

The Hilton Baptist Church Record
Lynwood Wells, Pastor
October 3 2017

HBC Counting Report for October 3, 2017

8-102 Wednesday Night Supper.....	\$146.00
8-110 World Hunger.....	\$82.00
8-145 Cash in Cash out Comeback Church Book.....	\$20.00
8-200 Future Growth.....	\$52.00
8-403 Food Closet.....	\$210.00
8-412 Pure Water.....	\$10.00
Budget Designated- Community Dinner.....	\$26.00
Budget Offerings.....	\$3260.00
Total Deposit.....	\$3806.00

Sunday School Attendance 56—one class no report
 Contacts: 40 Worship Attendance 82

The 2017 Bazaar was a great success....thanks to everyone that helped. We could not have done it without all of our church family working together.

Below is the amount of money that we have collected so far. This will go up a little bit because people are still picking up their silent auction items.

Vendor fees that were paid \$1740.00
 Quilt Raffle \$648.00
 Silent Auction \$716.00
 Food \$958.00
 Cookbook Sales \$30.00
 Bake Sale \$955.40
Total \$5047.40



If you would like to fill a shoebox...there is still time! We have 21 so far.

Please see Pat Painter, Pam Cooke or Dreama for more information.

Pray for our Missionaries

Alabama- Jacob Elliott
 California- Junheon Ko,
 Jorvon Smith
 Colorado- William Gandy
 Kansas- Mark Jackson
 Nevada- Eric McDaniel
 Ohio- Kathy Townley
 Central Asian People- JS, LC
 East Asian People- SH
 European People- MR
 Northern African and Middle
 Eastern People- JL
 South Asian People- JC, RB
 Southeast Asian People- AN, HH,
 KG, SL
 Sub- Saharan African People-
 HJ, SN
 BS, DS

Alma Hunt Offering

Church Goal: \$2500.00

HBC Collected to date:
 \$1666.00

Alma Hunt
 Offering for Virginia Missions



Thank you..
 Thank you..
 Thank you...

Special thanks to all the ladies who provided yummy snacks for the CNU Collide Students. They were so appreciated. Thank you for your all that you did...they loved it!

October

CNU
"Collide"
Snacks



Church Pantry

Food Pantry

Thanks to all who brought food for the food drive. We collected 94 pounds of food....THANKS!

We have fed 1293 people since January from the Food Pantry. God has blessed us to be able to have this ministry. Please pray for the people that meet with the guests that come.

If you would like to be a part of this ministry please see Sue Monfalcone or call the church office



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**OUR ON GOING
 MISSION....**

Weekly Assignments

Greeters

October 8– Robert Overman
Pam Cooke

October 15– Joe Caskie
Paul Thorne

Ushers

**Please make sure to monitor
the hallways**

October 8– Robbie Ayscue
Roger Cooke

October 15– Ray Moody
Moses Sabb

Lock Up

October 8– Charles Vassar
October 15– Robert Overman

Van Ministry

October 8– Stan Langdon
October 15– Pam Cooke

SS and Children's Church

October 8– Kathy Devol
October 15– Kathy Caskie

Food Distribution this week

October 3– Kathy Moore
Gloria Ammons

October 5– Pat Painter
Betty Powell

October 10– Ann Nickols
Jean Parker

October 12– Cathy Childs
Sue Monfalcone

Nursery Helpers

October 8– Faith Class
October 15– Hope/Tribble Class

Parking Lot Attendants

October 8– Robbie Ayscue– Front PL
Roger Cooke– Back PL

October 15– Ray Moody– Front PL
Moses Sabb– Bank PL

This week at HBC

Tuesday– October 3rd

10am WMU Meeting
1pm– 3pm Food Distribution

Wednesday, October 4th

5:30 pm Wednesday Night
Fellowship Supper
6:15 pm NC Practice
6:00 pm Youth
6:15 pm Prayer Meeting

Thursday, October 5th

1pm– 3pm Food Distribution

Sunday– October 8th

9am Sunday School
10am Worship Celebration
6:00pm Bible Study in Media
Center

757-364-0428



www.hiltonbaptistchurch.org
Under the giving tab

Happy Birthday in October

- 1– Darrell Collier
- 2– Roberta Ayscue
Ricky Bennett
Dwain Taylor
- 5– Dave Peake
- 6– Charles Shofner
Jeseca Pilkington
- 7– Rachel Reisbeck



Time to start planning for TRUNK or TREAT. It is a great time to come together and show the love of Jesus to our local Community.

