

# *NORTH HAMILTON CHURCH OF CHRIST*



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## **October 13, 2019**

### **Elders**

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### **Minister**

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### **Deacons**

Joe Anderson

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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.**

**“No More Sickness”  
David B. Smith**

We knew when school started this year, that at some point, Evie Rose would catch a bug from someone. There are far too many kids around each other for it not to happen. Sure enough, she picked up something just before the start of her fall break and—by Tuesday night of this last week—was feeling the full effects. She was already heavily congested, but had a difficult time going to sleep due to the excessive coughing – even violet coughing at times. As a

## **Men to Serve**

AM: Opening Prayer – Bob Newsom	Announcements – Willard Elsea
PM: Opening Prayer – Joel Laney	Closing Prayer – Tom Greer
Wed: Opening Prayer – Terry Pursley	Closing Prayer – Bob Doak
All week: Lock Building – Brad Jones	Hall Monitor – George Farmer
(Men, please check the duty roster on bulletin board and let Curt Stewart or George Farmer know if you are unable to serve)	

**If you have information or updates for the bulletin, please  
e-mail them to our secretary at [nhcocsec@gmail.com](mailto:nhcocsec@gmail.com)**

## **Prayer List**

*Additional information is available on the bulletin board.*

James Anderson	Tommie Grandfield	Lexi Owens
Patricia Anthony	Sarah Grasham	Carlos Shannon
Jim Bethune	Bill Greer	Leon Smartt
Nancy Birch	Susie Hargis	Janice Smith
Gladys Blanks	Grayson Ledbetter	Bessie Smithson
Jennifer Bradford	Loretta Leffew	Johnny Southerland
Marjorie Cagle	Judy Lusk	Diane Stacy
Isaac Cooper	Tony Miller	John Webster

## **This Week's Birthdays and Anniversaries**

*. The calendar for next month is on the table in the foyer.  
Please check that your family's November birthdays and anniversaries are correct and included.*

### **Birthdays**

13 – Joe Anderson  
14 – Chris Courtney  
            Debbie Smith  
16 – Susie Hargis  
17 – Alayna Courtney

### **Anniversaries**

15 – Ben & Kelsey Battles  
17 – George & Patricia Farmer

## Announcements

- **Sunday Services:** Sunday's services will be just a bit unusual from our normal morning. Due a death in the family, our scheduled speaker will not be able to be here. We will instead show the DVD of Don Blackwell's presentation before several thousand in attendance at this year's Polishing the Pulpit in August. Not only is it scripturally sound, it is also very inspiring.
- **Share our Blessings:** As a congregation we have been truly blessed and have opportunities to share our blessings with those less fortunate. We have listed three ways available to us to assist those needing our help:
  - The food truck from **Tennessee Children's Home** will be here on Wednesday, November 13. Rick says that we are running a little behind what we normally collect by this time. Check the list on needed items on the bulletin board in the north hallway or give money to Rick, allowing his to purchase the items.
  - Jimmie Ruth Wilson is now taking supplies to the **Tumor Clinic** every month. Their patients are those with cancer that cannot afford treatment elsewhere. In the south hallway, there is a cart with a list of items we can contribute.
  - Paulette Oxford takes **hygiene packs** to be distributed to students needing assistance. This is again a worthy cause allowing North Hamilton to reach out and help those needing such help. There is also a cart in the south hallway with a list of items we can bring.

## Upcoming Events

*Additional information is available on the bulletin board.*

- **October 13-16:** Gospel Meeting at St. Elmo with David Pharr as the speaker. 7:00 PM each evening.
- **October 19:** Fall Festival at Mountain Creek, 6-8 PM
- **October 20-23:** Spiritual Sword Lectureship at the Getwell congregation in Memphis
- **October 20-23:** Gospel Meeting at the Riverbend congregation in Dalton. 7 PM each evening with speaker Michael Shepherd.
- **October 26:** Our annual Block Party and Trunk-or-Treat. Start bringing bags of individually wrapped candies now!
- **November 2:** Youth Rally at Mountain Creek, 10 AM - 2 PM

parent, it is incredibly difficult to hear your babies struggle for breath in a coughing fit. Their cries break your heart, especially when you feel like you can't do much more than help them to bear through it.

In times like these, we find it easy to think about the better days in heaven. How can we not? When good and faithful servants of God, like Gladys or Susie, struggle so much with their health, we often find ourselves thinking of the better life we will have in eternity. This is exactly what Paul was doing for the saints in Corinth. He wrote:

“*We are* hard-pressed on every side, yet not crushed; *we are* perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed—always carrying about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our body....Therefore we do not lose heart. Even though our outward man is perishing, yet the inward *man* is being renewed day by day. For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, is working for us a far more exceeding *and* eternal weight of glory, while we do not look at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen. For the things which are seen *are* temporary, but the things which are not seen *are* eternal” (2 Cor. 4:8-9, 16-18).

He was affirming the truth that life is hard. In fact, it is very hard sometimes. Whether persecution or sickness or the death of loved ones, we are reminded of our frailty every day. We are just “water spilled on the ground” (2 Sam. 14:14). And if not for the fact that there is something better waiting, then life here would be robbed of any joy.

But there is a day coming when we won’t struggle with our bodies anymore. The mortal puts on immortality (1 Cor. 15:54). So even though the outward man is perishing—and it’s especially difficult for us to see the people we love go through it—there is something better that far exceeds what we could possibly understand at this moment. I hate when my kids are sick. I hate even more that God’s children have to struggle with cancer. But I am thankful that there is a confident expectation that this will never exist in heaven.

“And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, no sorrow, nor crying; and there shall be no more pain” (Rev. 21:8).