

The Hilton Baptist Church Record
Lynwood Wells, Pastor
December 17, 2019

8-102 Wednesday Night Supper.....	\$60.00
8-107 Lottie Moon Offering.....	\$310.00
8-107 Lottie Moon Offering in Honor of Faith Sunday School Teachers	\$100.00
Given by the Faith Class- Jean Parker, Marilyn Hargrove Jamie Bays, Judy France	
8-503 Flowers and Decorations- Poinsettias.....	\$88.00
8-112 Chaplains Fund.....	\$114.70
8-145 Cash in Cash out Quilters for Doors.....	\$300.00
8-145 Cash in Cash Out- COP Rent.....	\$900.00
Sonshine Kids- From Faith Class in Honor of Dreama Johnson.....	\$25.00
Sonshine Kids offering.....	\$15.24
Budget Designated- Utilities Offering.....	\$50.00
Budget Offering.....	\$5546.00
Total Deposit.....	\$7508.94

Christmas Musical and Dinner

We will be having our annual Christmas Musical and Dinner on Saturday, December 21st. Dinner at 6pm.- Dinner requires a \$5.00 ticket. Musical at 700pm - No Charge! Tickets are available from Sue Monfalcone and the church office.



Lottie Moon Christmas Post Office and Offering

Every year we set up a mailbox in the back hall near Prior Hall for the convenience of you sending Christmas Cards to people in the church. Once you

have placed your cards in the box, you can make a donation to the Lottie Moon Offering for the postage. **Don't forget to check the box weekly to see if you have mail.

Southern Baptist churches collect the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for the sole purpose of supporting International Missions. Every penny of the offering goes to the International Mission Board's overseas budget, thus supporting our missionaries and their work. Our church goal \$6000.00 Collected to date : \$2565.00



Pray for our Missionaries: EJ (American People) LM (Central Asian People) JM, JR (East Asian People) Alexandre Garcia, Michael Goodman, FT (European People) Kevin Anderson (Northern African and Middle Eastern People) LB, JC (South Asian People) TG (Southeast Asian People) HF, Aman Majok, Tyson Shapley (Sub-Saharan African People) Jessica Huskey (CA) Wunhee Chung, Kendrick Meredith, (GA) Christopher Castile (IL) Eva Lopez, Michael Sammons (LA) Anna Zimmer, Cale Zimmer (MT) Jamy Smith (RI) Cindy Ward (SD) Casey Lewis (TX)

Week of 12/15

Tuesday- December 17th

1pm- 3pm Food Distribution

Wednesday- December 18th

5:15pm Wednesday Night Supper
 6:00pm Bible Study/ Prayer
 Children Classes

Thursday, December 19th

1pm- 3pm Food Distribution

Saturday, December 20th

6pm Church Christmas Dinner
 7pm Christmas Musical

Sunday, December 21st

9am Sunday School
 10am Worship Service
 Sunshine Kids Church

Greeters

December 22- Brenda Egnot

Jamie Bays

December 29- Robbie Ayscue FPL

Ray Moody- BPL

Usher- monitor halls and parking lot

December 22- Ruth Fries- FPL

Brian Fries- BPL

December 29- Joe Wircenske

Stan Langdon

Lock Up

December 22/25 Paul Thorne

December 29/ Jan 1- Joe Wircenske

Food Distribution this week

December 17- Marilyn Hargrove

Chung Hae Kim

December 19- Margaret Upole

Sue Monfalcone

December 24- No Food Distribution

December 26- No Food Distribution

Nursery Helpers

December 22- Joe Caskie

December 29- Youth and Kids Classes

Sonshine Kids Church

December 22- Jessica Moore

December 29- Tracy Venable

Kids Church- Donna Khan

Van Schedule

December 22- Joe Caskie

December 29- Kirk Crippen

Happy Birthday this week

12/18 Brittany Hudgins

12/18 Derrick Moore

12/19 Meghan St. Ours

12/20 Joyce Spiers

12/21 Joe Hudson



Christmas Eve Service

Don't forget our special Christmas Eve Service at 5:00pm. Invite your family and friends to attend. This is a very special service as we worship the newborn king.

“Serving our community with the love of Jesus”

Poinsettias

We are going to put in a few real poinsettias for anyone that would like to purchase one. These will be available for you to take with you when you leave the Christmas Eve Service. The Poinsettias are suggested cost of \$15.00 and can be placed in honor or in memory of someone. Just place your offering in the envelope and mark it "Poinsettia's" and on the envelope write who you would like to give the poinsettia in memory of or in honor of. The Christmas Sunday Bulletin and Forecast will have a list of anyone that has donated a poinsettia.



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The Gift of Christmas Joy

The joy of Christmas is unique. Happiness is an emotion that can disappear as quickly as it rises to the surface. Joy, however, is a choice.