October 31st at 5:30pm(set up)- 7:30pm Always a lot of fun.

Please come and be a part!

If you plan on having a car in Trunk or Treat would you please sign up in the Connection Center. This way we will know how many people will be participating.

Happy Hearts
Tuesday October 10th
10:30am

MUSIC BY NICK



We will be having a 45 minute concert by Barbara Caffacus's Son. He will play and sing the BEST POPULAR CLASSICS from many decades. A little bit of Country and some Rock n' Rock.

Everyone is welcome to come!

We are asking everyone to bring a covered dish and we will eat together for lunch. Looking forward to a great day! You will not want to miss it!

When we had the Back to School Bash we had some supplies that were left over. We kept enough to give out at the Christmas Workshop and gave the rest to Booker Elementary School. We received this note from them this week

Our Staff and administration would like to thank your congregation for donating school supplies to our students and families. Your generous donation helps our students to come to school prepared, but also allows us to provide many with homework packets! These packets allow students to complete homework and projects. Thank you Hilton Baptist Church for supporting ALL of our public school students.
Bookers Elementary School.

**PBA Annual Meeting
Be Fruitful!
October 23rd and October 24th
Parkview Baptist Church**

Monday, October 23rd

6:30pm "A Night of Music and Messages"

Come hear messages from several of our pastors along with inspiring worship music!

Tuesday, October 24th

3:00pm Annual Business Season

Come hear reports and make important decisions for the coming year.

5:00pm BBQ Dinner- Come share fellowship and a delicious dinner at the church. \$10.00. You must RSVP to PBA or call Dreama and she will take care of it for you.

6:30pm Vision of Fruitfulness

Come join in worship led by Parkview Praise Team and a time of sharing from the PBA staff.

Everyone that would like to attend this Study is welcome to. All area local churches were invited by St. Andrews.

Islam for Christians– Thursday Evenings 7:00– 8:00pm
September 21– October 26
St Andrews Episcopal Church

Lecture will last 45 minutes with a time for questions after. Very informational. If you want to learn more about Islam you should go

Shoes for Link

We are
collecting shoes for LINK!
Any kind, children, men
and woman Put them in
Prior Hall on stage! Thanks
for your help
in this project!



Attention!
If you are in a room in
the church and the
light is out please let
Denise or the office
know so these prob-
lems can be taken
care of promptly.

Thank you for your help!

**BGAV Annual Meeting
Hampton Roads Convention Center
& Ivy Memorial Baptist Church, (evening Worship)
November 13th – 15th**

Ministry Fair, Regional Meetings, Breakout Sessions, Worship and much more. Exact schedules are not out yet. You can check the website for more information, BGAV.org/meeting.

More information will be put in the Forecast/Bulletin as it becomes available.

**100th year anniversaries of
Hilton Village and Hilton Baptist Church**

Do you have any ideas? Contact
Team Members– Roger Cooke (chair) Sue
Monfalcone, Hilda Laubach Margaret Upole, Bob
Spiers, Denise Vassar and Pam Cooke.



**Wednesday Night
Fellowship Dinner
September 27th, 2017
BBQ**

Adults \$5.00/ Children \$3.00
Everyone welcome
OUTREACH TEAM
is helping in kitchen

PLEASE PLEASE NOTE!

If you are not on the
permanent list and you will
be attending Wednesday for
Dinner, please let the office
know by Monday. We want
to be sure that we have
enough food. We love it
when a lot of people come
but want to be sure we have
enough.

**"Serve The City"
Fall Serve Event
"Safety & Crime Prevention"
October 7, 8:30-12:00 pm**

Replace porch light bulbs & smoke
detector batteries

Check-in at the HRCAP Clark Center
392 Maple Ave, NN

Fried Chicken Lunch 12:00-2:00!

Register at
www.STCnewportnews.com or with
Pam Cooke



"Serving Our local Community with the Love of Jesus"



Dependent Upon God's Blessing!

In his book *Turning Points*, historian Mark Noll has identified a dozen “decisive moments in the history of Christianity.” They range from the fall of Jerusalem in A.D. 70 to the Council of Nicaea in 325 to the conversion of the Wesleys in 1738 to the Edinburgh Missionary Conference in 1910, and the Charismatic movement of the last century.

