



# The Highlighter

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## 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

## Website

When you get a chance, go and check out our updated church website at [www.highlandparkchurchofchrist.org](http://www.highlandparkchurchofchrist.org)

Several people have been working hard lately to get it updated and there is a lot of great information about several of our ministries on there. Currently you can read about and access material on Mike and Brenda's work in Bangladesh and Nepal, the youth group, and the prison ministry. You can also look at the latest bulletins and will soon be able to access Highland Park's sermons. There is still a lot to do, but we hope that it will be a way for us to keep up with what is going on and a great way for newcomers to our area to find out more about Highland Park.

## 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

Today 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

### Elders

Tim Fulmer  
Glen Grubbs  
Russell Smelser

### Ministers

Mike Brooks  
Ben Hayes  
Michael Jackson  
Michael South

### Secretary

Rhonda Cole

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### SERVICE SCHEDULE:

#### SUNDAY:

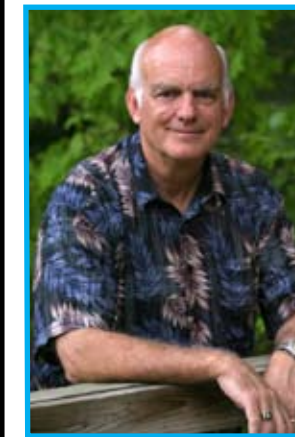
9:00am Bible Class  
10:00am Worship  
4:30pm Prayer Session  
5:00pm Worship

#### WEDNESDAY:

7:00pm Bible Class

### The Record You Help Make

Bible Class .....170  
AM Worship .....266  
PM Worship .....171  
Contribution.....\$ 9,517  
Child Care.....\$ 103



*"Then Zedekiah the king said, "Look, he is in your hand. For the king can do nothing against you" (Jeremiah 38:5).*

Jeremiah was a prophet with a very unpopular message. The princes of Israel became infuriated with him and desired to put him to death. When they proposed this to King Zedekiah he responded that "the King can do nothing against you."

Whether or not this was literally true, it does illustrate that in almost every case persons in authority rule by consent. Current events in the middle east bear this out. The citizens of Tunisia, Egypt, and Libya have removed their permission for dictators to remain in power and consequently they are being toppled. Even with the aid of great force, there comes a time when the refusal of the population to follow a leader results in the loss of the leader's power.

This fact gives emphasis to the importance of the role of follower. This is especially true when both leaders and followers fill their roles voluntarily, as in the Lord's church. Elders and other leaders of the church accept their position by desire and consent (1 Timothy 3:1). But they also receive those positions at the request and by the consent of the church's members (Acts 6:5). One leads voluntarily; the other follows, also voluntarily.

This congregation recently gave well deserved honor and appreciation to its elders. It is appropriate for every member to be commended also for diligently pursuing the task of following. Whether or not it is always true that the king cannot do anything without the permission of the princes, it is certainly true that in the Church, leaders can do nothing against the will and without the help of each member. May God always bless us with a cooperative and loving spirit, and with the desire to work together as God has given to each his gifts (Rom 12:3, 6; Eph 4:16).

M.E.B.

## Catered Meal Meeting for All The Deacons!

TONIGHT immediately following PM Worship in MPR

This 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.

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**Sick:** Troy Johnson is recovering from thyroid surgery. Austin Davenport is home. Sheila Renfro is exploring options about further treatments. David Henson is in Cypress Cove on Avalon. Wayne Green is home recovering from surgery. Pat Quinn is in JW Sommer recovering from a broken hip. Sonny Watkins (Jerri's Friend) will be confined another 2 weeks recovering from a broken knee. Bill Richardson (son-in-law of Mike & Jane) is recovering from surgery in New Jersey. Keith Jones (Heather Morgan's dad) is struggling to recover from a badly broken leg.  
[Keith Jones 1495 Greenhill Rd, Tusculumbia 35674]



## New Baby!

Trey & Alicia Reaves are happy to announce the birth of "Colt Michael" born Monday at ECM. Colt weighs 8lb15oz and is 22 inches long. Ruthie and Emma are the happy little sisters. Michael & Revae are the proud grandparents and Mary Ann Weddington is the great-grandmother.

## 3 Thank You Cards!

Dear Brothers & Sisters,  
We want to thank you for the donation of clothes, etc. We received from you when our house burned. You have been a blessing. The Bible teaches, "Love thy neighbor as thyself" and you all certainly follow that command. Thank you and may God richly bless your congregation. The Barnett Family Of Phil Campbell, AL

Dear Dorcas Ladies,  
Thank you for your kindness during the recent loss of our home. The quilt you gave us is beautiful and precious to us. Our youngest son, Tim (age 9) has been studying quilts in school and he was delighted when we placed the quilt on his bed. He told us all about the patchwork. I told him the quilt was made with love which makes it even more special. Dorcas would be so proud!

