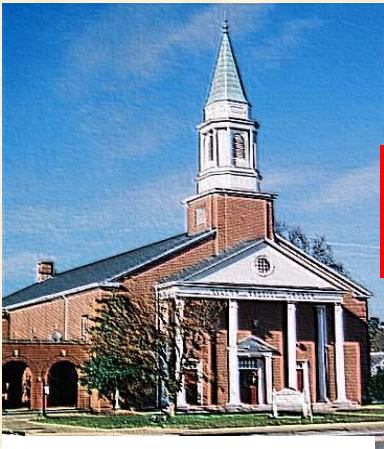


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### ***Knowing God***

Do you know God? What does it mean to “know” God? There are three different levels that we can know God.

*Acquaintance level* – Knowing God means to encounter Him at certain pivotal times in life. It could be at an especially moving worship service or perhaps in a life crisis.

In that moment we really do sense something different and may even go as far as to make a shallow commitment. But in our daily life, there is very little – if any – change.

*Affectionate level* – Knowing God is not just experiencing a moment of spiritual excitement but a commitment to be actively involved with God. Friends spend time together and are involved in each other's lives. At this level, we are involved with God – to a point.

We come to church and may even participate in its activities. We try from time to time to have a daily quiet time and attempt to be disciplined in spiritual habits. In other words, we are really working at this friendship.

However, if the friendship level is as deep as we ever go in the pursuit of a relationship with God, sooner or later we will long for something more, because we were created for an intimate relationship with God.

*Abiding level* – When Jesus says we can “know” Him, He is talking about a “marriage level” relationship. The first time that “know” is used in the Bible is in Genesis 4:1 – “Now Adam knew Eve his wife, and she conceived and bore Cain”.

When the Bible talks about “knowing” someone, it is not only referring to a physical knowledge, but to an even deeper level of intimacy. Many of us settle for a nodding acquaintance or a mere surface affection with the Father, when what He really desires and what we really need is the abiding level relationship.

There are many people in the Bible who had that kind of relationship with God. David was a man after God's own heart. Moses spoke with God face to face. Mary, Martha and Lazarus were close, personal friends of Jesus. The disciples served beside Him day in and day out.

You and I can have what those people had! Do you know Him?

Jesus' prayer for you in John 17:3 says “*Now this is eternal life: that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent.*”

*On the grace journey together with you, Lynwood*

**101 Main Street  
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**This Week at HBC**

**The Hilton Baptist Church Record  
February 20, 2012**

<u>Sunday School and Worship Report</u>	
Sunday School Enrollment.....	182
Contacts.....	18
Visitors.....	4
Total present.....	79
Last Week.....	83
Worship February 19.....	127
<u>HBC Counting Report February 19, 2012</u>	
8-200 Future Growth.....	\$150.00
8-102 Wednesday Night Supper.....	\$193.00
8-107 Lottie Moon.....	\$100.00
8-103 Drink Machine.....	\$10.00
Men's Brotherhood.....	\$42.00
8-700 Youth Ministry.....	\$40.00
Total Designated Receipts.....	\$535.00
Budget Designated (envelope initial offering).....	\$13.00
Total Budget Receipts.....	\$5295.00
Total Deposit.....	\$5830.00

***Hilton Singing Saints***

February 27  
2 pm Chesapeake

March 5  
2 pm Mennowood

**February 22nd**  
**Wednesday Night Dinner**  
**5:15 pm**  
**TBA**

Adults \$5.00 Children \$3.00  
Family of 4 or more \$15.00  
Call the church office for  
reservations

*For God so loved the world,  
that he gave his only begotten Son,  
that whosoever believeth in him  
should not perish,  
but have everlasting life.*  
*John 3:16*



To The Hilton Family,

*I really appreciate the desk clock/desk set along with the gift certificates to Outback. Ronnie Greene did a nice job on his "speech". Also thank you for the reception and the generous love offering. It really helped with a large transmission replacement bill. Each of you have a special place in our memories during the 13 plus years we spent in ministry with you. Please continue to remember us in your thoughts and prayers as we seek new ministry or an employment opportunity, nothing yet. As we will also be in prayer for you.*

*In His Love  
The Aadahls*

Cookbooks are still for sale \$12.00 each. Please see Brenda Winstead or the church

office for more information



I can do  
ALL THINGS  
through  
CHRIST  
Who  
STRENGTHENS  
ME Phil 4:13



## HBC Youth Ministry

Wednesday Nights at 6:00pm

Sunday Mornings at 9:15

Come and bring a friend! Great things are happening!



