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

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Rick Hill - Treasurer/Finance Barry Bullock - Benevolence Kyle Adkins - Education/Worship/Youth

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...



ACTS 5:29, NRSV

PRAYER	Have we prayed about it as much as we have talked about it?				
Alexan	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			
- 55	TRAVELING: Pat Gunter	Keith Carmichael			
and the second	MILITARY MEMBERS	Zachary Gunter			
N D O LUD O DO	Additional Prayer Needs on Bulletin Insert ** Prayer requests can now be made and acknowledged on our church web page				
REQUESTS					

**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!!

- We had a successful Super Saturday VBS yesterday answering the "Who is my Neighbor" question by teaching Jesus' lesson on the Good Samaritan. Thank you to all who worked so hard to make it a success.

- The California, MO church is holding a Gospel Meeting in conjunction with their 50th anniversary as a congregation. The meeting will be 28-30 July and their flyer is posted in the foyer.

- Our ladies are invited to attend a Ladies Breakfast on August 3rd at 8:30 AM and will be at Square 109. If you have any questions you can contact sister Karen Pearson.

- Next Sunday is our Joint Praise & Worship with our brothers and sisters from Warrensburg. This will be hosted by our congregation and we want to be good hosts and hospitable to our visitors.

- Our brother, Sean, has stepped down from the position of Deacon for Building and Grounds. He intends to continue his involvement in work that is being done as any member would do. Thank you, brother for all you do for the body of Christ.

- Nolan and Ann will be vacationing next week, July 28th thru August 4th...

## **THOSE Serving...** to be dropping in their ch

- Can change for children... A reminder to those who have cans, to be dropping in their change. We will collect *after summer is over* 

			to deliver them to Fair Haven
	This Week	Next Week	
Announcements Scripture Reading AM Song Leader Opening Prayer Closing Prayer Lord's Table Lead Lord's Table Assist Lord's Table Assist	Don Ross Keith Carmichael Barry Bullock Kyle Adkins Don Ross Mark Andrews Mike Johnson Rick Hill	Keith Carmichael <b>OPEN</b> Kyle Adkins Rick Hill Keith Carmichael <b>OPEN</b> Sean Langston Kyle Carmichael	<ul> <li>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!!</li> <li>Don't forget our Bible Study Opportunities</li> </ul>
PM Song Leader Opening Prayer Closing Prayer PM Speaker Wed. Opening Prayer Wed. Closing Prayer	Sean Langston Rick Hill Joshua Bullock Nolan Rutter Barry Bullock <b>OPEN</b>	Joint Praise & Worship w/Warrensburg Here Nolan Rutter Joshua Bullock	- 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



*Our soul is exceedingly filled with the scoffing of those that are at ease.....* (Psalms 123:4)

Being at ease, taking it easy is an attitude that reflects the way a lot of people desire to live their lives today. Now, there are times in all of our lives that we need to slow down a little bit, take it easy but we must be alert and careful that this attitude does not become such that it becomes a dominate factor in our lives.

This take it easy philosophy is dangerous because it has the power to cause an individual to become indolent, self-indulgent, careless and even lazy. When the "take it easy" attitude sets in, it will more than likely result in a love for material things, possessions, pleasures and amusements rather than a pure, undefiled love for God, His word and His church (1 John 2:15-17; Matthew 6:19-21; Colossians 3:1-6; Luke 12:15; Matthew 6:33; 1 John 5:3-5).

We live in an age where we are blessed with so many tools and gadgets that tend to make our lives easier and even more prosperous than it was for those who lived in years long passed. This makes it much easier to yield to the temptation to become over confident in our own abilities and begin living only for the moment that brings a sense of happiness and pleasure into our lives.

A take it easy, soul be at ease, complex will surely lull us into a state where saving our soul is put on hold, after all, there is time enough yet. Little or no thought is given as to what tomorrow will bring into our lives. Anyone who thinks they have many years of ease and pleasure left on this side of eternity places their eternal soul in a perilous position (Proverbs 27:1; James 4:13-14; 1 Samuel 20:3). Contrast the words, "many years", spoken by the rich man in Luke 12 with the words God spoke to him, "this night". It is troubling to the souls of those who are faithful to witness the utter disregard of the marvelous spiritual blessings from God by those who seek only for a life of ease.

The other side of this coin is seen in those who seek to obtain a life of ease through little or no effort on their part. Over the next several months, we are going to be deluged with men and women playing on this way of thinking by pledging to provide people with everything they need or want and it will all be free. Don't work, don't worry, we are going to take care of you (1 Timothy 5:8; 2 Thessalonians 3:10). Make no mistake here, in a "take it easy" society, wickedness will have a field day (Romans 1:21-32).

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## **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