and standards are necessary. For example, do children understand the potential harm of sitting alone with a date in a parked car at night? Let's teach our children to understand how raging hormones in the wrong situation can lead to a lifetime of regret. On the same note, the way we dress matters greatly. Revealing and tight clothing adds to sexual pressure and causes temptation. If we are teaching our children to say "no" to sexual pressure, then let us not allow them to dress as if they are saying "yes."

4. We must encourage open and honest communication for our children within the family. Parents have the responsibility to teach their children (Eph. 6:1-4), and if they won't do it the world certainly will. The relationship between the mother and father is perhaps the most important factor for children. In this relationship, they are observing our application of the Bible. At least, they should be a witness to it. Do they see the affection between their mom and dad? Do mom and dad respect each other, speak kindly to each other, show public affection for each other, and make time for each other? Children will learn through this that sexuality is not the basis of a healthy relationship, but part of the communication within marriage. Sex is not a dirty subject. God made it, so why should we ever be ashamed of it? But we should be the ones teaching our children. Let children ask questions. Give them loving and biblical answers. Look for opportunities to teach. Parents should train as well as listen to the concerns of their children.

In the end, the world may find it strange that someone could remain a virgin beyond their adolescence. We do not think it strange at all. In fact, it is God's plan that people save themselves for marriage. Let us be diligent to help our children follow this path, so that they will experience the joys of listening to God. After all, He made male and female (and marriage) and knows what is best.