Thursday, March 17th Tickets \$10.00 at the door.

Doors open at 6, Concert at 7

Featuring: Newsong, Sanctus Real, Peter Furler, Dara Maclean, Building 429 and more

Please see Pastor Lynwood if you are interested in going

FYI....

Link will pick up and recycle any metal items such as stoves, washers, dryers, lawnmowers, air conditioners and small metal items that you have. Just give them a call. 595-1953

*This is the day that  
the Lord has made  
let us rejoice and be glad.*

*Psalm 118:24*

**Senior Adult Spring Fling**

Thursday, April 5th

9:30—Lunch

At the Chesapeake

Main Attraction: Peninsula

Retired Men's Band

Cost: \$15.00

Contact Mike Haywood for more info

596-4587

**Next Church****Business Meeting**

Wednesday, Feb. 29th 6:15pm

**Upcoming Meetings in February**

Feb 20— Facilities Décor 9:30 am

Feb 21— Discipleship Team 6:30

Feb 22— VBS Meeting

Feb 27— Fac Bldg &amp; Grds 6:30pm

**This Week at HBC****Monday, February 20th**

9:30 am Facilities Décor Work Day

10:00 am Mission Action Team Mtg

**Tuesday, February 21st**

6:30 pm Discipleship Mtg

**Wednesday, February 22nd**

5:15 pm Wednesday Night Supper

6:15 pm GA Recognition

6:15 pm RA's

6:00 pm-7:30 pm Youth Bible  
Study

6:15 pm NC Practice

7:30 pm Adult Choir Practice

VBS Planning Meeting

**Thursday, February 23rd**

Sandwiches for Salvation Army

See you in Church Sunday!

**Weekly Assignment  
Schedule****Greeters****February 26**-Pam & Roger Cooke**March 4**- Debbie & Joyce Greene**Lock Up****February 26**-Tim Humphries**March 4**- Charles Vassar**Van Driver****February 26**- Susie Adams**March 4**- Lloyd Ware**Nursery Workers****February 26**- SS Pat Painter

Worship- Sue Monfalcone

**March 4**- SS Denise Thornton

Worship- Jason and Kizzy Moriah

**Children's Church 'Peace Makers'****February 26**- Tracy Venable**March 4**- Kathy Caskie

&amp; Kathy Devol

**Sound Operators****February 26**- Art Halk**March 4**- Tim Humphreys**Usher****February 26**- Joe Wircenske**March 4**- Brian Fries**Deacon of the Week****February 26** -Bob Spiers**March 4**- Pam Cooke

*If you can not be present for your date,  
please contact a replacement  
person.*

**Night of Worship—West Hampton Baptist Church**

Friday, March 23 7:30pm FREE

This is a night for Jesus! A night of song and praise. Singing songs from Christ Tomlin, Hillsong, David Crowder Band and more. Scripture Reading and prayer.

Come and Worship !

**July 4th through August 4th, 2012****Teach English in China!**

Volunteers are needed for the Amity Foundation's "Summer English Program". Every year Virginia Baptist send a team of four to facilitate conversational English classes for Chinese schoolteachers. You do not have to be a professional school teacher but a college degree is required.

The cost is \$3000.

Contact Craig Wadell at the Virginia Baptist Mission Board

for more information. 804-921-5604 or 804-915-2455

**All WMU Ladies and Baptist Men**

Christy Wilkinson, Administrative Assistant and Innkeeper for Eastover Retreat Center will be our quest speaker for the WMU Meeting on March 6th at 11:00am. Baptist men are invited to attend.

It would be so helpful to bring the requested items listed below by March 6th. This would eliminate an extra trip to Eastover later in the month.

Items needed: Postage stamps, Post it Notes, all size batteries, gallon size bleach and dryer sheets.

February

Peninsula  
Rescue  
Mission



Jelly and  
Peanut Butter  
  
Church Pantry



Calling all Ladies, The WMU would love to have you!



The objective of the Women's Missionary Union is commitment to God's plan to reach our world with His offer of Salvation.

All women are invited to come and be a part of this exciting ministry. Please see Mary Hall or Jean Parker for information.

