Hickory Grove Church

Hickory Switch

March 2017



Upcoming Events

March

1st-Golden Agers 1st-Women's Fellowship 6th-Kid's Club 7th-Youth Group 8th-Bible Study 11th-Craft Day 14th-Youth Group 15th-Bible Study 18th-Women's Prayer 19th-3:30 Nursing Home Service 20th-Deacon's Meeting 21st-Youth Group 22nd-Bible Study 28th-Youth Group 29th-Bible Study



Church Bowling Outing



More than just bowling going on...... About 18 people participated in our Sunday afternoon bowling but I think we would all agree that there was more than just bowling going on! Visiting with friends, holding babies and corralling kids were at the top of the list. It was a very enjoyable afternoon among friends. Thanks to all who participated and made it such a great afternoon.

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PASTOR'S PEN

A BIG FIRE ALWAYS DRAWS A CROWD

I remember back as a kid growing up in the town of Lucerne. They were good days. We were free to ride our bikes in town and out of town. We did the usual things kids did when they were just hanging out for the summer. One thing that always broke the monotony of a dull day was a fire. When you heard the first siren blast it told people what direction the fire was, depending on how many blast came from the siren. Now we could tell which way the fire truck would be going. All the kids in town would hop on their bicycles to "chase the fire truck". If it was a grass fire, the firemen would often have it put out by the time we arrived. I still remember the fresh baled wagon load of hay burning as the wagon sat there on the county road. People would come for miles to see the fire.

Yes, there is something about a fire that always draws a crowd. The same is true of the tragedies of life. For those of us old enough, we can think back to the day President Kennedy was shot. People gathered together. Others will remember September 11, 2001 when our land was attacked by terrorists. It was hard to even imagine someone doing such a terrible act. But once again people gathered together. I remember testimonies from various people telling how packed their churches were the following Sunday. My son and his family could not even get in their church. It was packed and the steps outside were filled with people.

We witnessed the same thing February 19th after the sad event of losing two teenagers in Delphi to a senseless act of violence. I must admit, I had not thought much ahead to that Sunday. I was preoccupied in mind and heart with the children at school who were suffering grief. Honestly, Sunday was the least of my concerns. I knew God would handle Sunday, in His way and in His time. I was pleasantly blessed to see so many gather for worship that day. We even needed to set up more chairs in the back. It was a wonderful problem to have. Yes, a big fire always draws a crowd.

On Monday morning as I had my devotions, the thought came to me: "It's too bad we have to have a big fire to draw a crowd". My thoughts were: "What if we all came together like that every Lord's Day"? Maybe our world would have fewer senseless acts like an assassination, 911, and chasing fires. What if we filled our houses of prayer every Lord's Day and ask Him to intercede to make sure none of those things happened again? What if people drove by and saw people standing on the steps because the house was filled. Maybe, just maybe, they would stop by to see what was going on.

You want to see a fire? Hebrews 12:28-19 tells us: Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe, for our "God is a consuming fire." Thank you so much to all who made worship on that Sunday a priority. May God light a fire in all of us that makes every Sunday a priority.

Pastor Ken





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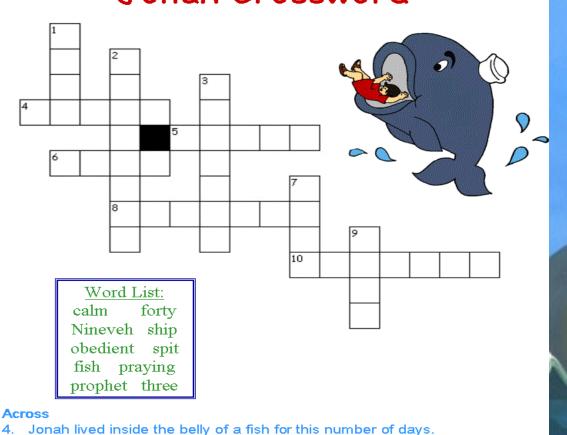
Phone: 574-965-2731 Ken Smith, Pastor