In each of these pivotal events, the church stood at a crossroads involving and interweaving history, doctrine, and sociopolitical and cultural forces and trends. The decisions and actions of key leaders at these times, under God's sovereignty, shaped the future of the church for years to come.

As we have seen over the past few weeks, the book of Haggai is the story of a turning point in the spiritual life of God's people. They had gone from neglecting the new temple and the spiritual state of their own hearts to obediently rebuilding the temple and joyfully participating in genuine worship. They had moved from self-centered to God-centered, and as a result were poised to experience His blessing on their harvests and community.

This week's final message is addressed to Zerubbabel, and it parallels the messianic passage earlier in the chapter (vv. 6-9). The first part reaffirms that God is sovereign and has a plan for the nations (vv. 21-22). The second part portrays Zerubbabel as a “signet ring” on God's hand (v. 23). One meaning of this image was that God would bless Zerubbabel as a leader, as opposed to King Jehoiachin, who as a “signet ring” had been discarded.

A second meaning of this picture was that Zerubbabel was a type or foreshadowing of Christ. Generally, a king's signet ring carries the authority of the king, just as Christ the Son is equivalent in authority to God the Father. From our vantage point in history, we know that Zerubbabel was in the line of David and an ancestor of Jesus. Zerubbabel, then, was chosen by God to lead in a special task, rebuilding the temple, at a key time in history, and both who he was and what he did had spiritual significance beyond that time, just as God had planned.

We know that Jesus the Messiah has come, and He will come again. We can have hope and confidence! *“While we wait for the blessed hope—the glorious appearing of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ,” we are “to say ‘No’ to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives” so as to become “a people that are [Christ’s] very own, eager to do what is good” (Titus 2:11-14).*

In response to the cry of our faith, Christ says, “Yes, I am coming soon.’ To which John responds yes... ‘Amen. Come, Lord Jesus” (Rev. 22:20).

On the grace journey together with you, Lynwood



Fooled By Illusions

Now we see things imperfectly, like puzzling reflections in a mirror, but then we will see everything with perfect clarity. All that I know now is partial and incomplete, but then I will know everything completely, just as God now knows me completely. 1 Corinthians 13:12

In 1846, when he was 52 years old, Stephen Kearny was given command of the U.S. Army of the West. His assignment: To explore and secure control of the Western U.S. This frequently arduous assignment brought his army through many dangers. They encountered deserts, rivers, and seemingly endless prairies.

Critical to their success was seeing clearly, knowing what was ahead, being prepared, and making the best decisions about the path to take.

In his book about the American West, Hampton Sides describes how Kearny's army faced particular challenges in mountain regions. “Climbing imperceptibly into a thinner, drier atmosphere, the men found it harder to judge distances.” They found themselves “tricked by optical illusions” and mirages.

One soldier provided this description: “Nothing appears as it is. About a mile distant from us appeared a crystal lake, studded with numerous islands, so perfectly defined that no one could imagine it to be anything else than a real lake. Though prepared for the illusion, many of the men believed it real.”

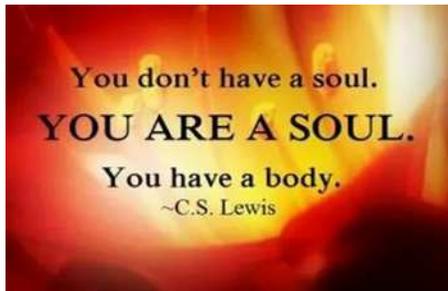
Many people go through life fooled by illusions, even depending on the way things just appear.

The Bible encourages us to realize that there are many ways we can be deceived by illusions. That things can appear different than they really are. Jesus warned how easy it can be to make distorted evaluations of others. He warned us why we need to ask God for discernment, about others, about ourselves, about the circumstances we face, and about the world.

In your life, ask God for clarity and wisdom. Ask that you might not be fooled by illusions and the way things appear, but might see the world through His eyes.

Consider the following prayer...

“Father, I seek Your wisdom and discernment. Help me to see things in the world the way You see them. In Jesus’ name. Amen. Pray for discernment for Pastor Lynwood and entire HBC Vision Team as they lead us to the next level of where God would have us be!”



“Spiritual Beings Having A Human Experience...”