**February**

Feb 23 Sandwiches for Salvation Army  
Feb 28 9:30 am WOM Council Mtg



**"Operation Education"**

We will still be collecting the following for a local school until the end of February. Copy Paper, Large Construction Paper, Crayons, Pencils-

Regular or fat, Tissues, Hand

Sanitizer, Children's Sock, small and medium underwear

Size 5 to 8 sweat pants

Thank you for your help with this project!



*We would like to extend our deepest sympathy to the family of Mary Wright who passed away this week. We will keep you in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.*

*She was a very special person and will be missed by us all.*

*The HBC Family*

If you purchase gas for the church vans, please contact Dreama in the church office

for important changes in purchasing. Thank you

## ***Total Commitment to Jesus***

When men first learned to navigate the seas by using the stars, a whole new world opened up to them. A common saying in those days was, “He who is a slave to the compass enjoys the freedom of the open sea.”

Make a total commitment to let Christ be your compass in life. Consult Him on every step you take. Let Him set your course and He will direct you to places of freedom and fulfillment you never knew existed. Be willing to say, like Paul, ‘...it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me.’ (Galatians 2:20 NKJV)



One night Toscanini, the famous Italian conductor, led the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra in Beethoven’s Ninth Symphony, a very difficult piece to conduct. So majestic was the music that the audience stood for ten minutes of applause. Toscanini took his bows again and again. He turned to the orchestra; they bowed. The audience continued to clap and cheer. Finally Toscanini turned his back on the audience and speaking only to the orchestra said, “Ladies and gentlemen, I am nothing, you are nothing, Beethoven is everything!”

CS Lewis wrote, “To love and admire anything outside yourself is to take one step away from utter spiritual ruin; though, we shall not be well so long as we love and admire anything more than we love and admire God.” So, kneel at the feet of Jesus today and say, “*I am nothing; You are everything. Here are my gifts, my resources and my dreams. I lay them at Your feet. I give them all to You, holding **nothing** back.*”

## ***The Bees Wings***



Beekeepers know that a bee’s age is determined by the condition of its wings. Because bees constantly work, their wings get a lot of wear and tear. Young bees have wide, well-formed wings, whereas older bees have narrow, torn, and tattered wings. The bee does not die of old age. It dies when its wings are completely worn out and it can no longer work or fly. Near the point of death, the bee points itself away from the beehive and begins to fly, never to return again.

The bee literally wears itself out working! There is a spiritual lesson here for us. As Christians, we must be diligent servants, doing the work of the Lord. When Jesus evaluated the spiritual condition of the seven churches of Asia (Revelation 2-3), their degree of acceptance was directly proportional to the kind and amount of work they were doing.

Paul admonishes us in 1 Corinthians 15:58, saying to the church, “*Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.*”

## *Parables*



### ***Learning to Get Back Up***

Bringing a giraffe into the world is a tall order. A baby giraffe falls 10 feet from its mother's womb and usually lands on its back. Within seconds it rolls over and tucks its legs under its body. From this position it considers the world for the first time and shakes off the last vestiges of the birthing fluid from its eyes and ears. Then the mother giraffe rudely introduces its offspring to the reality of life.

In his book, *A View from the Zoo*, Gary Richmond describes how a newborn giraffe learns its first lesson.

The mother giraffe lowers her head long enough to take a quick look.

Then she positions herself directly over her calf. She waits for about a minute, and then she does the most unreasonable thing. She swings her long, pendulous leg outward and kicks her baby, so that it is sent sprawling head over heels.

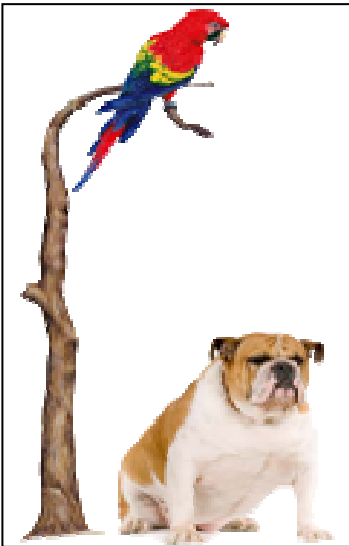
When it doesn't get up, the violent process is repeated over and over again. The struggle to rise is momentous. As the baby calf grows tired, the mother kicks it again to stimulate its efforts. Finally, the calf stands for the first time on its wobbly legs.

