

Our Christian Example

The story is told of a Christian high school senior who was honored as one of the best and brightest in his community because he provided a forceful demonstration of integrity.

When his school team was given the word “auditorium” in a regional spelling bee, he glanced down to ponder his response and noticed that the word was printed on the microphone stand. He called this to the attention of the judges who responded with a more difficult word. The young man did what he knew was right whether others noticed or not.

We don’t know when our actions may become an example to others — we’re always on display. But if we live each day to honor Jesus, our behavior will model His righteous life (Gal. 2:20; 1 John 2:5-6), no matter who is watching.

Uprightness and honor should be goals for Christians of every age. Paul told Timothy:

“Let no one despise your youth, but be an example to the believers in word, in conduct, in love, in spirit, in faith, in purity” (1 Timothy 4:12 NKJV).

As Christians, one of our goals in life should be to change the world around us for good while never compromising ourselves — one person at a time (Acts 10:38 NKJV; cf. 2 Timothy 2:1-2 NKJV; 1 Timothy 4:16 NKJV).

O to be like Thee! blessed Redeemer,
This is my constant longing and prayer;
Gladly I’ll forfeit all of earth’s treasures,
Jesus, Thy perfect likeness to wear.
O to be like Thee! O to be like Thee,
Blessed Redeemer, pure as Thou art;
Come in Thy sweetness, come in Thy fullness;
Stamp Thine own image deep on my heart. —W.J. Kirkpatrick

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In Our Thoughts & Prayers



Kay Anderson, Travis Bell, Carol Bessman, Fred Bukowich, Kim Cable, Vera Cornell, Lee Crabtree, Tammy Crawford, Don Deffenbaugh, Kathy Friend, Beth Foster, Joe and Teresa Freund, Pete Griffin, Glen Honeycutt, Molly Jackson Shanna Kraft (Cheryl's daughter), Millie Lyons, Pam McMahan, Sherry Merrill, Mebyl Privett, Brandon Ross (Debi's grandson), Harold Speir, Edith Toney, Ken Tyler.

We express our sympathy to Josh King and his family. His grandfather, Wayne King, died last week at 100 years of age.

 **Every "One" Counts:** When you give an extra dollar each Sunday, it goes to help someone in need. If you know someone in need, please contact Jennifer Daniels or Natalie McInturff. In 2022, we provided over **\$9500** in funds for those in need in our community.

Devo and Donuts is taking a break along with the schools. It will resume on January 10. 

If you can't be here when we **worship**, visit our website, Facebook page or YouTube channel to join us live or to catch up on what you missed.

Challenge Youth Conference is in Dallas on January 13-15.

Thursday morning **ladies' Bible class** will begin January 12. If you plan to participate, see Danny to get a copy of Cecil May's book on the providence of God.

Men's Breakfast will be Thursday at 7:00 at Braum's. Join your brothers for food and fellowship.

Please update your **directory entry** in the foyer.

Today's Sermons



A.M.: *David in the Spirit*
(Psalm 110, Danny Boggs)

P.M.: *Keep It Going*
(2 Tim. 2:1-2, Danny Boggs)

We saw **growth** in several different areas this past year.

- We welcomed new babies: Bennett Anderson, Indie Murray, Lexi Fehring, Emmett Keith.
- We had baptisms: Dakota Miller, Savannah McCready, Liam Hayes, Cooper James, Conner Reiboldt, Taylor Moreland.
- We gained members: Edith Toney, Lisa Toney, and Lee Crabtree; Wendy Bertram; Mary Norman; Jonathan and Laurel Pendergraft; Maddy Collinsworth; Randy, April, Lexie, and Ellana Kidd; Cheryl Langley; Larry and Vickey Owens.

We made **building improvements** last year: new carpet, pews were reupholstered and cushioned backrests were added, new tables and chairs in children's classrooms, new security cameras, new ice maker and general repairs throughout the building.

We supported **missions** in Honduras, Africa, India, Singapore and the United States. One mission trip was made to Africa and two to Honduras

*We would all like to thank everyone at NCS and especially the congregation at Hillcrest Church of Christ for their blessings and generosity during the holidays. It has been very helpful to us. Also, I would like to thank Mr. Murray, for he has been a blessing in disguise for Aaron and that in itself is appreciated a lot. Hope everyone at Hillcrest Church and NCS has a safe, blessed and a Merry Christmas. Thank you. **McAnally Family***

*Thank you for your kind generosity this holiday season. As we begin the transplant journey with its many ups and downs, this act of kindness was such a blessing. **Jim & Bethany McKinzie***

*Dear Church Family,
Thank you for the lovely plant, cards, messages and visits after the sudden passing of Kourtney. It is comforting to have a loving church family at a time like this. In Him,*

Taylor and Victoria Keith and Family

I shall always be eternally grateful for the many kindnesses shown to me during my recent health issues. From the visits, quilt, cards, 12 Days of Christmas, phone calls, but most of all the prayers of the congregation, I believe I am finally on the mend. Thank you all so very, very much!

Kathy Friend

We are always humbled by your generosity toward our family at Christmas time. Thank you so much. "I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy" (Phil. 1:3-4).

Danny & Jessica Boggs

Thank you for your generosity to Bethany, Wendy, and me this holiday and throughout the year! Our cup overflows.

Caleb Boggs

WORSHIP LEADERS

Today	This Wednesday
AM Opening Prayer: Ethan Murray	Announcements: Harold Speir
AM Closing Prayer: Eli Giebler	Singing: Casey Flint
Communion Prayers: Jason Bryan	Invitation: Zane Berner
PM Opening Prayer: Jared Hyder	Opening Prayer: Dakota Miller
PM Closing Prayer: Jackson Collinsworth	Closing Prayer: Bob Murray

RECORDS	12-25-22	12-26-21
Bible Study	snow	135
AM Worship	132	195
PM Worship	snow	121
Wednesday	121	145
Contribution	\$8,020.44	\$9,518.26
Budget	\$8,250.00	\$8,000.00