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Setting our minds on things above, not on earthly things... -- Col 3:2

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Sunday Worship 10:00 A.M. Sunday Evening Services 6:00 P.M. Tuesday Home Bible Study . 7:00 P.M. Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 P.M.



ELDERS Don Ross Keith Carmichael

DEACONS

Rick Hill - Treasurer/Finance Barry Bullock - Benevolence Kyle Adkins - Education/Worship/Youth Sean Langston - Building & Grounds

Urgent announcements are made via email and snow closings will be posted on KCTV 5. Routine notices and events posted on Facebook and email/text...



PRAYER	Have we prayed about it as much as we have talked about it?							
AND	The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much James 5:16							
	Our Elders/Deacons	Namikango Mission	Our Nation and its Leaders					
6	Fair Haven Children's Home	R & T Ministries	GV Door of Hope					
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and the set	MILITARY MEMBERS	Gage Gunter	Zachary Gunter					
	Additional Prayer Needs on Bulletin Insert							
REQUESTS	** Prayer requests can now	be made and acknowledged on our church web page						

Welcome... to the worship and Christian fellowship of the Clinton church of Christ. If you are visiting with us today, know that your presence is an encouragement to us. May we all be blessed of God!!

- Our date for singing at Truman Lake Manor has come up!! We will be meeting there at 4:00 PM this afternoon. We have the opportunity to serve God and others in praise and the encouraging of one another. You will be blessed in your participation, come, join us!

- Clinton Ladies Day is rapidly approaching with Sister Jane Maynard speaking on the theme of "Pray Without Ceasing". We are also planning to help her in a Ghana mission trip this year and will be providing vegetable seeds and eyeglasses to take with here for those in need there.

- Henry County Big Brothers/Big Sisters has a flyer posted on the bulletin board in the foyer.

- We are beginning preparations for VBS this summer and might well be meeting this morning for setting a date and to present possible topics or themes.

- SAVE THE DATE!! Put April 12, 13, 14 in your schedule for we have scheduled Brother Joe Bright for our spring Meeting and he will be addressing **The Growing Church**. You are highly encouraged to make this a priority as we consider how we can serve as God's people in the Golden Valley!

- Our Friday morning breakfast bible study is examining Parables in Luke and it has been guite an

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When You Lead

by Rubel Shelly

Have you ever seen a leadership position ruin someone? (Please be aware **N E** that I am distinguishing

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actual leadership from merely holding a position that implies leadership - president, CEO, pastor, parent, etc.) I've seen more than one person work creatively and industriously to get a promotion to a leadership position, only to watch that same person fail miserably for the lack of both creativity and industry. What happens in those situations?

Maybe people fail as leaders because of their failure to understand that authentic leadership is always for the sake of others.

When Joseph was elevated to the position of Prime Minister in Egypt, he was second only to the Pharaoh himself. He did not take his superior position to be for his own benefit. First for the sake of the Egyptian people and ultimately to save his family - and thus the Jewish-Messianic line - Joseph understood that his elevation to high position was not for his sake but for others.

Then there is the case of Moses. He was not rescued and adopted into the court of Pharaoh to live in luxury. He was there to learn the ways of Egypt in order to be Yahweh's instrument of deliverance for his people from bondage.

Apostles such as Peter, James, and John could understand leadership even better. They had the personal example of Jesus before them. "The Son of Man came not to be served," he explained, "but to serve others and to give his life as a ransom for many" (Matthew 20:28 NLT). Thus his earliest disciples were committed to the instruction, mentoring, and empowerment of others.

Where did we go wrong? Who misled pastors and teachers of the church to think they deserved perks rather than suffering for Christ's sake? Who hoodwinked Christian leaders in business and the professions to think they were "making the big bucks" to get more toys than someone else rather than to make life better for the people following them? Who convinced us that leadership is about bossing people, when it is actually about blessing them?

Whoever is looking for you to lead your family, workplace, or church has the right to expect you to guide rather than exploit, teach instead of intimidate, and protect rather than mistreat. Certainly, you will be expected to achieve the company's goals. It is appropriate for you to prosper from hard work. And there is nothing wrong with being recognized for your achievements. But the ultimate goal, effort, and achievement is to be God's instrument for helping others.

Citizens of the Kingdom of God live for the sake of serving God's calling on their lives to improve the world others around them must inhabit.



ORDER OF SERVICE

Call to Worship Song

Scripture Reading

Opening Prayer

Song Service

Communion

Song of Thanks

Offering

Song of Inspiration

Message

Song of Encouragement