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			Ben Anderson Jamie Campbell Golden Agers Women's Fellowship	2	3	4 Rom & Pam Simons
5 Mary Long Donna Wilson	6 Linda Nape	7	8 Ron Long	9	10	Sam Lashbrook Al Heber
	Kid's Club	Youth Group	Bible Study			Craft Day
12	13	14	15	16 Kaden Simons	17	18
,		Youth Group	Bible Study			Women's Prayer
Kenny Miller	Jesse & Shannon Kelly	21	Connie Dunn	23 Penny Bidle	Martin Lewellen Chuck McManus	25
3:30 Nurs- ing Home Service	Deacon Meeting	Youth Group	Bible Study			
26	27 Gary & Sharon Lantz	28 Youth Group	29 Cindi Anderson Bible Study	30	31 Bill Smock	
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For the Young at Heart

Jonah Crossword



- This is the number of days the people of Nineveh had to change and repent.
- The fish did this to Jonah to get rid of him.
- This is the name of the city Jonah was to send a message to.
- 10. Jonah spent most of his time inside the fish doing this.

Down

- 1. Jonah was swallowed by a very large
- 2. It's better to be _____ to God then not to listen and go your own way.
- 3. Jonah was called this because he gave messages from the Lord.
- 7. Instead of going to Nineveh Jonah ran away on this instead.
- The water became ____ as soon as Jonah was thrown overboard.

Help Wanted

The Hickory Grove Cemetery Association is taking bids for mowing the cemetery!

Anyone interested in the position should contact

Bob White at 574-965-4143 or Brice Crowel at 574-965-2775.

Job description:

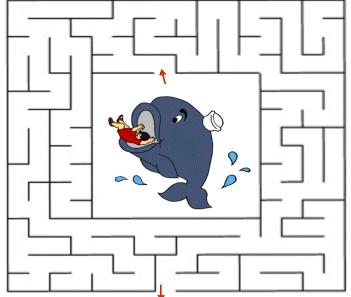
What: Mow cemetery and trim around

headstones

When: Every 10 days during the

mowing season **How**: Mower and weed eater...NO chemical sprays







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CHRISTIAN RADIO STATIONS

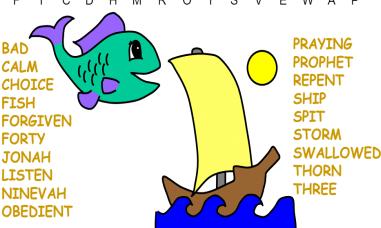
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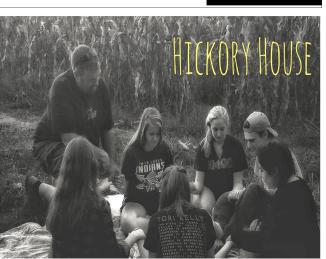
For those who may be interested in listening to Christians music or Christian talk radio, here are a few stations you might tune into!

90.7 FM (Christian Talk radio)

100.1 FM (Christian music) 106.7 FM (Christian music)







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YOUTH GROUP INFO

Submitted by Melanie Campbell

Youth Group will meet the following Tuesdays from 6:30-8:00pm at Hickory House: March 7, 14, 21, and 28. College-age welcome on February 7.

Winter Reminder: Youth Group will not meet if Delphi and/or Twin Lakes schools are cancelled, release early, or cancel after-school activities due to inclement weather.



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Cards and Visits

People who may appreciate your cards, prayers and visits:

Ann Conrad

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Roger Stewart

322 South East Street Tipton, IN 46072

Or one of our Deacons:

Need...

Cindi Anderson 574-686-2659 Ron Felz 574-965-4239 Rob Hill 574-686-2092 Alan Sickler 574-943-3236 Ron Simons 574-943-3382 Gloria Heber 765-564-4386

In Your Moment of

call:

Pastor Ken Smith

Pager: 574-722-0173

Phone: 574-826-4307

In your moment of

need please feel free to

Have something you want to share...

If you have any minutes to meetings, class party info or anything you think the rest of us might enjoy hearing about, please get it to Amy or Brenda. We can be reached at:

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Sundays in Review...

Did you miss a Sunday recently? No problem, you can now borrow a taped copy of the Sunday service! Copies are made every Sunday to be distributed to Shut-ins or those who were absent for whatever reason. Just contact anyone from the church, and they can get you a copy!