

THE TIE

September 2018



From The Pastor:

FREEDOM: Saved by His grace, Living for His glory. That is the title of a brand new sermon series from the book of Exodus and it begins on September 9th. Let me encourage you to begin now praying for this series, reading the book of Exodus, and inviting others to join you. We believe God is going to use this series to teach us so much about Himself, glorify His Son, and drive the truth of the gospel even more deeply into our hearts.

LEAD TEAM SUMMIT. For two Sunday nights, September 16th and 23rd, we will have a short track Dinner and a Bible Study. Anyone who would like to attend is certainly welcome, but those two nights are being developed specifically for our leadership team. If you are a deacon, lead a small group, or guide one of our ministries, we need you to be there for those two Sunday nights. We will spend those two weeks digging into the Biblical model of discipleship. If you are a leader in any capacity of the HBC family, please don't miss those nights.

SMALL GROUPS. Let me encourage you to be faithful to your small group Bible study. Small groups provide you with opportunities to grow in your understanding of the Word of God, develop deep community with fellow believers, and engage in the mission of the gospel. If you have been disconnected from a small group, this is a good time to re-engage. If you are involved, talk to your leader about ways you can help strengthen your small group. Regularly invite others to be your guest. We need constantly multiplying disciples building constantly multiplying groups.

GLOBAL MISSIONS CELEBRATION. Our Global Missions Celebration banquet is on Sunday night, November 4th. Please be watching for details and for information as we get closer. That will be a very exciting night as we look back at what God has done over the last twelve months and as we look ahead to what we believe He wants to do with us in the next twelve. We will be joined by special guest, Dr. Brian Frye. Dr. Frye is the National Collegiate Ministry Strategist for the North American Mission Board. Make your dinner reservations early and plan to join us for that night of celebration.

INVEST AND INVITE. Invest in someone's life and invite them to be your guest at Highland. It is not all there is to sharing the gospel and making multiplying disciples, but it is a very good place to start.

I am so grateful for this church family, I love all of you, and look forward to what the Lord has in store for us.

Blessings,

Bro. John

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RECREATION



We have had the pleasure of offering Upward basketball and cheerleading here at Highland for almost 20 years!

At this time, however, we will not be participating in Upward or offering any basketball/cheerleading leagues.

We are thankful for all the families who have chosen Upward here at Highland.

We hope you will find a sports ministry to participate in so you can continue to grow, develop, and play!!

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." Jer. 29:11

YOUTH



Highland Family! We have been blown away at how God is orchestrating the details of this

student ministry! As we have prayerfully pursued the Lord's direction, He has given us His leadership and we have seen Him work!

On Sunday morning, August 5th, we kicked off a new year of small groups. We had 60 students involved that Sunday. The next week, August 12th, we held a "house party" at our home and hosted 81 people and 64 of those were students! As we anticipated a great move of God on our Wednesday night kick off, we had begun to pray for 100 students in attendance. On Wednesday night, August 15th, we saw 126 students enter the doors of our student ministry! They joined us in worship and heard the gospel presented. At least one student has given her heart to Christ and many others are to come as the Lord blesses our efforts for His glory!

We are very eager to see how God works in the hearts of our students as He builds this ministry. Please join us in prayer for lost students to know Christ, and for those who know Him to make Him known!

Serving Together!

Bro. Rodney

PRESCHOOL and CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Baby Dedication New and expectant parents are invited to join John Brock on Sunday, September 16 at 4:30 in the Fireside Room of the CLC for an informal time of preparing to dedicate your new (or soon-to-arrive) addition to your family. We ask that parents participate in a preparation class before publicly dedicating your child to God in front of our church family. After completing the class, you may choose a date for your Baby Dedication. Please RSVP to Stephanie Gilliam no later than Thursday, September 13 if you will be able to attend.

New Orleans Mission Trip We will travel to New Orleans March 24-28, 2019 to work with a church plant through Mission Lab at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary. This trip is open to adults of all ages as well as children ages third grade and older. The estimated cost is \$275, which includes transportation, lodging at the seminary, and two meals a day from the seminary campus. A \$50 deposit is due upon registration, with the balance due by February 26. Please contact Stephanie Gilliam with any questions, or to sign up for the trip.

