

Herrick Baptist Church Newsletter

November 2014

From Our Pastor

I once was lost but now I'm found! I watched the World Series to see Kansas City play their 1st World Series in 29 years, only to lose. Our high school volleyball team made it to the championship match of the regionals, only to lose. Second is not our goal in life. Why do we teach that in second place you are a loser? I mean our volleyball team had a great run in the regionals! How or why would we not congratulate them? How could we not be excited about the Royals who made it to the World Series for the 1st time in 29 years? Because somehow society has taught us ONLY 1st matters, no seconds. As Christians we should not view things in that manner! The bible says in Matthew 20; 16 so the last will be first, and the first last. For many are called, but few are chosen. So here it is we should not take second as bad. We should work to lead people to The Lord to spend eternity in Heaven. Matthew 6:33 But seek first the kingdom of God... The victory is in Jesus, as we are set free from our sins! Not to say that we should not be in sports and trying to achieve greatness for Jesus on the field or on the court. Never look at the second place you got as a bad thing, never. And we should stop teaching our kids to put their head down when they get second. I know we should teach our kids goals and try to be the best at everything we do. The best example is taking your kids or grandkids to church week after week. Or showing your family the commitment you have to God and not missing church for family dinner. We can teach our family responsibilities by how we serve our Lord not telling them that second is like a failure! When I do a wedding, I tell them if your flower girl or ring bearer don't make it down the aisle it's ok. It's ok. When I coached the JV basketball, we had 5 or 6 boys on the team. It was hard to run up and down the court and win. I would tell them don't look at the score board. Learn from how we are doing this and how we are doing overall, not win or lose! Not everyone can get 1st! Not everyone can be the great one. Try and try and try and never give up. Never. I feel so BLESSED to be the pastor of HBC, I talked with so many pastors who say I got this degree and went to seminary here. Where would we be if I had keep saying I can't read Lord, Lord I don't know The Bible. God has used me in a powerful way that would have never thought possible! But with GOD ALL things are possible! I'm not telling you to just get by I'm telling keep going, second is ok. I once was blind but now I can see! Where would we be if God only took 1st place? Stand up and give God all the Glory for what is happening in our lives. The first will be last. I once was lost but now I'm found!

-Pastor Jay

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**The great man never thinks he is great, and
the small man never thinks he is small.**

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Greeters

11/2	Rick & Ann Stephens
11/9	Leroy & Debbie Albright
11/16	Kevin & Tashina Calame
11/23	Tara & Wyatt Cox
11/30	Dennis & Peggy Curl
12/7	Joan Davis
12/14	Terry & Debbie Denton
12/21	Travis & Sharle Elliott
12/28	Shane & Nancy Finley

Nursery Assistants

11/2	Mary Hayes
11/9	Greg & Dana Jones
11/16	Tashina Calame & Miranda Pope
11/23	Randy & Andrea Schoonover
11/30	Jan Thompson & JoAnn Moutrey
12/7	Natosha Brown & Melanie Meek
12/14	Vicki Tate
12/21	Ann Stephens
12/28	Sherry Huddleston & Jennifer Morris

October

Blessings

Donnie Simpson was saved!

Danielle Simpson was saved!

Shae Nohren was saved!

Awesome Fall Festival!



Fall Coat Drive

HBC is organizing a coat drive for kids in need within the Cowden-Herrick schools. If you would like to donate money or a *new* coat, please contact Sharle or Missy.



HBC is on Facebook!

Please feel free to join us!

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November



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>If you want to know your destiny, live for God's glory.</p> <p>-Dr. Tony Evans</p>						1
2 9:30 AM Sun. Sch. 10:30 AM Worship 6:00 PM Worship	3 7:00 PM Deacons Meeting	4 	5 7:00 PM Adult Bible Study 7:00 PM Kids Christmas Program Practice	6 8:30 AM Prayer Meeting	7	8 2:00 PM Kelly Thompson Bridal Shower
9 9:30 AM Sun. Sch. 10:30 AM Worship 6:00 PM Movie Night	10	11 	12 7:00 PM Business Meeting	13 8:30 AM Prayer Meeting 	14	15
16 9:30 AM Sun. Sch. 10:30 AM Worship 6:00 PM Worship	17	18	19 7:00 PM Adult Bible Study 7:00 PM Kids Christmas Program Practice	20 8:30 AM Prayer Meeting	21	22
23 9:30 AM Sun. Sch. 10:30 AM Worship 5:00 PM Thanksgiving Dinner	24	25	26	27 	28	29
30 9:30 AM Sun. Sch. 10:30 AM Worship 6:00 PM Heaven Bound Concert Pizza Following	<p>Thank you for your contribution to our shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child. We are planning to fill 60 boxes this year, because of your generosity! If you haven't brought your gift, we need it by Wednesday, November 12. We will fill the boxes on Thursday evening, November 13. If you or your child/grandchild would like to sign a card and enclose a picture, please bring those on Wednesday evening and sign the card at that time. Thanks for all your help!</p>					



