

CYC 2011

It is hard to believe, but by the time many of you are reading this on Sunday we will already be on our way back from Challenge Youth Conference in Gatlinburg. If it all holds up as planned we will have 37 from Highland Park at the conference helping to make up the 8,000 in attendance at the Gatlinburg Convention Center.

This is always such an awesome event that we turn into a retreat for our teens and parents. We stay at a Gatlinburg Falls cabin and several of our adults prepare our meals and we have our own devotionals at night and worship together in the cabin on Sunday morning. Please pray for our safety while travelling.

CLEWISTON/LABELLE MISSION TRIP

Our numbers for our trip to Clewiston this summer for VBS and outreach continue to grow. At this point we have 55 planning to make the trip to south Florida. The great thing about the large number is that we have now been able to expand our outreach into the nearby city of LaBelle.

Jacksonburg church of Christ in Florence is planning to take a group of 15 or so with us and so we contacted the church in LaBelle, about conducting a VBS at their facilities as well. Although it is 40 minutes away, it is still one of the closest churches to Clewiston. Doubling up our efforts is going to take a lot of effort, organization and funds.

I want to thank those who have already made generous donations to the work. Our teens at Highland Park have worked very hard on these trips in the past and I look forward to our work again this year. If you would like to donate to help with the cost of fuel and meals for the trip give your check to Rhonda, the elders or myself.
Ben

MAYWOOD CHRISTIAN CAMP June 26-July 2 Ages 8-18

Just a heads-up: Applications will be available soon. Maywood fills up fast so make up your mind if you want to go and get the form filled out as soon as it arrives.

SENIOR PICTURES



It is time to start planning our Graduation Banquet. So be gathering up those pictures of your Seniors and get them to me. 15-20 pictures will be plenty. Please include a baby picture and a Senior Picture, along with various pictures growing up.

LOMAX YOUTH RALLY

“On the Rock” March 18-19, 2011

Cost: \$10 T-Shirt (optional): \$10

Please sign up by Wednesday, March 2

MISSION TRIP PAYMENT DUE

Our first payment of \$50 for the summer mission trip is due now. Please give your check to Rhonda or Ben ASAP.

Cerebral Palsy Telethon

Sunday, March 6 from 1:00-5:00

contact Angela Kimbrell - 256-335-3815

Coat's Farm Benefit Trail Ride For N.A. Christian Children's Home

Saturday, March 19th

Trail Ride begins @ 9:00am

Barbecued Chicken Lunch Served @ 11:30

Coats' Farm Located on County Rd 298 - Florence

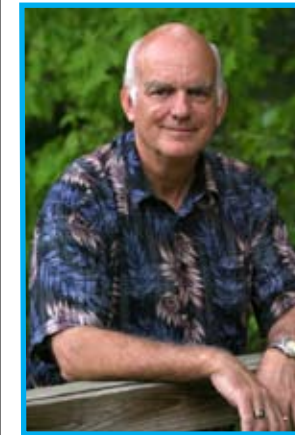
contact Robert Coats @ 256-766-3109



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“Pursue love and desire spiritual gifts, but especially that you may prophesy” (1 Corinthians 14:1).

As we assemble this Sunday morning it is appropriate for each of us to consider our goals and desires for attendance. Why exactly have we come for this occasion? What do we expect to gain or accomplish by being here?

Many would respond, “I have come to obey God’s command” (Hebrews 10:25). Others would answer that they have come to satisfy the desires of parents, or wives, or others. Some no doubt are here to set a good example for their children. And of course there are many who come because they find great enjoyment and benefit from the fellowship of

other Christians and the act of worshipping God.

In the context of 1 Corinthians 12-14 Paul addresses the subject of Spiritual gifts, and especially the divisiveness and abuses which incorrect application of those gifts was creating in Corinth. He shows there there is a gift – love - which is far greater than any miraculous talent. He also shows that some miraculous gifts have greater relevance to the ongoing ministry of the church than others. Specifically one should seek the gift of prophecy. That is, every Christian should seek to edify others by teaching the words of God.

Most commentators agree that the underlying background of Paul’s teaching in 1 Corinthians 14 is the regular assembly of the church. When he discusses singing, praying and prophesying, it is within the context of public worship (e.g., verses 19, 26, 34, etc.). That being the case, it is appropriate to read verse 1 as a Biblical goal for every Christian in every assembly of the Church.