We have a choice. Especially at Christmas, God gives us the gift of joy that is unconquerable. We can choose to live in an attitude of resentment, anger and fear or we can choose to pursue the joy of Christ. So what is the picture of joy in the Bible?

Joy is trusting when you want to doubt...

"Trust in the LORD forever, because in Yah, the LORD, is an everlasting rock!" (Isaiah 26:4). As Christ followers we aren't pressured to do it all for everyone. We trust in Jesus to do the heavy lifting. The key is trust. We just need to have Mary's response to the coming of Jesus, "'I am the Lord's slave,' said Mary. 'May it be done to me according to your word'" (Luke 1:38).

Can you imagine how the innkeeper would have felt if he said to Mary and Joseph, "Of course you can't stay in that stable! That's for paying customers. Who do you take me for?"

We find joy in making room for people in need. Reflect on the mysterious words found in Hebrews: *"Don't neglect to show hospitality, for by doing this some have welcomed angels as guests without knowing it" (Hebrews 13:2).*

What's the first thing angels say to mortals? It's standard protocol. In just about every divine encounter the angels say: *"Fear not."* I can hear Jesus instruct His most trusted angels. "OK, let's go over this again ... Most of the people that I'll tell you to speak to will be scared out of their wits! So let's practice the greeting one more time." Then the angels would all say in unison, *"Fear not."*

You see, the message is clear. God is not looking for ways to scare us into faith. He drew near to us to relieve the worries we have about crossing over the divide between heaven and earth.

God wants you to know that He's going to take care of you no matter what happens. One of the names that He was called long before he ever stepped on this world's stage was Immanuel meaning *"God with us."*

No matter what you go through we can whisper this simple truth: "Jesus is with me." Think about it. He is with you in your greatest victories and your most humiliating defeats. Jesus is with you at all times in all things.

On the grace journey of Christmas joy with you, Lynwood

A Christmas Word from Pastor Lynwood's heart to yours...

As we come to the conclusion of 2019, I want to take this opportunity to say a special word of "Thanks!" to God and to each of you in the HBC Family for the privilege of serving as your pastor. It has been a wonderful 18 years for me!

With each new birth, wedding graduation and other wonderful life celebrations we have shared my heart and life have been enriched. With each departure and funeral, a part of me has been buried and taken along as well. That's the beautiful circle of life God has given us here on our earthly journey, and especially more so, in the household of faith we call our HBC church family.

Throughout 2019 we used every opportunity to remember and celebrate our past. In the upcoming year of 2020, we begin our second 100 years. It is time now to look forward and to recognize both a bright future and our greatest challenges still lie ahead. We must move forward together with fresh vision and renewed commitment. Otherwise, the blessing of our tomorrows will slip through our fingers like sand and be lost to the wind.

My prayer for you and yours, and our church in 2020, is that we will continue to grow and work together in the grace, love and knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ – so that when our journey is done, we will hear... "Well done, good and faithful servants!"

Much Love to you, this Christmas and always, Lynwood

An advertisement for a Christmas Eve service. It features three lit white candles on the left. The text on the right reads: "Christmas Eve" in a large, elegant script font, followed by "CANDLE LIGHT SERVICE" in a smaller, all-caps sans-serif font. Below that is "DECEMBER 24TH" in a large, all-caps sans-serif font, and "5:00 P.M." in a smaller, all-caps sans-serif font. At the bottom, a quote reads: "The Most Beautiful & Inspiring 55 Minute Service Of The Entire Year!" in a script font.

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THANK YOU TO ALL
Who Helped Make HBC's
Children's Christmas Workshop
A GREAT SUCCESS!



Is Hilton Baptist Church on Your Christmas Gift List?

As we come to the end of 2019, we have been blessed with both special provisions and special needs. To meet our budget projections, we are believing for a generous outpouring of offerings before December 31st.

As with any older building structure, we are anticipating special needs in our heating and air conditioning systems. Our current estimates for repair and needed replacement of one of our sanctuary AC units is around \$17,000. We expect this significant expenditure to be made before the summer of 2020.

But God has been good to us in 2019! Even when we were challenged to pay our regular budgetary needs, we never cut back in ministry and outreach. We continued to plant seed and trusted God for the harvest.

So we celebrate with joy the conclusion of our first 100 years as a church and are now anticipating with faith and excitement the next 100 years! Christmas is a time when we remember how God poured His very best into the poverty of our humanity. And because He gave the very best gift He could give, we celebrate our salvation with joy today.

What would God have you do to honor Him as 2019 comes to an end? The faith we as a church are willing to demonstrate in December will help set the goals we can aim for in 2020. The harvest of our future is made possible by the seeds of our faith and financial gifts we sow now – Let's celebrate all God has done for us at Christmas by doing all we can for Him!



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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!

I WANT TO GET GOD SOMETHING AWESOME FOR CHRISTMAS THIS YEAR, BUT WHAT DO YOU GET THE GUY WHO MADE EVERYTHING?

12-07-2012