*“We are not human beings having a spiritual experience. We are spiritual beings having a human experience.”
~ Teilhard de Chardin*

How easy it is to get confused with the perspectives and priorities of our lives – And when we do we become the most miserable of all people!

Let’s face it. We are all born and we all will die. And in between we eat and sleep, work and play, dress ourselves, drive in cars, pay bills, mow our lawns, raise children, marry, divorce, fill out paperwork, earn degrees, are hired and fired, on and on...

In the midst of all the physical events our spirits are growing. Our spirits are being shaped. We learn and explore, we open up, we shut down, we experience grief, we experience healing, and hopefully through the many ups and downs of our internal experience we learn to love.

When we are children and growing up we possess an innocence that as we continue to grow up is lost piece by piece by the negative influences of this world, like fear, and competition, selfishness and greediness. This is the ultimate sin of not becoming the people God created us to be.

We find out that the money, the looks and the ego don’t bring happiness to our spirit. Our true journey for inner peace only begins when we decide to follow Jesus Christ. No, I do not mean the socially accepted, substitute form of Christianity casually embraced by so many today. I am referring to the authentic, cross carrying, sacrificial experience of putting Christ first in our lives and priorities.

Every pilgrimage has a final destination. Christians who are authentic about the struggles of this life will also be hungry and authentic about the perfection of the next.

In Lewis's *The Great Divorce*, travelers from hell step off a bus onto heaven's grass. It is so razor-sharp, so real, that it cuts their tender feet: "The men were as they had always been ... it was the light, the grass, the trees that were different; made of some different substance, so much solidier than things in our country that men were ghosts by comparison."

For Christians, our true self is found in Christ, and we are on a pilgrimage to become more like him. As 1 John 3:2 says: *"We are now children of God, and what we will be has not yet appeared."*

A greater reality awaits... authentic Christ-following!



God Is Love

First John 4:8 says, *“The one who does not love does not know God, for God is love.” It is not only that God loves, but He is love!* That fact about God is manifested in His sending His only begotten Son into the world so that we might live through Him (see 1 John 4:9). *See how great a love the Father has bestowed upon us, that we would be called children of God; and such we are...(1 John 3:1).*

Love has its source in God. All of God’s attributes, such as omnipotence, omniscience, and omnipresence, are a foundation for Him to express who He is—and He is love! He has the power to love in ways beyond our human ability to conceive because He is all-powerful. He can creatively and knowledgably love because He knows everything.

The measure of His love is limitless because He is infinite. His love will never end or change because He is eternal and immutable. The revelation that God is love has the power to obliterate every legalistic stronghold and any lingering sense of alienation from God that any believer has lived with or suffered through because of religion.

“But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us” (Rom. 5:8). Without certainty or guarantee, He “believed” that such a demonstration of His love for us would be responded to and reciprocated! It is the very nature of God to love.

God’s love toward us is unconditional. It initiates our relationship with Him. He loves us before we perform! He loves us even if we don’t perform. Performance, if anything, is more to better our own lives, and in no way betters His love for us. Our love for Him is a response to His love for us, not the other way around. We can love because only *“because the love of God has been poured out within our hearts through the Holy Spirit who was given to us”* (Rom. 5:5). His love is unconditional. Feelings may be conditional; affection may be conditional; trust may be conditional. God’s love is unconditional! He loves the world even if the world rejects Him.

Nothing can separate us from God’s love. Let me repeat that, nothing can separate us from God’s love! In Romans, Paul says: *For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor any other created thing, will be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord* (Romans 8:38-39).

I am convinced, as was the apostle Paul, that absolutely nothing can separate us from God’s love. He will not allow it! *The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all* (2 Corinthians 13:14).



Sunday Mornings 9:00am
Wednesday Nights 6:00pm
Saturday Nights – “Fervor!” 6:30pm

Join Pastor Tee and others for these dynamic Youth Bible studies with the best of contemporary small-group interaction. Helping students identify distortions in vital areas of life, and see with greater clarity and truth about God, themselves and others... in terms to which they can relate!



**Pray for
 Pastor Tee & Our HBC
 Youth
 That they will continue
 to grow in the grace and
 knowledge of God!**



“SUPERNATURAL”

Exciting New
 Message Series
 Begins Next Week!

A great opportunity to invite family
 and friends to experience HBC
 like never before!