Why does God want us to come to Church? What does He wish for us to accomplish? The answer is: Love, spiritual growth (cf Gal 5:16, 22-25), and prophesy (study of God’s word). We are here for the fellowship of other Christians, the exaltation of God, and the opportunity to grow in knowledge and understanding. May we all receive each of these blessings.

M.E.B.

Catered Meal Meeting for All The Deacons! Sunday, March 6th immediately following PM Worship in MPR Meeting is to discuss H.P. Programs/Missions Projects & Being Involved!

The Barbecue Meal will be cost prorated. Please sign sheet on bulletin board in foyer.
See Mike Moore for info.

Elders

Tim Fulmer
Glen Grubbs
Russell Smelser

Ministers

Mike Brooks
Ben Hayes
Michael Jackson
Michael South

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SERVICE SCHEDULE:

SUNDAY:

9:00am Bible Class

10:00am Worship

4:30pm Prayer Session

5:00pm Worship

WEDNESDAY:

7:00pm Bible Class

The Record You Help Make

Bible Class202

AM Worship300

PM Worship159

Contribution.....\$ 8,632

Child Care.....\$ 98

Sick: LaGail Ford is recovering from eye surgery Wed. They did retina repair and replaced the jell in her left eye. Olene Hanback is in Shoals in room 411. Troy Johnson is recovering from thyroid surgery. Branslee Hayes is recovering at home with RSV & pneumonia. Austin Davenport is in New Jersey recovering from heart surgery. Sheila Renfro will see her surgeon Monday to see about further treatments. Bobby Price is recovering from pneumonia. David Henson is in Cypress Cove on Avalon recovering from a broken wrist & Pelvic bone. Wayne Green is home recovering from surgery. Mike Farris has begun treatments for pancreatic cancer. Pat Quinn is in JW Sommer recovering from a broken hip. Sonny Watkins (Jerri's Friend) will be confined another 3 weeks recovering from a broken knee. Mike Brooks & Jane Moore would like us to remember their 1st cousin, Rodney Brooks who is recovering from having a heart pump installed. Bill Richardson (son-in-law of Mike & Jane) is recovering from surgery in New Jersey. Albert Sharp (Marie's brother is in ECM in 276. Keith Jones (Heather Morgan's dad) is struggling to recover from a badly broken leg.
[Keith Jones 1495 Greenhill Rd, Tuscumbia 35674]



Dear Church Family,
Thank you for all the prayers, visits, cards, & Food during the loss of our husband and father. Your thoughtfulness means so much to us. We are very blessed to have such dear friends. Please continue to pray for us during this time of loss. You are always in our prayers.
Christine Kirchner & Robin Sessions, & family

Words fail me to describe how much the past week has meant to me and my family. We've been overwhelmed by all the outpouring of love and appreciation. Thank you for all the cards, calls, emails, and gifts given us. We love you all!
Russell & family

I would like to take this opportunity to say a special heartfelt thanks to the entire congregation for the appreciation that was shown toward the elders and their families. It was for sure an humbling experience. All of the cards, facebook messages, food delivered to our homes and verbal expressions of thanks far exceed anything that I have ever experienced in the way of thanks.

Our preaching and administrative staff; Rhonda Cole, Mike Brooks, Ben Hayes, & Michael Jackson deserve a lot of credit for their obvious concern and dedication to the Lord and the success of his church. I would like to offer personal thanks to our deacons for the way they have enthusiastically stepped up to the challenges facing the church. Their positive attitudes and willingness to take on the challenges and improve on our efforts to do what God commanded us to do "to seek and save the lost."

Lastly, I thank the Lord for blessing me with, and allowing me the honor of serving, this wonderful family. Please pray that the Lord will bless us with the strength, wisdom, and knowledge to always make decisions in a way that are best for His church. I pray that the Lord continues to bless Highland Park as abundantly as he has recently.
Tim Fulmer

It has been a wonderful week to be an elder at H.P. Starting with the tribute to the Elders, and the gifts we received, followed by a different showing of appreciation all week. We thank you for the encouragement we received from all the cards, calls, and emails. We also enjoyed the desserts and other treats that were brought to our house. I quote from the poem, The Oak Tree; "Until today, I wasn't sure of just how much I could endure. But now I've found, with thanks to you, I'm stronger than I knew."
Glen & Judy



Dear Highland Park family,
Thank you so much for all your prayers, calls, messages, and gifts you sent our way during Branslee's sickness and hospital visit. We are so proud to be a part of this wonderful congregation. We love and appreciate each one of you. God bless and thanks again.
Ben, Kenya, & family