Then the mother giraffe does the most remarkable thing. She kicks it off its feet again. Why? She wants it to remember how it got up. In the wild, baby giraffes must be able to get up as quickly as possible to stay with the herd, where there is safety. Lions, hyenas, leopards, and wild hunting dogs all enjoy young giraffes, and they'd get it too, if the mother didn't teach her calf to get up quickly and get with it.

The late Irving Stone understood this. He spent a lifetime studying greatness, writing novelized biographies of such men as Michelangelo, Vincent van Gogh, Sigmund Freud, and Charles Darwin.

Stone was once asked if he had found a thread that runs through the lives of all these exceptional people. He said, "I write about people who sometime in their life have a vision or dream of something that should be accomplished and they go to work.

"They are beaten over the head, knocked down, vilified, and for years they get nowhere. But every time they're knocked down they stand up. You cannot destroy these people. And at the end of their lives they've accomplished some modest part of what they set out to do."



***The Last Impression***

Wanda's dishwasher quit working so she called a repairman. Since she had to go to work the next day, she told the repairman, "I'll leave the key under the mat. Fix the dishwasher, leave the bill on the counter, and I'll mail you a check.

"Oh, by the way, don't worry about my bulldog. He won't bother you. But, whatever you do, do NOT, under ANY circumstances, talk to my parrot! I REPEAT, DO NOT TALK TO MY PARROT!!!"

When the repairman arrived at Wanda's apartment the following day, he discovered the biggest, meanest-looking bulldog he had ever seen. But, just as she had said, the dog just lay there on the carpet, watching the repairman go about his work.

The parrot, however, drove him nuts the whole time with his incessant yelling and name-calling. Finally, the repairman couldn't contain himself any longer and yelled, "Shut up, you stupid, ugly bird!"

To which the parrot replied, "Get him, Spike!"



***Interested in Chess?***

***Learning how to play?***

***We have a willing instructor with vast amounts of skill and experience – our own Harald Edighoffer!***

***Also... Stay posted for some exciting info on an upcoming championship chess tournament at HBC between Harald and Moses!***

***God is doing some exciting new and powerful things through the faithful people of God at HBC...***

***Please remember your commitments and giving and be part of the miracle!***



***“Flood - Livin’ Large!”***  
**New Youth Series!**  
**Wednesday Nights 6:00pm**

**Livin' Large** for students lights the road to purpose from personal discovery, to understanding Jesus as revolutionary, and ultimately to a better understanding of their own wiring. **Livin' Large** engages students at the most intimate and thought-altering levels: What is my purpose? What is life? How do I live with passion? What is God's mission for me? Who am I?

1. The Purpose of Life (02/22)
2. Jesus the revolutionary (02/29)
3. Taking It to the Next Level (03/07)
4. Life on Mission (03/14)
5. True Life0 (03/21)
6. Your Unique Wiring (03/28)

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***“Mystery Awakened” –***  
***You won’t want to miss it!***  
**Sunday Mornings 9:15am**

***“Flood – ‘Mystery Awakened’”*** - An exciting series instills a desire to accept God's call into students' lives, move into greater spiritual depths, and chart the unknown within their hearts.



- The Mystery of the Gospel (02/26)
- The Mystery of the Heart (03/04)
- The Mystery of God (03/11)
- The Mystery of Redemption (03/18)



**New “Young Couple’s Class  
“i” Marriage  
by Andy Stanley**

***(We need interested couples and also a teacher(s) /  
facilitator(s) to help lead this class –  
Could that be you?)***

Since childhood, most couples dream of a perfect marriage—envisioning a wonderful spouse, lovely children, comfortable house, blessed finances, and attained goals. Those desires, dreams, and wishes began as God-given desires but later on, coming into a marriage, were translated into expectations and unmet needs.

In this (6)-part DVD sessions, we discuss three (3) key teachings—

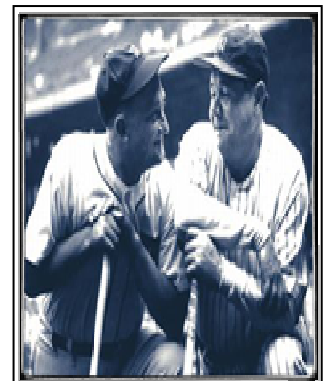
- 1- Keeping My “I” on You**
- 2- Putting Your “I” Out**
- 3- It Takes Three**

These lessons are on transforming your expectations and focusing onto God in order to experience the kind of marriage God originally designed it to be. *iMarriage* is conceptualized because the “I” (oneself) almost always have massive desires for a marriage and the other “I” (your spouse) also have his/her own desires. These two “I” desires became expectations and left unmet, will force one or both parties to be unhappy in the marriage. Andy Stanley’s *iMarriage* teaches on how to turn a contractual marital agreement into a covenantal union being unconditional in every sense ordained by God.