**A SPECIAL THANKS TO...
 Denise & Charles Vassar
 and the ENTIRE HBC
 volunteer team for making our
 FALL CRAFT AND VENDOR FAIR
 such a tremendous success!**



**COMEBACK
 CHURCHES**

HOW 300 CHURCHES TURNED
 AROUND AND YOURS CAN TOO

**WEDNESDAYS
 6:15pm**

**We are studying
 “How To Become A
 Comeback Church!”**

Get your book today ...
 \$10 suggested donation



Don't be a Cheetah

*"...let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us."
– Hebrews 12:1*

A PBS webpage noted the following about the cheetah:

"Running as fast as 70 miles per hour over short distances, the cheetah is the fastest mammal on Earth."

"Swiftly rushing to make its kill, the cheetah uses its great speed to run down prey after stalking it closely. Yet in spite of its quickness, some victims get away. A fast starter, the cheetah lacks stamina and tires quickly, able only to maintain top speed for a few hundred yards."

"...a fast starter, the cheetah lacks stamina and tires quickly..."

The description sounds like some Christ-followers I've known, myself included. If following Christ was like a highway, I believe the shoulders of that highway would be littered with people who had started out well, but quickly broke down along the journey.

In my own early days of ministry involvement, I know I was cheetah-like; a fast starter with lots of energy. I thought that charisma and drive alone would be enough to overcome the Enemy. Like many others, I learned that these things only carry you so far before the gas tanks of ministry and personal spiritual growth run dry. And yet, it is a lesson that I, from time to time, seem to have to relearn again and again.

The journey of the Christ-follower has been compared to a marathon rather than a sprint—and I believe that the same comparison applies to all who serve in ministry – from the new ministry volunteer to the professional clergy. Most importantly, it applies to every person who is called to walk the walk of faith, and run th race that is set before us.

In the long run, stamina, perseverance and faithfulness produce more effective ministry and spiritual maturity than high-energy ministry that can't be maintained for long. So, remember when it comes to serving Christ, don't be a cheetah! Chart the course, plan for the supplies, and remember the journey of a 1000 mile begins with one step.

How does one keep the gas tank full to be effective on the long journey of the Christian life? The perseverance needed comes through daily commitment, obedience and communion with Christ. He is the source of our strength and our only hope to provide the power needed to serve Him with effectiveness day in and day out. It also comes from the encouragement of others – remember the church run as a team together!

Quasimodo's Replacement

After Quasimodo's death, Bishop Thomas of the cathedral of Notre Dame sent word through the streets of Paris that a new bell ringer was needed. The bishop decided that he would conduct the interviews personally and went up into the belfry to begin the screening process.

After observing while several applicants demonstrated their skills, he decided to call it a day. Just then a lone, armless man approached him and announced that he was there to apply for the bell ringer's job.



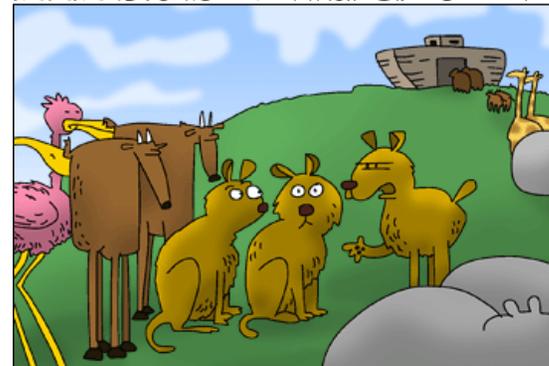
Bishop Thomas was incredulous. 'You have no arms.'

"No matter,' said the man, 'observe!' He then began striking the bells with his face, producing a beautiful melody on the carillon. The bishop listened in astonishment, convinced that he had finally found a suitable replacement for Quasimodo. Suddenly, while rushing forward to strike a bell, the armless man tripped and plunged headlong out of the belfry window to his death in the street below.

The stunned bishop immediately rushed down the stairways. When he reached the street, a crowd had gathered around the fallen figure, drawn by the beautiful music they had heard only moments before. As they silently parted to let the bishop through, one of them asked, 'Bishop, who was this man?'

'I don't know his name,' the bishop sadly replied, 'but his face rings a bell.'

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(See Genesis 6-8) 11-03-2014
LOOK AT THIS GUY ... BREATHING HEAVY FROM YOUR WALK, BLOODSHOT EYES, ROUGH COAT ... YOU GET ONE MATE AND I THINK YOU CAN DO BETTER

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!