Thank you for the calls, prayers, food, and cards. It all meant so much to my family.
Sheila Renfro

Dear Church Family,
Thank you so much for honoring all of our hard working elders, past and present! Alan loved serving as an elder and we thank you for remembering his work. Thank you for the fruit basket and the flowers. In Christian Love,
The Alan Edgeworth Family

THOSE TO SERVE

10:00 AM WORSHIP
Read Scripture..... Mitch Morris
Opening Prayer..... Pete Waldrop
Closing Prayer..... Hisham Durdujji

5:00 PM SERVICE
Read Scripture..... Gene Lansdell
Opening Prayer..... Bill Looser
Closing Prayer..... Dwain Hargett

Greeters..... Mike & Susan Franks
Building Lockup .. Russell Smelser

FEBRUARY CONTACT ELDER
Russell Smelser



Prayer Lists:

Mabeth Jones, Pauline Jackson, Harvey Hasha, Rayburn Moore (Melinda Logan's brother-in-law), Wylodean Dabbs, Vic & Margaret Addington, Lois Black, Opal Farris, Guy Jeffreys, Austin & Betty Davenport, Jimmy & Olene Hanback

Please remember our cancer patients:

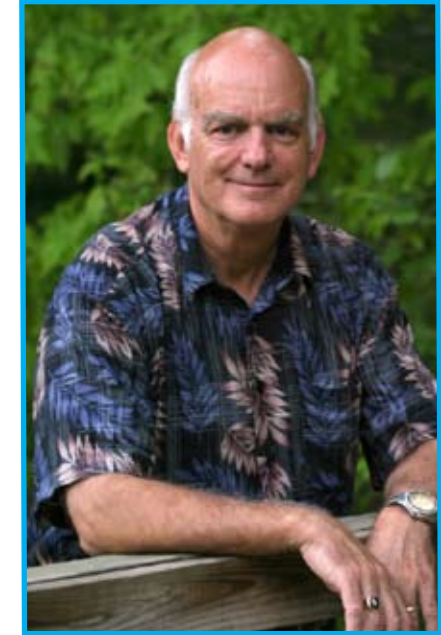
Robin McCollum, Brenda Pettus, Howard Jeffreys
Adrian West (Robin McCollum's mother), Kenneth Harrison (Dot Crowden's brother), Becky Mays (Joyce Rose's friend); David Blazer, Ann Hargett, Betty Barnes, Mike Farris
Mozelle King (Faye Smith's friend)
Norma Hallmark (B Thompson's sister-in-law)
Spruell Fretwell (Faye Smith's cousin)

Widows & Singles

Will meet at
Ruby Tuesday's
tonight after worship!



Pantry item
Flour



Observations
Brenda and I have thoroughly enjoyed our trip to Florida over the past week and a half. We spent several days in the Lake Okeechobee area fishing and visiting with friends from Kentucky who spend several weeks there each winter. The last few days we were with our daughter and grandson in Orlando.

While in the Lake area we stayed in the preacher's house (not currently occupied) of the church in Clewiston, where the youth group held a VBS last year and where they will return this summer. We met several of the members there, and many of the "snow-birds" who attend in the winter months. They spoke very well of the Highland Park group and are excited about seeing each of you again. They all asked us to give you their greetings.

I am scheduled to preach here at Highland Park next Sunday morning (March 6). I look forward to that opportunity as always.

Brenda and I will begin our spring 2011 campaign to Nepal, India, and Bangladesh Tuesday, March 6. Plans are for us to work two weeks in Nepal, then stop over for a long weekend in Kolkata, India to meet and survey the work of some Indian brothers there. This is at the request of Charles Scott. We will arrive in Bangladesh on Tuesday, March 29 and return to the U.S. on Memorial Day (May 30).

If any of you want to have a financial partnership in this campaign there is still time. Any contributions may be made by check to Highland Park Church of Christ and given to me or turned into the office. Please mark the checks for missions. Do not put them in the regular contribution, as this may result in them being overlooked and not designated for missions.

Your prayers are also very important to us and to this work. We appreciate all you do to support and encourage us and the Christians and churches in South Asia.
M.E.B.



A New Class!

"Helping Christians Cope"

A new auditorium class on Wednesday nights with power point presentations taught by Jack Welhelm! For all ages! Come Join us!

Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Workshop!
At Sherrod Ave Church of Christ Monday, Feb 28th from 6pm to 8pm

Helping Hands
Will meet tonight following worship