Birthdays & Anniversaries

November Birthdays

7	<i>Dylan Meek</i>
9	<i>Jan Thompson</i>
9	<i>Naomi Barr</i>
14	<i>JoAnn "Toodles" Davis</i>
17	<i>Matt Black</i>
28	<i>Peggy Curl</i>

November Anniversaries

1	<i>Dean & Jan Thompson</i>
6	<i>Robb & Erin Downs</i>
10	<i>George & JoAnn Moutrey</i>
20	<i>Greg & Dana Jones</i>

December Birthdays

1	<i>Sande Jostess</i>
3	<i>Dale Redman</i>
4	<i>Brandy Kramer</i>
5	<i>Lyn Fookes</i>
7	<i>Britney Bolyard</i>
9	<i>Brad Cox</i>
9	<i>Trevor Mattka</i>
9	<i>Dean Thompson</i>
14	<i>Andrew Lorton</i>
15	<i>Caleb Heiserman</i>
16	<i>Mike Myers</i>
18	<i>Jacob Mays</i>
18	<i>Tom Hayes</i>
19	<i>Bristyl Kirkendoll</i>
21	<i>Michelle Durbin</i>
24	<i>Ryanne Thompson</i>
24	<i>Tom Golding</i>
25	<i>Laura Kay Kramer</i>
25	<i>Sophie Young</i>
26	<i>Austin Kramer</i>
29	<i>Butch Miller</i>
29	<i>Shelly Hilvety</i>
30	<i>Shayna Thopmson</i>

Bible Trivia - II & III John

1. How did John address himself at the beginning of these epistles? (1)

A) The beloved B) The elder C) A prisoner of the Lord D) A servant of Jesus Christ

2. To whom was II John written? (1)

A) Demetrius B) Diotrophes C) Gaius D) The elect lady

3. What are the key words of II and III John?

A) Love and truth B) Hope and righteousness C) Faith and works D) All of the above

4. Who should you NOT bring into your house? (II John:9-10)

A) Liars B) Sinners C) Those who bring not the doctrine of Christ D) Unbelievers

5. Why DIDN'T John write more in II and III John? (II John 12-13, III John 13-14)

A) He ran out of parchment and ink B) He wanted to speak to them face to face C) His friends would fill in the details D) All of the above

6. To whom was III John written? (1)

A) Demetrius B) Diotrophes C) Gaius D) The elect lady

7. What did John wish for Gaius? (III John 2)

A) Prosperity and health B) That his children would be saved C) That he would keep the commandments D) All of the above

8. What did John hear that brought him great joy? (III John 4)

A) That his children walked in truth B) That man received the Holy Ghost C) That many repented D) That many were baptized

9. Who did John say loved to have the preeminence? (III John 9)

A) Alexander B) Demetrius C) Diotrophes D) Gaius

10. Who did John say had a good report of all men? (III John 12)

A) Alexander B) Demetrius C) Diotrophes D) Gaius

Mary Had A Little Lamb

Mary had a little lamb, his fleece was white as snow.

And everywhere that Mary went, the lamb was sure to go.

He followed her to school each day, twasn't even in the rule.

He made the children laugh and play. To have a lamb at school.

And then the rules all changed one day. Illegal it became; to bring the Lamb of God to school.

Or even speak His Name. Everyday got worse and worse, and days turned into years.

Instead of hearing children laugh, we heard gun shots and tears.

What must we do to stop the crime, that's in our schools today?

Let's let the Lamb come back to school, and teach our kids to pray!

Attitude of Gratitude

*In everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.
1 Thessalonians 5:18*

Patrick Henry Hughes was born without eyes and unable to fully straighten his arms and legs. Not only would he never be able to see, he also would never walk or have normal use of his arms. When his parents learned this devastating truth, the dreams they once had for their first child instantly evaporated. Patrick's dad previously had visions of his son on football and baseball fields catching the winning touchdown pass or throwing the final strike to win the game. But with this new revelation it seemed that Patrick's life would be one of dependence and little hope for meaningful success.

Overcoming this demoralizing reality would prove to be extremely difficult for Patrick's parents. As you might imagine, they repeatedly asked God why and desperately searched for answers. By chance, they discovered that the only way to quiet Patrick's crying was to play the piano for him. When they placed his highchair at the keys, he began to find specific notes and by his second birthday he was playing requests such as "You Are My Sunshine" and "Twinkle Little Star".

His musical abilities expanded to singing and playing the trumpet and he quickly gained popularity throughout their home town of Louisville, KY. During elementary and high school, Patrick played numerous small venues and when he enrolled at the University of Louisville the band director approached him. In response to the band director's request to have Patrick play trumpet in the University's marching band, Patrick said "How in the heck am I gonna march?" He didn't respond with an attitude of defeat, but with a question that showed his determination to overcome the obstacle.

