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

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Clinton Church of Christ

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Sunday Bible Study 9:00 A.M.

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.

Friday Bible Study 9:00 A.M.



Psalm 119:11



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...





Have we prayed about it as much as we have talked about it?

*The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much... **James 5:16***

Our Elders/Deacons

Namikango Mission

GV Door of Hope

Fair Haven Children's Home

R & T Ministries

Abortion Court Challenges

Our Nation and its Leaders

TRAVELING: Adkins

MILITARY MEMBERS

Zachary Gunter

Additional Prayer Needs on Bulletin Insert

**** 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!!*

- Ladies Get-Together is being planned for June 30th @ 4:00 PM at the building and all the ladies and their daughters are invited. Don't forget to bring a favorite finger food.

- We will have a VBS meeting Jul 7th immediately following our morning worship and we ask you to be here to finalize any details for the day events.

- The 13th of July has been set aside as a work day to help prepare our facilities for the upcoming Super Saturday VBS. Please plan to come and help with projects, cleaning and preparation. We have also prepared a backup date of the 20th of July in the event something prevents us on the 13th.

- We are excited about the new job for our brother Barry Bullock and having him back in the community on a more regular basis. Congratulations and Godspeed on your new position as a victim advocate with Henry County.

- A suggestion was made that we consider a t-shirt for our Super Saturday VBS. If you would be interested in this possibility, let one of the elders or brother Nolan know. A possible design is in the works and should be ready within just a day or so...

- Can change for children... A reminder to those who have cans,

THOSE Serving...

to be dropping in their change. We will collect after summer is over to deliver them to Fair Haven.

	<i>This Week</i>	<i>Next Week</i>
Announcements	Keith Carmichael	Don Ross
Scripture Reading	Barry Bullock	Joshua Bullock
AM Song Leader	Sean Langston	Keith Carmichael
Opening Prayer	Done Ross	Rick Hill
Closing Prayer	Keith Carmichael	Don Ross
Lord's Table Lead	Joshua Bullock	Wayne Nance
Lord's Table Assist	Kyle Carmichael	Don Ross
Lord's Table Assist	OPEN	OPEN
PM Song Leader	Sean Langston	Keith Carmichael
Opening Prayer	Wayne Nance	Mark Andrews
Closing Prayer	OPEN	OPEN
PM Speaker	Nolan Rutter	Nolan Rutter
Wed. Opening Prayer	Barry Bullock	Nola Rutter
Wed. Closing Prayer	Joshua Bullock	Don Ross

- Our Friday morning breakfast bible study is reviewing "Living a Life That Matters" and is open to any who would be able to attend. Let brother Nolan know if you would be interested in attending, we have a couple of extra study books!!

Don't forget our Bible Study Opportunities

- *Sunday morning @ 9:00 AM*

- *Sunday evening @ 6:00 PM*

- *Tuesday Home Study (Summer Break)*

- *Wednesday Bible Study @ 7:00 PM*

- *Friday Morning @ 9:00 AM*

I Was Mistaken about Thanksgiving

For the Week of December 2, 2013

by Rubel Shelly



It was almost 20 years ago that I wrote a short piece about Thanksgiving Day and titled it "The Unmessupable Holiday." I'm not sure the adjective I used is even a real word. But it was coined (or usurped!) to communicate an idea.

In a word, the point of the little 400-word piece was that Thanksgiving had somehow avoided being spoiled by things that have "messed up" other major holidays in our culture. Christmas has become Santa, not Jesus; July 4 has morphed into beer and fireworks, not freedom and patriotism; and so forth. Boy, was I wrong! Or, if I was right then, it is no longer true!

Here is a quote from that essay: "Thanksgiving seems to have escaped the worst of holiday pilferage. It does not have the commercialism of Christmas or the drinking-party atmosphere of lesser holidays. It seems still to focus people on the positive things in their lives, to draw families together for meals and conversation, and even to generate prayers that acknowledge God as the generous giver of life's best things."

Thanksgiving Day 2013 surely failed to live up to that ideal. It was manhandled into a tasteless commercial affair. The CEO of WalMart was on early-morning television to defend it. And thousands of clerks, cashiers, and stockers had to report for work rather than gather with their families around a Thanksgiving table.

No less than the *Wall Street Journal* ran a weekend piece by Peggy Noonan that lamented the phenomenon. "[Thanksgiving] is the day the Pilgrims invented to thank God to live in such a place as this, the day Abe Lincoln formally put aside as a national time of gratitude for the sheer fact of our continuance," she wrote. "It's more important than anyone's bottom line. That's a hopelessly corny thing to say, isn't it? Too bad. It's true."

Nordstrom and T.J. Maxx, Costco and Dillard's - they were closed. Officials at Ace Hardware explained: "Some things are more important than money."

The reasoning behind corporate America's choice to slide Black Friday forward a day to create Dark Gray Thursday was that the shopping season between Thanksgiving and Christmas has fewer days this year. So maybe it was a calendar fluke, not the launch of a new routine. But I confess to being skeptical.

I have been so wrong about so many things that it doesn't shock me to have been wrong about this. Thanksgiving *is* mess-up-able. We've done it now. I just hope it doesn't become the new norm for the fourth Thursday in November.



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