CentriKid 2019 Children currently in 3rd through 6th grades can mark their calendars for CentriKid 2019! We will attend camp at Shocco Springs Conference Center in Talladega July 8-12. Parents may contact Stephanie Gilliam in the church office with any questions or to register their children.

Vacation Bible School 2019 Mark your calendars now for **In the Wild** VBS 2019! Seven Points Campus VBS will be June 10-14.

Lunch Buddies Miss Stephanie loves to visit with children over school lunches! If your child would like for Miss Stephanie to come to lunch one day, please contact her with the school, time, and teacher's name.



CHURCH BUS

The Church Bus is available for Sunday School and Worship Service. If you need a ride in September, call Tracy Reaves at 256-702-2004.

To volunteer for this ministry, call Dewayne Webb at: 256-627-3870.

CELEBRATE RECOVERY



Celebrate Recovery
Movie Night & Fellowship
Thursday, Sept. 27 @ 6PM
Broadway Fellowship
3215 Huntsville Road

SENIOR ADULTS

Senior Adult Keenage Club
Luncheon
Tuesday, September 13th @ Noon
Christian Life Center Gym
Highland Baptist 7 Points
This lunch is a pot luck.
Bring food and a friend!

GLOBAL MISSIONS

HBC Missions

Global Missions Celebration
Sunday, Nov. 4 @ 5:30 p.m.

Make plans NOW to attend this celebration banquet for what God has done through the HBC Family of Churches and to find out what's in store for 2019!

A Sneak Peek at some international trips for 2019:

- Uganda, Dec. 30-Jan. 8: Serving the children of Nyada.
- Nazareth, Apr. 23-May 4: Renovation/repair at Nazareth Baptist School.
- Nazareth, June 25-July 6: Serving in Children's Day Camp, Nazareth Baptist School.
- Botswana, July 16-25: Serving children and teaching adults in Qabo.
- Honduras, July 27-Aug. 3: Medical, dental, VBS, evangelism & MORE.

Because of the cost and planning associated with international mission trips, begin praying now about which team to join! Applications are being received NOW.

STEWARDSHIP PRAYER

Even if all we have is a little, the Lord desires us to be joyfully generous, so that He will have for His church an abundance for every good work.

~Francis Frangipane

EDUCATION

I want to thank you for being in our new small groups for a month now. I would also like to invite you to join us if you have been busy and haven't gotten plugged in to a small group yet. We have a group for you. If you have any questions about a group for you or your family, call Ryan at 256-443-6012.

We have challenged our small groups to schedule time each week for members of their group to share the gospel story with each other. I encourage you to step up and share your gospel story with your group.

Don't forget to discuss your group's mission project; we will be sharing our projects with each other during our Missions Celebration on November 4th. Get out there and serve our city and share Jesus with them.

Our Women's Ministry is offering a new bible study starting on two different nights:

- Sept. 10th on Monday nights at 6:00 pm in the Fireside Room
- Sept. 12th on Wednesday nights on the 3rd Floor, in Room #335

MONTH AT A GLANCE

BUDGET



Online Giving
Click Contributions at
www.highlandbaptist.com

July 1-31, 2018

Monthly Requirements.....\$195,000
Budget Receipts.....\$156,134
Designated Gifts.....\$8,051
TOTAL RECEIPTS.....\$164,185

Weeks Completed.....44
YTD Requirements.....\$1,716,000
YTD Receipts.....\$1,613,777

***It is a burnt offering to the Lord:
it is a sweet savor, an offering
made by fire unto the Lord.
Exodus 29:18***

MIDWEEK WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Wednesdays

Seven Points Campus

Fellowship Dinner

CLC 4:45 pm

Awana

CLC 5:45 pm

Bible Study/Prayer

CLC 5:45 pm

Youth Midweek

The Den 6:00 pm

Thursdays

Broadway Campus

Celebrate Recovery

6:00-7:00 pm