***Failure is Not Final***

Ty Cobb and Babe Ruth were two of the greatest baseball players of all time. Ty Cobb was known for his record number of stolen bases, and Babe Ruth for his record number of home runs.

What you may not know is that Ty Cobb was also thrown out more than any other man in baseball trying to steal bases. And Babe Ruth struck out more than any other man in baseball! These fellows didn’t let their failures stop them, and neither should you!



Maybe you or someone you know is feeling discouraged today. Remind them or yourself of this promise – *“I can do everything through him who gives me strength.” (Philippians 4:13)*



***Calling All Youth and  
Parents...***

***How does 5 days away at  
Ridgecrest Retreat Center  
June 25-30 sound?***

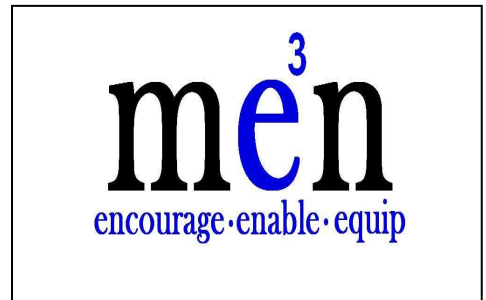
***Plans for the "FUGE" Combo  
Camp will be forthcoming in  
the next few weeks!***

At a FUGE Combo camp, we can choose from Centrifuge staff led Bible study and recreation, M-Fuge staff led mission experiences, or keep our students together for a week of group bonding at XFUGE and XFUGE on Mission. Whatever combination we choose, an unforgettable summer is in store for us!

ADDED VALUE: Adult Training by LifeWay Student Ministry Trainers available at Ridgecrest Conference Center.

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**ALL Interested  
HBC Men -  
Encourage, Enable, Equip!  
Our Next Meeting  
Sunday - February 26<sup>th</sup> - 7:00pm**



**MEN<sup>3</sup> Encourage – Enable - Equip!  
Sunday evenings at Pastor Lynwood's house.**

As a follow-up to our men's seminar last year, a small men's group (both married & single / dads & non-dads / younger & older) is meeting at Pastor Lynwood's house 7:00pm every other Sunday evening for a time of Bible Study, discussion of men's issues, food prayer and fellowship (*.. and occasionally a little TV sports updates during critical games!*)

We are offering this as a special time for the men of HBC who are interested in strengthening their relationship with the Lord and other men in our church family.

## ***The Secret To Forgiveness***

Have you ever tried to forgive someone and found you simply couldn't do it? You've cried about it and prayed about it and asked God to help you. But, those old feelings of resentment just failed to go away.

Put an end to those kinds of failures in the future by basing your forgiveness on faith rather than feelings. True forgiveness doesn't have anything at all to do with how you feel. It's an act of the will. It is based on obedience to God and on faith in Him.



That means once you've forgiven a person, you need to consider him permanently forgiven! When old feelings rise up within you and Satan tries to convince you that you haven't really forgiven, resist him. Say, "No, I've already forgiven that person by faith. I refuse to dwell on those old feelings."

Then, according to 1 John 1:9, believe that you receive forgiveness and cleansing from the sin of unforgiveness and from all unrighteousness associated with it including any remembrance of having been wronged.

Have you ever heard anyone say, "I may forgive, but I'll never forget!" That's a second-rate kind of forgiveness that you, as a believer, are never supposed to settle for. You're to forgive *supernaturally* "even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you." (Ephesians 4:32)

You're to forgive as God forgives – to release that person from guilt permanently and unconditionally and to operate as if nothing bad ever happened between you. You're to purposely forget as well as forgive.

As you do that, something supernatural will happen within you.

The pain once caused by that incident will disappear. The power of God will wash away the effects of it, and you'll be able to leave it behind you once and for all.

Don't become an emotional bookkeeper, keeping careful accounts of the wrongs you have suffered. Learn to forgive and forget. It will open a whole new world of blessing for you.

1 Corinthians 13:5 says that "love... is not touchy or fretful or resentful; it takes no account of the evil done to it pays no attention to a suffered wrong." Learn to love and forgive in this way!