Patrick's dad answered that question when he volunteered to push Patrick in his wheelchair whenever the band performed. In addition to working a night shift job, he would attend classes with Patrick and then go to each band practice so that he could learn the formations and the marching routines. It was now apparent that his dreams of seeing his son perform on the football field were going to come true.

As you might imagine, Patrick's fame soon spread beyond Louisville and he started to get national attention. When ESPN aired a short documentary about Patrick's triumph over seemingly impossible challenges, Patrick said "God made me blind and unable to walk. Big deal! He gave me the musical gifts I have and the opportunity to meet new people." In 2006 Patrick won the Disney Wide World of Sports Spirit Award. At the awards ceremony Patrick started his acceptance speech with this:

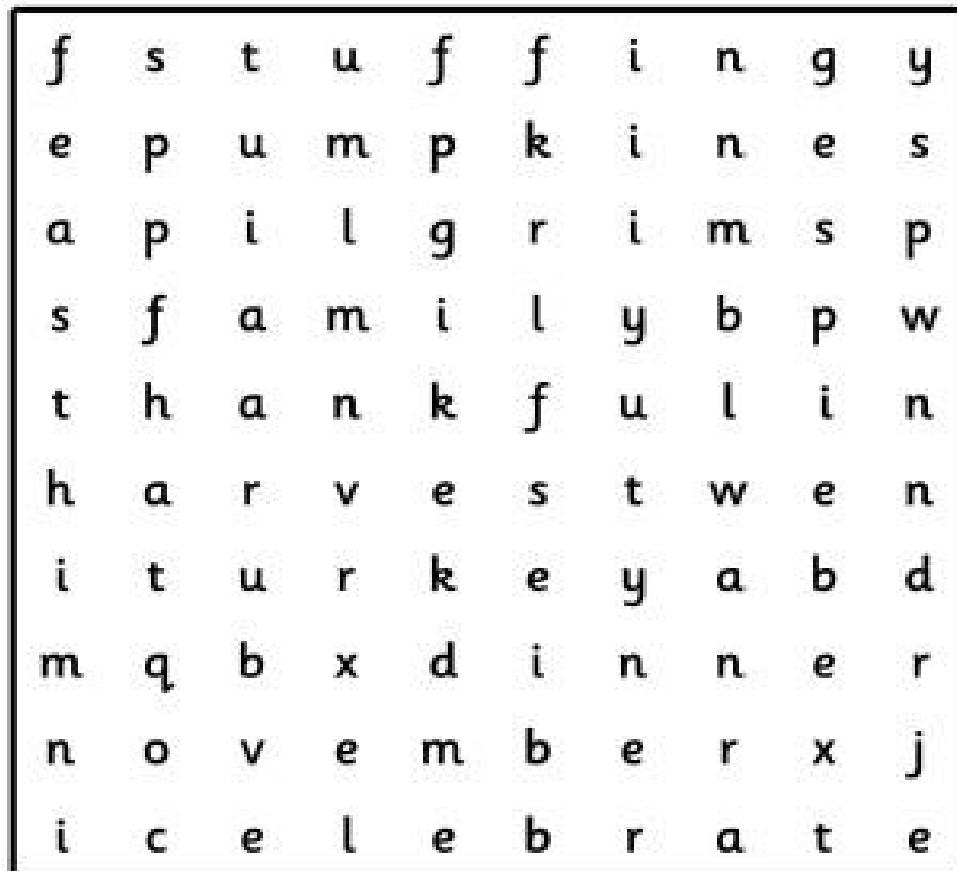
"First and foremost I would love to thank my God for all the great things He has done for me and for allowing me to receive such great honors and meet such wonderful people."

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Thanksgiving Word Search



celebrate

dinner

family

feast

harvest

november

pie

pilgrims

pumpkin

stuffing

thankful

turkey

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Joy comes from giving to Christ - not getting from Him.

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Despite an incredibly bleak start, Patrick has clearly found God's purpose for his life. Certainly his parents have been instrumental in helping Patrick overcome so many obstacles, but I believe the most critical element is Patrick's attitude of gratitude. Instead of dwelling on his limitations, he has *chosen* to focus on the positive and be grateful. He gives thanks to God for the blessings he has received and concentrates his life on using those gifts to glorify The Giver.

Do you have the attitude of gratitude? Have you made the choice to overlook the negative in your life and give thanks for all that you have? Does Patrick's story make you realize that maybe your life really isn't that bad? If you are reading this, you have one huge blessing that Patrick has never enjoyed. Give thanks for that and all of the other things that you tend to take for granted. It is impossible to be negative and grateful at the same time, so instead of complaining about all that you don't have, be grateful for all that you do have.

Above all else, thank God for the gift of eternal life. If you haven't yet accepted that gift, simply bow your head right now and ask God to forgive you of your sins, thank Him for sacrificing Jesus on the cross, and then ask Jesus to take control of your life.

Trivia answers...

1. B 2. D 3. A 4. C 5. B 6. C 7. A 8. A 9. C 10. B