The Barnett Family of Phil Campbell, AL

Dear Ben,  
Thank you so much for your visits, prayers, & words of comfort during the recent loss of daddy. Losing a loved one is so hard and having friends and those who care to help us and to remind us of God's wonderful plan and promise of heaven is what helps us to get through this hard time. Your kindness and friendship mean so much!  
Robin Sessions, Christine Kirchner & family



## Wedding Shower!

There will be a wedding shower for **Angela Kimbrell** Sunday, March 27th in the MPR immediately following PM Worship. This shower for everyone, both men and women. They are registered at Linda's Loft and Bed, Bath, & Beyond.

Please bring finger foods & drinks and join us!  
For more info see Becki Henson!



**Daylight Savings Time begins**  
**Sunday, March 13th**  
**PM Worship will begin at 6:00**



**Meals-On-Wheels**  
**Delivers March 21 - 25**  
**see Donna Kimbrough to help!**



**Lads/Leaders**  
**Speeches**  
**Sunday Night, March 27th**  
**Leaderettes**  
**Speeches Wednesday night, March 30th**

## THOSE TO SERVE

**10:00 AM WORSHIP**  
Read Scripture..... Alan Waycaster  
Opening Prayer..... Mike Moore  
Closing Prayer..... Hollis Clark

**5:00 PM SERVICE**  
Read Scripture..... Youth Group  
Opening Prayer..... Youth Group  
Closing Prayer..... Youth Group  
**Greeters..... Tyrus & Lori Mansell**  
**Building Lockup ..... Jim Malone**

**MARCH CONTACT ELDER**  
**Tim Fulmer**



## 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, Albert Sharp

## Please remember our cancer patients:

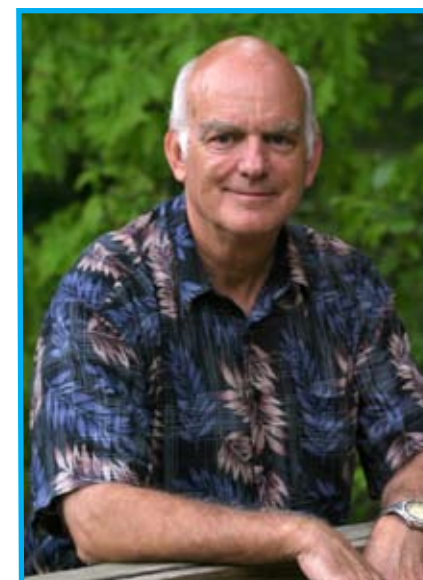
Robin McCollum, Brenda Pettus, Howard Jeffreys  
Adrian West (Robin McCollum's mother), Kenneth Harrison (Dot Crowden's brother), Becky Mays (Joyce Rose's friend); David Blazer, Ann Hargett, Betty Barnes, Mike Farris  
Mozelle King (Faye Smith's friend)  
Norma Hallmark (B Thompson's sister-in-law) 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

## Widows & Singles

Will meet at **Rick's Barbecue** tonight after worship!



Pantry item  
**Cornmeal**



## Observations

Just two more days before our plane leaves for Katmandu. Brenda and I are frantically packing and preparing for departure. Your prayers, contributions and encouragement sure do make it easier for us to go. A very sincere and heart-felt thank you to all who have given to make this trip possible.

I know you are interested in the work of evangelization in Bangladesh and Nepal by how much you give, how often we are in your prayers and by the many kind things you say to us so often. I believe you will be excited as we are to know that great progress has been made by God's help in securing additional funding to carry on and continue to grow the work in South Asia.

As of this week there are at least 16 other congregations besides Highland Park, who are giving on a monthly, committed basis to this work. Of these, six have committed for the first time in 2011. There are also at least 24 individuals who give monthly. These contributions (including Highland Park's) amount to almost \$8,000 per month for this work. That does not include several other churches and many Christians who give one or more times each year.

This is the first time we have been able to secure significant increases in contributions since the beginning of the global economic crisis in 2008, when we lost considerable funding. We have struggled to meet expenses since then, but now we are closer to fully funding our work at the present budgetary level. Of course the work will continue to grow and needs will always increase, so long as the work is being done. God is blessing us however, and we trust Him to continue to do so as long as we are faithful stewards.

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!**

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